

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:
THE RISEN CHRIST IS OUR GOOD SHEPHERD

Worship Participants

- Liturgist**..... Pastor Jacob Hoff
- Preacher**..... Pastor Brian Adams
- Organist** Mrs. Marie Becker
- Grades 5-6 Teachers**..... Mr. Randy Willms & Mr. Lyle Timm
- Guitarists** Mr. Lyle Timm & Miss Claire Olson

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVICE OF THE WORD
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THE OPENING HYMN **“I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb”**
Christian Worship #432

1 I am Je - sus’ lit - tle lamb; Ev - er glad at heart I
 2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my staff and
 3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the shep-herd’s

am, For my shep - herd gent - ly guides me, Knows my
 stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me, In - to
 lamb? And when my short life is end - ed, By his

needs and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - ’ry
 pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, he
 an - gel hosts at - tend - ed, He shall fold me

day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
 bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
 to his breast, There with - in his arms to rest.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

- P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C:** **And also with you.**

HOLY BAPTISM 10:30 AM ONLY

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

C: Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

P: As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

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.

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.

C: Amen.

P: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

P: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Bennett Robert Parato, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Please Stand

EXHORTATION

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Bennett may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: Yes, as God gives me strength.

P: Let us pray.

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Bennett and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he

may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

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8:00 AM & 6:30 PM services continue below – Confession of Sins

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

* THE GOOD *
shepherd
* LAYS DOWN *
his life
* FOR THE *
sheep

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

OH, TASTE AND SEE

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is eter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

Please be Seated

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 4:23-33

²³ On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said to them. ²⁴ When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. ²⁵ You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David:

"Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?
²⁶ The kings of the earth rise up
and the rulers band together
against the Lord
and against his anointed one."

²⁷ Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. ²⁸ They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. ²⁹ Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. ³⁰ Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."

³¹ After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

³² All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. ³³ With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 23

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The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.



The LORD is my shepherd,*
I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;*
he leads me beside quiet waters.

He restores my soul;*
he guides me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,*
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Refrain


You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.*
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Psalm continues on next page

Surely goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,*
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

**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



The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

Psalm tone



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THE SECOND LESSON.....1 John 3:1,2

^{3:1} See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I am the good shepherd: I know my sheep and my sheep know me. Alleluia. (*John 14:10*)

**GRADES 5-6 ANTHEM (8:00 AM ONLY) “The Lord is My Shepherd”
by Virginia K. Pedulla**

The congregation is invited to join in singing the 3rd verse

Students:

*The Lord is my shepherd.
I shall not want.
He leadeth me to green pastures.
I shall not want.
He maketh me to walk with Him beside the quiet waters.
His hand will ever lead me wherever I go;
And surely goodness and mercy will always follow me,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord eternally.*

Students:

*The Lord is my shepherd.
I shall not want.
He leadeth me to green pastures.
I shall not want.
He maketh me to walk with Him beside the quiet waters.
His hand will ever lead me wherever I go;
And surely goodness and mercy will always follow me,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord eternally.*

Students and Congregation:

*The Lord is my shepherd.
I shall not want.
He leadeth me to green pastures.
I shall not want.
He maketh me to walk with Him beside the quiet waters.
His hand will ever lead me wherever I go;
And surely goodness and mercy will always follow me,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord eternally.*

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... John 10:11-18

¹¹ "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³ The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷ The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be Seated

CHILDREN'S TALK..... 10:30 AM

THE HYMN OF THE DAY..... "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

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1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My
3 Con - fused and fool - ish oft I strayed, But
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With
5 You spread a ta - ble in my sight, A

good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
Sav - ior gent - ly leads me; And where the ver - dant
yet in love he sought me And on his shoul - der
you, dear Lord, be - side me; Your rod and staff my
ban - quet here be - stow - ing; Your oil of wel - come,

I am his, And he is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feeds me.
gent - ly laid And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still, Your cross be - fore to guide me.
my de - light; My cup is o - ver - flow - ing!

6 And so through all the length of days
Your goodness fails me never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise
Within your house forever!

THE SERMON John 10:11-18

Please Stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be Seated

THANKSGIVING

THE OFFERING

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

(After the offering is brought to the altar, the congregation stands and sings verse 1 of Hymn 483)

1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring you now;
 Use them your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill.
 To - kens of love and pledg - es they shall be
 That our whole life is of - fered to your will.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Please be Seated

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN "Yours Forever, God of Love" *Christian Worship #426*

1 Yours for - ev - er, God of love! Hear us
 2 Yours for - ev - er, oh, how blest They who
 3 Yours for - ev - er, Lord of life! Shield us
 4 Yours for - ev - er! Shep - herd, keep All your
 5 Yours for - ev - er! You our guide, All our
 from your throne a - bove; Yours for - ev - er
 find in you their rest! Sav - ior, Guard - ian,
 through our earth - ly strife. You, the life, the
 weak and trem - bling sheep Safe - ly in your
 needs by you sup - plied, All our sins by
 may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty!
 heav'n - ly Friend, Oh, de - fend us to the end.
 truth, the way, Guide us to the realms of day.
 ten - der care; Let us all your good - ness share.
 you for - giv'n, Lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.

Please Stand

P: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



Please be Seated



CLOSING HYMN“The Lord’s My Shepherd; I’ll Not Want”

Christian Worship #360



1 The Lord’s my shep - herd; I’ll not want. He
2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain And
3 Yea, though I walk in death’s dark vale, Yet
4 My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed In
5 Good - ness and mer - cy, all my life, Shall



me to walk doth make With - in the paths of
will I fear no ill; For thou art with me,
pres - ence of my foes; My head thou dost with
sure - ly fol - low me, And in God’s house for -



lead - eth me The qui - et wa - ters by.
right - eous - ness, E’en for his own name’s sake.
and thy rod And staff me com - fort still.
oil a - noint, And my cup o - ver - flows.
ev - er - more My dwell - ing - place shall be.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISM: Today in the 10:30 AM service Bennett Robert Parato will be received into God's kingdom through holy baptism. Bennett is the son of Jon & Nicole Parato. Serving as his godparents are Richard & Heather Jefts. May the Lord bless this family as they grow together in Christ.

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Don & Marge Gebert in thanksgiving for their wedding anniversary.

YOUTH GROUP: Our next Youth Group meeting will be a movie night here at St. Paul's tonight, Sunday, April 22nd from 6:00-8:00 PM. Please bring your choice of snacks, drinks or dessert to share.

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.

ST. PAUL'S 2018-2019 KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT: Incoming and prospective kindergarten families are invited next Friday, April 27th beginning at 8:30 AM to see our play and learn a little more about the kindergarten program at St. Paul's. Available parents will have an opportunity to hear from Mr. Schulmeister and Mrs. Manske and ask any questions. The whole 4K class will be attending the show! Please let the office know if you are interested in attending and learning more about our program. office@stpaulsfranklin.org or (414) 421-1930.

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.

SCHOOL PLAY DRESS REHEARSAL: If you aren't able to attend the plays next Friday or Saturday, please feel free to attend on dress rehearsal on Thursday, April 26th at 9:30 AM. The Kindergarten play will be performed first, followed by the upper grade play.

GALA NEWS: Thank you to everyone that attended our Gala & Silent Auction last Saturday, and to those that bid from home! Thanks to your support and generosity we were able to raise over \$32,000! This money will be used to cover our technology costs for the next two years, as well as purchase two pianos, teacher laptops and STEM kits for the classrooms! We couldn't have done it without you and look forward to seeing you again in two years at our next Gala!

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!

WLHS JOB OPENING: Wisconsin Lutheran High School is searching for a Director of Residential Life. This position is responsible for the residential life of on-campus students and the running of the residential facility. In addition, this position would be responsible for planning and running summer and winter programs for international students. Candidates should have experience with an educational setting preferably with international students. They must also be a member in good standing of the WELS. Interested parties should submit a resume to Jodi Lunow at jodi.lunow@wlhs.org. Resumes will be accepted until Monday, May 7, 2018. This position would begin on Monday, July 2, 2018.

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 21 & 22)

8:00 AM – Pete & Sherry Kosovich

10:30 AM – Ron & Jaime Petricek; Austin, Arthur & Aaron

6:30 PM – {sign up to be a greeter!}

GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK (April 29 & 30)

- 8:00 AM – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen
- 10:30 AM – Tim & Denise Rasmussen
- 6:30 PM – Donna LaBlanc

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 18-24 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer
- Apr 25-May 1 – TEAM #4 – Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

- Apr 22: Set-up – Pete & Sherry Kosovich, Clean-up – Chris & Naomi Hathaway
- Apr 29: Set-up – Don & Marge Gebert, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 22

- Worship Service 8:00 AM
- Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Bible Information Class..... 9:15 AM
- Worship Service 10:30 AM
- Youth Group Meeting 6:00 PM

Monday, April 23

- Worship Service 6:30 PM

Tuesday, April 24

- PSCIC 6:00 PM

Wednesday, April 25

NO MEN'S OPEN GYM

Thursday, April 26

- School Play Dress Rehearsal 9:30 AM
- Preschool Power Hour 10:45 AM
- Christian Family Solutions Ladies Afternoon Guild Meeting 11:00 AM

Friday, April 27

- School Devotion 1:00 PM
- Kindergarten & Upper Grade Plays..... 6:00 PM

Saturday, April 28

- Play Dinner 5:00 PM
- Upper Grade Play 6:30 PM

Sunday, April 29

- 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 – 52, Communed – 51
 10:30 AM – 79, Communed – 50
 6:30 PM – 64, Communed – 51
 Total Attendance – 195
 Total Communed – 152
 Sunday Bible Class – 17, Sunday School – 15