Fourth Sunday of Easter April 26 & 27, 2015

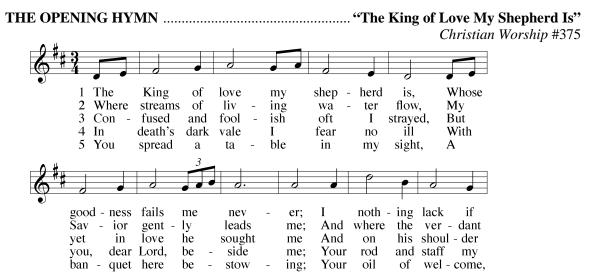


Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located in each of the pews. Please come and worship with us again!

Our Worship Service

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WELCOME



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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!

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–77, alt.
Tune: St. Columba (87 87 Iambic) Irish melody, c. 18th century, alt.

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.

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.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

OH, TASTE AND SEE



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.



Please be Seated

HYMN: BLESSED ASSURANCE (8:00 & 10:30 AM) Soloist vs. 1 & 2; Congregation vs 3

1. Oh, what a fore taste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of his Spirt, washed in his blood.

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

Joyful confession, I am his own!
 Following Jesus, I'm never alone.
 Born of his Spirit, I am restored,
 Strengthened to serve my Savior and Lord.

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

3. Loving submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with his goodness, kept in his love.

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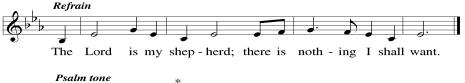
When the church in Jerusalem heard that Peter and John were ordered not to preach Christ, they prayed that God would give his apostles the boldness to speak the Word to the world, even in the face of danger. The Lord answered their prayer.

²³On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them. ²⁴When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. ²⁵You 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? ²⁶The

kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against his Anointed One.' ²⁷Indeed 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. ²⁸They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. ²⁹Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. ³⁰Stretch out your hand to heal and perform miraculous signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus." ³¹After 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. ³²All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had. ³³With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all.

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

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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 re'stores 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.

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

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days 'of my life,* and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son* and to the Holy 'Spirit, as it was in the be'ginning,* is now, and will be forever. 'Amen.

Refrain

THE SECOND LESSON 1 John 3:1,2

The marvelous love of God has made us his children. We cannot fully grasp the magnitude of our inheritance, but we will when Jesus returns.

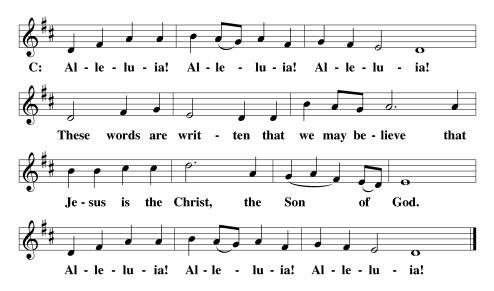
¹How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when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

HYMN: ALLELUIA (8:00 & 10:30 AM); Soloist vs. 1 & 2, Congregation vs. 3 & 4

- 1. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2. He's my Savior, he's my savior!
- 3. I will praise him, I will praise him!
- 4. His is coming, he is coming, Christ the Lord!

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 10:14)



Please Stand

Jesus calls himself the Good Shepherd. In contrast to the hired hands, who abandon the sheep when danger threatens, Jesus lays down his life for his sheep.

¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand is not the shepherd who owns 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. ¹³The 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— ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father — and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I 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. ¹⁷The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life — only to take it up again. ¹⁸No 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."



Please be Seated

THE HYMN OF THE DAY""The Lord's My Shepherd; I'll Not Want" Christian Worship #360 1 The He Lord's shep herd; not want. my 2 My soul he doth re store a gain And 3 Yea, though walk death's dark vale, Yet in 4 My ta ble thou hast fur nish - ed In 5 Good - ness and all life, Shall mer cy, my lie makes me down to tures green: he me to walk doth make With - in the paths will fear no ill; For thou art with pres - ence of my foes; My head thou dost with fol low in God's house for me, The lead eth me et ters right E'en name's sake. eous - ness, for his own thy rod And staff com - fort still. and me oil a - noint, And my cup ver - flows. er - more My dwell - ing place shall

Text: The Psalms of David in Meeter, Edinburgh, 1650.
Tune: BELMONT (CM) William Gardiner, 1770–1853, adapt.

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.

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THE OFFERING

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

THE OFFERING PRAYER

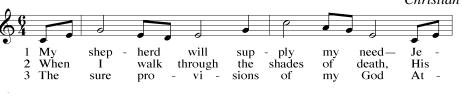
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THE PRAYERS

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.

Please be Seated





Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Tune: RESIGNATION (CM D) A Compilation of Genuine Church Music, Winchester, VA, 1832.

Please Stand

P: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BENEDICTION

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.

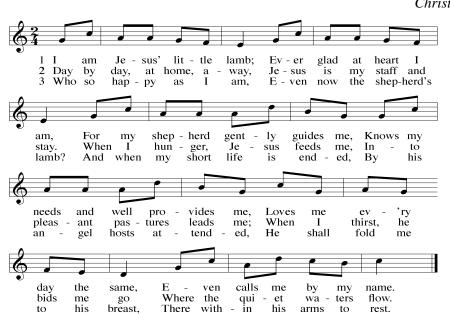
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



Please be Seated

THE CLOSING HYMN "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" Christian Worship # 432



Text: Henrietta L. von Hayn, 1724–82; tr. composite.
Tune: WEIL ICH JESU SCHÄFLEIN BIN (77 88 77) Choralbuch . . . Brüder-Gemeinen, Leipzig, 1784.

Worship Participants

Liturgist and Preacher Pastor Brian Adams Organist Mrs. Sharon Larsen

Announcements

BAPTISMS: Following the 10:30am service today, Harper Elise Fettig, will be received into the family of Jesus through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Harper's parents are Michael and Alicia Fettig. Serving as godparents are Jessica Fettig and James Scalissi.

This past week Thursday, Noah David Manske, was received into the family of Jesus through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Noah's parents are Caleb and Rachel Manske. Serving as sponsors are Joshua Manske and Katie Nitz.

May the Lord continue to bless each of these families as they continue to grow in Christ.

CRAFT ITEMS FOR SALE: WLCFS (Wisconsin Lutheran Christian Family Solutions) will have craft items available for sale in the narthex on Sunday, May 3rd. The proceeds from this sale helps provide funding for services provided by WLCFS, such as counseling services and their in-home care program. The mission of WLCFS is "healing and helping people in need through the ministry of Jesus Christ."

CONFIRMATION & EXAMINATION: The Confirmation Examination will be Tuesday, May 12th at 6:30pm. The Confirmation service will be Sunday, May 17th at 10:00am. Everyone is invited to join us for these services.

ASCENSION DAY WORSHIP: Our Ascension Day worship service will be Thursday, May 14th, at 6:30pm. Please join us that evening as we celebrate Jesus' Ascension to heaven.

PRESCHOOL POWERHOUR: Preschool Power Hour will meet this Friday, May 1st at 10:45 AM.

PASTOR CALL RETURNED: The following letter is from Pastor Lange, whom we called as a second pastor:

"Dear Members of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Thank you for the opportunity and honor you gave to me in extending a call to serve as an associate pastor at your congregation. This call was a blessing to me, providing an opportunity to evaluate my gifts and to consider how I might best put them to use for the good of the Church. I was filled with excitement as I learned about the opportunities St. Paul's has for Gospel ministry and the possibilities that are in front of you as a congregation. After much consideration and prayer as to my place in the work of God's Kingdom, I have decided to return the call that you have extended to me and continue my service at Light of Life. May the Lord bless you as you continue on in the work that God has given to his Church. In Christ, Pastor Daniel Lange."

- **2ND PASTOR CALL MEETING:** On Sunday, May 3rd at 2:30pm there will be a meeting to call a second Pastor. We continue to rely on the Holy Spirit to guide our efforts and bless the ministry of St. Paul's.
- **ALTAR FLOWERS:** The altar flowers this Sunday are donated by Don & Marge Gebert. Don & Marge thank God for 60 years of wedded bliss.
- **KITCHEN REORGANIZATION:** Beginning June 1st the school kitchen will undergo extensive reorganization. If you have any items stored in the kitchen at this time, please remove them prior to June 1st. If the items need to stay in the kitchen, please clearly label them. Any items not claimed will be donated to Southside Ministries.
- 150TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE: St. Paul's was founded in 1865 when a group of German Lutherans, in the township of Franklin, met on September 21, 1865, in the house of H. Sanders on Smith Road (now 51st Street) for the purpose of organizing a new Lutheran congregation. At that meeting, H. Wolter was chosen to be the Chairman and H. Sanders as Secretary. Mr. Wolter would donate the land necessary to build the new church and cemetery. Planning and work on a new church building began shortly after that meeting, and the church would be completed in two months. On November 14, 1865 Pastor Phillip Brenner was called to be the first visiting pastor of St. Paul's. Worship services were held in the house of H. Wolter until the new church would be completed in late 1865.

The Board of Elders would like to form a committee of men and women who would be willing to help plan events related to the upcoming 150th anniversary celebration of St. Paul's congregation. Anyone interested in being part of this committee should contact Pastor Adams or Steve Baade, the chairman of our Board of Elders.

- **SCHOOL PLAYS:** This past Friday evening and Saturday afternoon our children in grades K-4 performed their plays for family and friends. The children did an amazing job and a lot of fun was had by all. Thank you to everyone who helped to make these productions a success!!
- **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** Northwestern Publishing House is looking for an Entry-Level Website Content Coordinator, to assist with an upcoming website redesign project. This is a part-time, temporary position. For more information, a complete job description, and application instructions go to www.nph.net/employment.
- WLHS PRISM CONCERT: The WLHS Prism concerts will be held Friday, May 15 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, May 16 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, May 17 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 atwww.wlhs.org. For more information, please call 414-453-4567.

- WLHS FISHERS OF MEN CLASSIC: Registration is now open for the WLHS 11th annual Fishers of Men Classic fishing tournament held at Smokey's Bait Shop on Pewaukee Lake on Sunday, May 17, 2015 at 5:00 a.m., including worship service. Cost is \$35 per person and includes: lunch, trophies, and a \$20 donation to the WLHS science department. Boat launch fee is an additional cost. Registration can be found online at www.wlhs.org or by contacting Mike Sebald at 414-453-4567 ext. 2262.
- **CRAFTERS NEEDED:** The Colors of Christmas Craft Fair will be held at Wisconsin Lutheran High School on Saturday, November 21, 2015. Interested crafters or volunteers are asked to contact Sandy Krueger at craft.fair@wlhs.org for additional information.
- WLHS WORK DAYS: Now that spring is here, it's time for some spring cleaning! Consider "hiring" WLHS students for a day or a few hours for a "work day" and donate appropriately in lieu of paying the students. All money raised will go to WLHS' mission project "Ahora en Sonora," to build a church in Mexico. Work may include: window washing, yard work, cleaning, painting, etc. Those interested should contact Roger Festerling by e-mail to workday@wlhs.org or by calling414-453-4567 ext. 2222. The last three weekends in May are your last chance to hire these students. A special weekday team can be negotiated if a weekend will not work for you.
- WISCONSIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL CAR WASH: Come and support Wisconsin Lutheran High School by getting your car washed on Sunday, May 3, from 12:30-4:00 p.m. in the back parking lot of the high school. All donations will go to support WLHS' mission project to help build a church in Sonora, Mexico.
- WISCONSIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL SERVICE OF DEDICATION: Join us for a service of dedication on today at 1:30 p.m. as Wisconsin Lutheran High School gives thanks and praise for the completed building expansion. The service will take place in the auditorium with guest preacher Pastor Aaron Christie (Trinity, Waukesha). An open house with tours, appetizers, and presentations in the new spaces will be held from 2:30-5:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.
- **THE WISCONSIN SINGERS CONCERT:** Wisconsin Lutheran High School is excited to again host The Wisconsin Singers, a premier group of students who have auditioned from across the state and who entertain more than 40,000 annually with their stellar vocals,

stunning choreography and spectacular big band sound. Wisconsin Singers will present a concert of Broadway show tunes in the auditorium at Wisconsin Lutheran High School **today** at 6:00 p.m. Tickets cost \$15 for adults, and \$10 for students and seniors, and can be purchased at WLHS or by calling 414-453-4567. The concert will include the Wisco Kids show choir and Inspiration vocal jazz ensemble.

SAVE THE DATES: Our Vacation Bible Camp dates for this summer have been set with the staff from Camp Phillip. Our VBC program will be on July 6-10 from 9am – 3pm. Registration forms and help forms will be available at a later date. We just wanted to let everyone know what the dates are for this summer.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK April 26 & 27)

8:00 AM-10:30 AM-6:30 PM - Randy & Nance Willms Tammy Sunjic; Simun Dave & Janet Long

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (May 3 & 4)

8:00 AM- Tim & Denise Rasmussen; Abigail & Anne

10:30 AM- Jack & Kathy Klunder 6:30 PM- Richard & Kathy Hinz

USHERS FOR APRIL:

8:00 AM TEAM #4-Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser 10:30 AM TEAM #8-David Destrampe, Daniel Desrampe, Paul Larsen 6:30 PM TEAM #9-Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

USHERS FOR MAY:

8:00 AM TEAM #1-Bob Hille, Larry Stujenski, 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:

April 15-28-TEAM #1; Sherry Kosovich, Gale Bartow, Beverly Garves April 29-May 5-TEAM #2; Jane Koplein, Karen Hille, Kelly Cannistra

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, April 26

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Worship Service	8:00 AM
Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	
Worship Service	
Fettig Baptism	

Monday, April 27 Worship Service	6:30 PM
Tuesday, April 28 PSCIC	6:00 PM
Wednesday, April 29 Senior Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
Thursday, April 30 Adult Handbells	6:30 PM
Friday, May 1 School Devotion Preschool Power Hour	8:30 AM 10:45 AM
Sunday, May 3 Worship Service with Communion Adult Bible Study/Sunday School Worship Service Pastor Call Meeting.	9:15 AM 10:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 am-93, Communed-82; 10:30 am-310, Communed-131; 6:30 pm-38, Communed-24; Total Attendance 441; Total Communed-237; Sunday School-6; Bible Class-31

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