5th Weekend of Easter

April 24th & 25th, 2016

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V elcome! 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,

- t Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- # We love families! Your children are welcome in our service no matter how much noise they make. 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.
- t Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- $\ensuremath{^{\prime}}$ If you want to review or share today's service, you can find it on our website.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY'S THEME: HE LIVES TO BE MY GOOD SHEPHERD

Worship Participants

Liturgist	Pastor Brian Adams
Preacher	Pastor Jacob Hoff
Organist	Mrs. Marie Becker

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OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

THE COMMON SERVICE WITH COMMUNION

Christian Worship pg. 15

THE OPENING HYMN	"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"
	Christian Worship #374



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



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.

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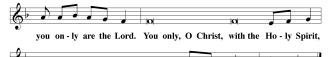


PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

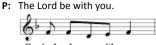
GLORY BE TO GOD







THE PRAYER OF THE DAY



C: And al - so with you.

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.

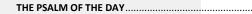


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THE FIRST LESSONEzekiel 34:25-31

I will make a covenant of peace with them and rid the land of savage beasts so that they may live in the wilderness and sleep in the forests in safety. ²⁶I will make them and the places surrounding my hill a blessing. I will send down showers in season; there will be showers of blessing.²⁷ The trees will yield their fruit and the ground will yield its crops; the people will be secure in their land. They will know that I am the Lord, when I break the bars of their yoke and rescue them from the hands of those who enslaved them. ²⁸ They will no longer be plundered by the nations, nor will

wild animals devour them. They will live in safety, and no one will make them afraid. ²⁹ I will provide for them a land renowned for its crops, and they will no longer be victims of famine in the land or bear the scorn of the nations. ³⁰Then they will know that I, the Lord their God, am with them and that they, the Israelites, are my people, declares the Sovereign Lord. ³¹You are my sheep, the sheep of my pasture, and I am your God, declares the Sovereign Lord.



Christian Worship Hymn #360

..Psalm 23



After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

¹¹ All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

¹³Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?"

¹⁴I answered, "Sir, you know."

And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ Therefore, they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶ 'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,'¹ nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷ For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; 'he will lead them to springs of living water.' 'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'"

t no one could Refrain:

CHOIR ANTHEM ...

Have faith in me. I will go forth to prepare a place for you, Then I'll come back to take you with me, That where I am, you may also be.

In God's house there are many places for you alone to dwell in safety. You know the way to where I'll lead you, If you are lost, I will show the way. {Refrain}

I am the way, the truth and the life, Only through me can you know what I know. If you knew me, you would know the Father, If you see me you see your God. {Refrain}

The words I speak are not only of myself, It is your God who lives within me. If you believe that your God and I are one I will provide when you call my name. {Refrain}

Please Stand

"Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled"

Music by David Nass

John 10:22-30

THE GOSPEL LESSON......



Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade.²⁴ The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

¹ The angel speaking to John quotes from a promise of God found in Isaiah 49:10, and in the next sentence from Isaiah 25:8 – a promise the saints in heaven are enjoying right now. 7

²⁵ Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, ²⁶ but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one."



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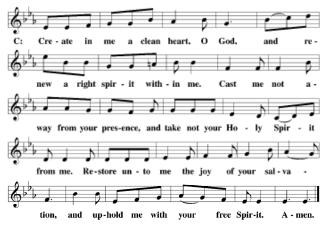
I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

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.

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THE HYMN OF THE DAY
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 Revelation 7:9-17
Please Stand
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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 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.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE



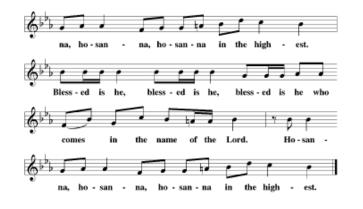
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

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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, and we praise you especially for the glorious resurrection of your Son, the true Passover Lamb, who by his sacrifice took away the sins of the world and by his resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY





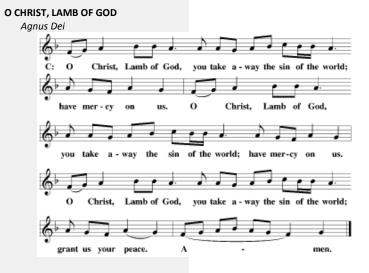
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.





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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 "Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face"

My Lord, I See You Face to Face" Christian Worship #315

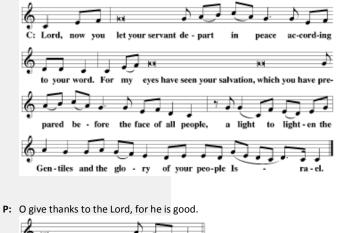


6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above, Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy. The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Please Stand

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



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.

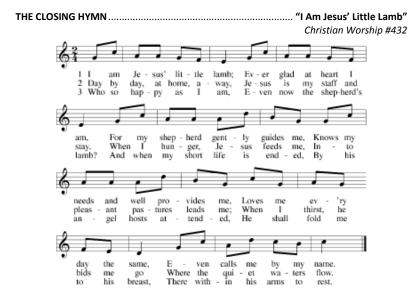


THE BLESSING

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.



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Announcements

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Don & Marge Gebert in celebration of their 61st wedding anniversary.

ASCENSION DAY WORSHIP SERVICE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL: As part of our ongoing 150th Anniversary Celebration – please join us for an old fashioned ice cream social after Ascension Service on Thursday, May 5th. The worship service begins at 6:30pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our many blessings and enjoy some fellowship. Hope you will join us!

CHURCH LEADERSHIP BIBLE CLASS: There will be a Church Leadership Bible Class this Thursday, April 28th at 6:30 PM.

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, and sign up! Vacation Bible Camp is July 25-29th.

150TH UPDATE: What a difference the new organ makes as we worship and celebrate what the Lord has given us! We are very close to our goal – only \$2,827.00 to go! There are contribution envelopes in the Narthex. Any contribution is welcome and needed!

CONFIRMATION CLASS PICTURES WANTED: As part of St. Paul's 150th Anniversary Celebration, we would like to collect as many confirmation class pictures as possible. If we are able to get most or many of them, they may be framed for permanent display. We already have pictures from 1994 to present. We need almost all from 1993 and as far back as possible. Pictures will be scanned and returned to you. Please label pictures with your name and confirmation class year. We would like to begin collecting these immediately. Pictures can be passed on to the pastors or turned into the church/school office. Thank you for your help.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY 2016 CONVENTION: Hosted by the LWMS Chicago Area Circuit, our 53rd Annual LWMS convention, under the theme: 'Christ Alone - Our Cornerstone', will be held June 23-26, 2016 at the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, IL. Besides many missionary presentations, you can renew your faith through

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worship, devotions, workshops, and Christian fellowship. Registrations are still being accepted. Convention informational booklets, agendas, and registration forms are located in our church narthex. You may also get more information on the LWMS Website at: www.lwms.org – then click onto the: '2016 Annual Convention' box in the center of that webpage. If you have never been to an LWMS Convention before, NOW IS THE TIME – as it is just over Wisconsin's southern border!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Thanks to all who have contributed Box Tops in the container in the narthex. Church members have turned in a total of 427, adding to our total for the school year making it just over 9800. That's \$980 easy money. Keep bringing them in!

WLHS WORK DAYS: The student body from WLHS is here to help with any yard work or outdoor spring cleaning. A team of 4-6 students will be available on either a Saturday or Sunday throughout the day, whatever works for you. Work Day weekends are from Saturday, April 9 until Sunday, May 15. Work may include: window washing, yard work, cleaning, painting, etc. Donations will be given to the WLHS mission project for the year "Generating Pure Love." Please e-mail workday@wlhs.org or call <u>262-385-4811</u> with the details of the job you would like completed and the dates you are available.

NPH EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: NPH is seeking several individuals for the part-time position of Customer Service Representative. The individuals chosen for these positions will contribute to a service culture of Christian witness and ministry. This person will serve customers in the NPH store, on the phones, and at conventions. As part of providing effective, personalized and memorable service, these individuals will help customers find materials they are looking for and recommend additional relevant resources. The individuals chosen for these positions will have prior experience in providing outstanding customer service through one or more of the sales channels referred to in this notice. These positions will average 20 hours per week and will include weekdays, Saturdays and occasional holidays. Hours worked may vary. For more information and application instructions go to www.nph.net/employment.

CRAFTERS WANTED: The "Colors of Christmas" Craft Fair will be held at Wisconsin Lutheran High School on Saturday, November 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Interested crafters may contact Sandy Krueger at <u>414-870-8304</u> or at <u>craft.fair@wlhs.org</u> for information. Applications and more information available at <u>wlhs.org/news</u>.

REELING IN THE FUTURE: Reeling in the Future (formerly WLHS' Fishers of Men tournament) is hosting a fishing tournament June 4, 2016 on Pewaukee Lake, at the boat launch by Curly's Waterfront and Smokey's West Baitshop. Registration deadline is May 31, 2016. For more information, please check out Reeling in the Future Co. Facebook page or send an e-mail to<u>ReelingintheFuture@earthlink.net</u>. Wisconsin Lutheran High School Car Wash—Come and support Wisconsin Lutheran High School by getting your car washed on Saturday, May 14, from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in the back parking lot of the high school. All donations will go to support WLHS' mission project "Generating Pure Love" for Indonesia and Africa.

WLHS PRISM CONCERT: The WLHS Prism concerts will be held Friday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, May 21 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, May 22 at 2:00 and 7:30 p.m. in the WLHS gymnasium. Enjoy the God-given talents of our student ensembles, solos, duets, choirs and bands. Advance tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Tickets will also be available at the door, \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. Tickets are assigned first come, first served in one of four separate sections. Purchase tickets in person at the WLHS front office to reserve a specific table within a section, or by mail using the ticket order form at www.wlhs.org. For more information, please call 414-453-4567.

ATTENTION COLLEGE JUNIORS & SENIORS: WLHS is seeking to fill two internships for the 2016 summer. Responsibilities include: event planning, phone and e-mail communications, and data entry. Interested students should possess the following qualities: professional and friendly demeanor, organized problem solver with a fearless attitude and willingness to learn. Benefits include: valuable software training, fun work environment, and the once in a life-time experience to mentor under Mission Advancement Director Matt Bilitz. Please e-mail cover letter and resume to nicki.parato@wlhs.org.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (April 24 & 25) 8:00 AM – Randy & Nancy Willms

10:30 AM – Andy Backus 6:30 PM – Dave & Janet Long

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (May 1 & 2)

8:00 AM – Larry & Marion Klug 10:30 AM – Jack & Kathie Klunder 6:30 PM – Joan Shevey

USHERS FOR APRIL

8:00 AM – TEAM #4 – Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser
10:30 AM – TEAM #8 – Nolan Romeis, Kyle Brightsman
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

USHERS FOR MAY

8:00 AM – TEAM #1 – Bob Hille, Larry Stujenske, Josh Ebeling, Philip Becker
10:30 AM – TEAM #5 – Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Bob Dittrich, Gary Eickhorst, Todd Grunze, Dan Mertz, Brett Abramowski
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

ALTAR GUILD:

Apr 13-19 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms	
Apr 20-26 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms	
Apr 27 – May 3 – TEAM #4 – Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek	

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, April 24

Worship Service with Communion	8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	9:15 AM
Bible 101 Class	9:15 AM
Worship Service with Communion	10:30 AM

Monday, April 25	
Worship Service with Communion	
Fuesday, April 26	
PSCIC	
Fhursday, April 28	
WLCFS Guild Meeting	
Bible 101 Class	
Church Leadership Bible Class6:30 PM	
Board of Outreach7:30 PM	
riday, April 29	
School Devotion	
Sunday, May 1	
Worship Service with Communion	
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School9:15 AM	
Bible 101 Class	

Attendance: 8:00 AM - 111, 10:30 AM - 224, 6:30 PM - 46

Total Attendance – 381 Sunday Bible Class – 20, Sunday School – 9 Bible 101 Class – 14

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Statistics – Last Week

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