

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God’s holy and powerful word. Also,

- ✦ Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- ✦ We love families! Your children are welcome in our service. Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children’s bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- ✦ Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- ✦ If you want to review or share today’s service, you can find it on our website.
- ✦ For upcoming events and activities, “like” us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY’S THEME:
EASTER BLESSINGS THROUGH THE WORD

Worship Participants

LiturgistPastor Brian Adams
Preacher Pastor Jacob Hoff
OrganistMiss Heather Schmidt

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE
THE COMMON SERVICE WITH COMMUNION
Christian Worship pg. 15

THE OPENING HYMN “Rejoice in God”
Christian Worship Supplement #733



1 Re - joice in God! Let trum-pets sound In wit-ness to the world a -
2 Re - joice in God, the God of grace, And come with thanks be - fore his
3 Re - joice in God whose on - ly Son A fall - en world's sal - va - tion
4 Re - joice in God and for him build A liv - ing tem - ple, Spir - it -
5 Re - joice in God! Your voic - es raise In hon - or, bless - ing, love, and

round, His faith - ful-ness pro - claim; Who led his peo - ple
face For all his ten - der care; Whose mer - cy meets us
won And broke the sin - ner's chain. He came in love to
filled, Of ev - er - last - ing worth; A church u - nit - ed,
praise To his e - ter - nal throne; That ev - 'ry heart, with

by the hand And brought them to their prom - ised land That
in our need, Whose Word of Life is life in - deed, On
seek and save When for us all his life he gave, And
true and strong, Where all who love the Lord be - long, And
one ac - cord, And ev - 'ry tongue may tell a - broad The

all the earth should un - der - stand The great-ness of his name.
whom, in Christ, our spir - its feed, Who loves to an - swer prayer.
then from cross and death and grave Tri - um - phant rose a - gain.
find in him their strength and song The joy of all the earth.
lov - ing kind - ness of the Lord And make his glo - ry known.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



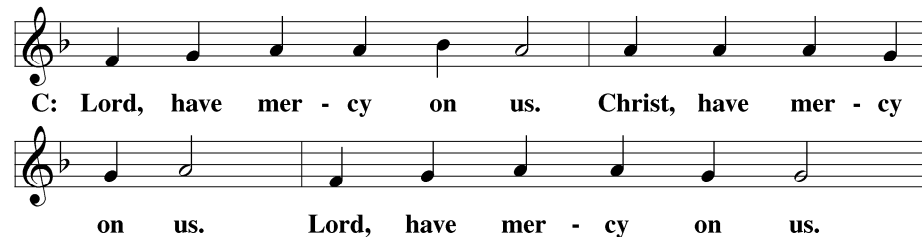
THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie



P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis






God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;
 you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Spirit,
 are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

Please be Seated

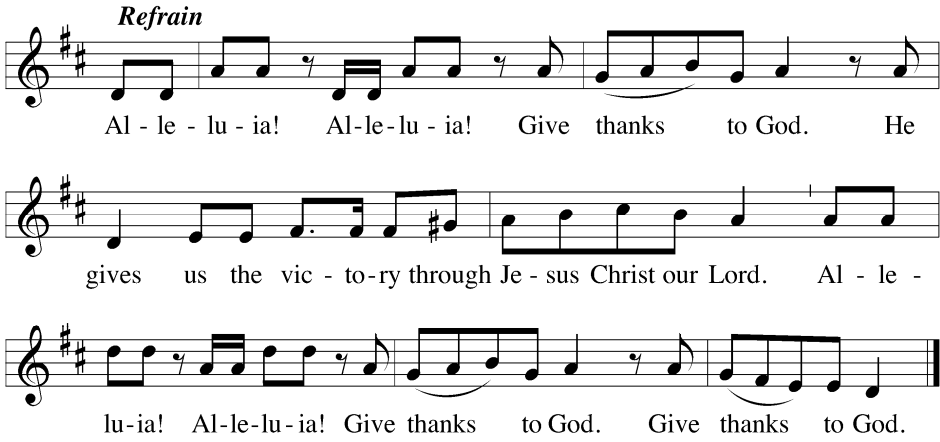
THE FIRST LESSON Acts 4:8-12

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: “Rulers and elders of the people!⁹ If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed,¹⁰ then know this, you

and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed.¹¹ Jesus is
 ““the stone you builders rejected,
 which has become the cornerstone.’
¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.”

THE PSALM OF THE DAYPsalm 118
Christian Worship Supplement pg. 57

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! Give thanks to God. He
 gives us the vic - to-ry through Je - sus Christ our Lord. Al - le -
 lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Give thanks to God. Give thanks to God.

Psalm Tone



The LORD is my strength and my song;
 he has become my salvation.
 “The LORD’S right hand is lifted high;
 the LORD’S right hand has done mighty things!”
 I will not die but live,
 and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

Refrain

Psalm continues on next page

I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.


The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;
the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,**


**as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! Give thanks to God. He
gives us the vic - to-ry through Je - sus Christ our Lord. Al - le -
lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Give thanks to God. Give thanks to God.

Psalm Tone



THE SECOND LESSON..... 2 Corinthians 2:12-3:6

Now when I went to Troas to preach the gospel of Christ and found that the Lord had opened a door for me, ¹³I still had no peace of mind, because I did not find my brother Titus there. So I said goodbye to them and went on to Macedonia.

¹⁴But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere. ¹⁵For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. ¹⁶To the one we are an aroma that brings death; to the other, an aroma that brings life. And who is equal to such a task? ¹⁷Unlike so many, we do not peddle the word of God for profit. On the contrary, in Christ we speak before God with sincerity, as those sent from God.

^{3:1} Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, like some people, letters of recommendation to you or from you? ²You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everyone. ³You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

⁴Such confidence we have through Christ before God. ⁵Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God. ⁶He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant—not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Our hearts were burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us. Alleluia! (*Luke 24:32*)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... Luke 24:36-49



While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

³⁷They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.”

⁴⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, “Do you have anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate it in their presence.

⁴⁴He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.”

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”



THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be Seated

THE HYMN OF THE DAY.....“This Joyful Eastertide”
Christian Worship #160

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and
2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Je - sus crossed the
3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son

sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,
riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill
slum - ber Till trump from east to west

Has sprung to life this mor - row.
My pass - ing soul de - liv - er.
Shall wake the dead in num - ber.

Refrain

Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst his three - day
pris - on, Our faith had been in vain: But
now is Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -
ris - en; But now is Christ a - ris - en.

THE SERMON 2 Corinthians 2:12-3:6
“Stinky Christians Sharing a Smelly Message”

Please Stand

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

Please be Seated

THE OFFERING
(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

Musical notation for the hymn "O Christ, Lamb of God". It consists of two staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody is: C4 (quarter), O4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B-flat4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;" are written below. The second staff continues the melody: C4 (quarter), B-flat4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (half), F4 (quarter), E4 (half). The lyrics "have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God," are written below. The third staff continues: C4 (quarter), B-flat4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (half), F4 (quarter), E4 (half). The lyrics "you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us." are written below. The fourth staff continues: C4 (quarter), B-flat4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (half), F4 (quarter), E4 (half). The lyrics "O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;" are written below. The fifth staff continues: C4 (quarter), B-flat4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (half), F4 (quarter), E4 (half). The lyrics "grant us your peace. A - men." are written below.

Please be Seated

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Today we celebrate the Lord’s Supper. The Lord’s Supper is a miracle. By God’s power, the Lord’s body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord’s Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord’s Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our relationship with fellow believers. Therefore, we practice “close communion.” We invite all who are members of St. Paul’s or visitors who belong to our WELS fellowship to receive the Lord’s Supper with us. If you would like to learn more about being a member of our family at St. Paul’s, please feel free to contact one of the pastors.

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMN “Christ Is Our Cornerstone”
Christian Worship #528

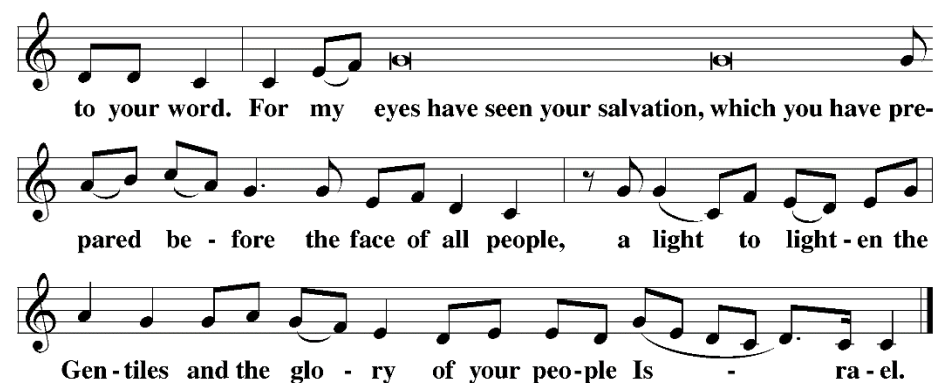
Musical notation for the hymn "Christ Is Our Cornerstone". It consists of five staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody is: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone; On him a - lone we" are written below. The second staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "2 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal - lowed courts shall" are written below. The third staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "3 Here, gra - cious God, do now And ev - er - more draw" are written below. The fourth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "4 Here may we gain from heav’n The grace which we im -" are written below. The fifth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "build. With his true saints a - lone The courts of" are written below. The sixth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "ring! Our voic - es we will raise The Three in" are written below. The seventh staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "near; Ac - cept each faith - ful vow And all your" are written below. The eighth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "plore, And may that grace, once giv’n, Be with us" are written below. The ninth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "heav’n are filled. On his great love Our hopes we" are written below. The tenth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "One to sing And thus pro - claim In joy - ful" are written below. The eleventh staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "chil - dren hear, And more and more On those who" are written below. The twelfth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "ev - er - more Un - til that day When all the" are written below. The thirteenth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove." are written below. The fourteenth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "song, Both loud and long, That glo - rious name." are written below. The fifteenth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "pray Each ho - ly day Your bless - ing pour." are written below. The sixteenth staff continues: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "blest To end - less rest Are called a - way!" are written below.

Please Stand

SONG OF SIMEON

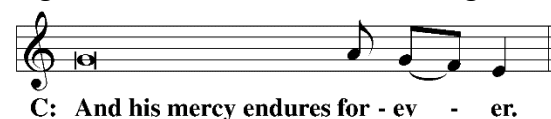
Nunc Dimittis

Musical notation for the hymn "Song of Simeon". It consists of a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody is: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (half). The lyrics "C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing" are written below.



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

CLOSING PRAYER


P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper.
We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love
for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

THE BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Please be Seated

THE CLOSING HYMN..... "May the Peace of God" *Christian Worship Supplement #745*



May the peace of God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther, And the
May this peace which pas - ses un - der - stand - ing, And this
grace of Christ the ri - sen Son, And the fel - low ship of God the
grace which makes us what we are, And this fel - low - ship of his Com
Refrain
Spir - it Keep our hearts and minds with - in his love. And to
mun - ion Make us one in spir - it and in heart.
him be__ praise for his glo - rious reign From the depth of__ earth to the
heights of heav'n. We de - clare the__ name of the
Lamb once slain - Christ e - ter - nal, the King of kings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LWMS DOOR COLLECTION: We collected \$451.00 in our door collection last weekend for Lutheran Women’s Missionary Society. Thank you for your support!

MARY & MARTHA SOCIETY: Please join us on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 when Mr. Clarence Jenkins, from WELS Kingdom Workers, will give a presentation about their work with setting up sanitation systems in Southeast Asia and their opportunity to share the gospel as well. Mary and Martha will also be presenting Mr. Jenkins with a check for \$1,200.00 that St. Paul’s members have donated to the Clean Water Project in recent months. This is in addition to \$750.00 that was already donated in December for one complete toilet/shower unit. Thank you for your generosity in supporting this project. Join us on Tuesday to hear more about how your money is being used.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP HELP: We are looking for help for our Vacation Bible Camp this summer! Please see today’s insert for more information on how you can help. Vacation Bible Camp is July 9-13th.

SCHOOL PLAYS: All are invited to attend our school plays on Friday and Saturday, April 27th & 28th. Kindergarten will be performing their play “How Does Your Garden Grow?” on Friday, April 27th at 6:00 PM (doors open at 5:00 PM) followed by “I Was a Teenage Nerd”, presented by Grades 6-8. On Saturday, April 28th, Grades 6-8 will have a second showing of “I Was a Teenage Nerd” at 6:30 PM. Come and enjoy dinner before the show on Saturday – served from 5:00-6:00 PM.

PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR: Join us at Power Hour two Thursdays a month! Open to children ages 0-4 with their caregivers. Meet us in the church narthex from 10:45-11:45 AM on the following dates: April 26th and May 10th & 24th. There are also extra copies on the narthex counter to pass along to a friend!

LUTHERAN CHORALE CONCERT: The Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee under the direction of Mary Prange will present its 60th anniversary concert on Sunday, April 22nd at 1:30 and 4:00 PM at Grace Lutheran Church (1209 N. Broadway – Milwaukee). The organ prelude presented by Lynn Kozlowski will begin twenty minutes prior to the concert. The concert

will include music for choir, orchestra, organ and congregational singing.
www.lutheranchorale.org

VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS FOR THIS WEEK (April 15 & 16)

8:00 AM – Beverly Garves
10:30 AM – Richard & Betty Patin
6:30 PM – Richard & Kathy Hinz

GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK (April 22 & 23)

8:00 AM – Pete & Sherry Kosovich
10:30 AM – Ron & Jaime Petricek; Austin, Arthur & Aaron
6:30 PM – {sign up to be a greeter!}

USHERS FOR APRIL

8:00 AM – TEAM #4 – Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser
10:30 AM – TEAM #8 – Walter Falkowski, Terry Ganyo, Jacob Marciniak, Fred Socha
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

ALTAR GUILD

Apr 11-17 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer
Apr 18-24 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

Apr 15: Set-up – Tony Tripoli & Connie Myer, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug
Apr 22: Set-up – Pete & Sherry Kosovich, Clean-up – Chris & Naomi Hathaway

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 15

Worship Service with Communion8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Bible Information Class.....9:15 AM
Worship Service with Communion10:30 AM

Monday, April 16
Worship Service with Communion 6:30 PM

Tuesday, April 17
PSCIC 6:00 PM
Mary Martha 6:30 PM
Board of Spiritual Growth 7:00 PM

Wednesday, April 18
Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM
NO MEN’S OPEN GYM

Friday, April 20
School Devotion 8:30 AM

Saturday, April 21
School Cleaning 9:00 AM

Sunday, April 22
Worship Service 8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Bible Information Class..... 9:15 AM
Worship Service 10:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week
Attendance: 8:00 AM – 110, Communed – 103
10:30 AM – 120, Communed –
6:30 PM – 37, Communed – 34
Total Attendance – 267
Total Communed – 137+
Sunday Bible Class – 17