



Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ Fourth Sunday of Easter ✠

May 3, 2020

Today is sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday." Jesus is called the "gate" of the sheep in today's gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God's tender care to all creation.

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world. We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

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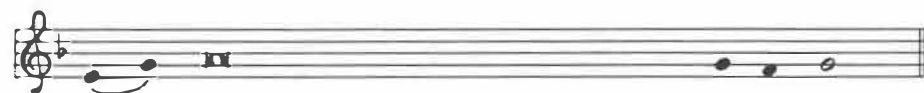
Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

Welcome

Call to Worship

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

Paschal Blessing



As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.



Al - le - lu - ia.

On the first day of the week at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; and as they were frightened and bowed their face to the ground, the men said to them: "Why do you seek the living among the dead? Remember how he told you, while you he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise."

Gathering Hymn

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
 rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
 can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872-1955, alt.

Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpus, 1570-1615

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Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
 C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
 As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

Children's Sermon

Reading

⁴²[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods

Acts 2:42-47

Today's reading is a description of life in the early Christian

community when the Spirit was poured out on God's people.

John 10:1-10
Jesus uses an image familiar to the people of his day to make a point about spiritual leadership. Those who listen to Jesus are led to abundant life.

and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twentieth fourth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

[Jesus said:] ¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

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 truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

Hymn of the Day

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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic 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

Sermon

My Shepherd, You Supply My Need



- 1 My Shep - herd, you sup - ply my need; most ho - ly is your name.
- 2 When I walk through the shades of death, your pres - ence is my stay;
- 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me all my days;



In pas - tures fresh you make me feed, be - side the liv - ing stream.
one word of your sup - port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.
oh, may your house be my a - bode and all my work be praise.



You bring my wan - d'ring spir - it back when I for - sake your ways,
Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my ta - ble spread;
Here would I find a set - tled rest, while oth - ers go and come;



and lead me, for your mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
my cup with bless - ings o - ver - flows, your oil a - noints my head.
no more a strang - er or a guest, but like a child at home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt., based on Psalm 23
Music: RESIGNATION, North American traditional

✠ Offering ✠

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Now Sing We Alleluia!

Elizabeth Charles/ Heinrich von Herzogenberg

A hymn of glory let us sing, new hymns throughout the world shall ring;

Now sing we alleluia!

The Lord of life is risen today, Sing songs of praise a long His way; alleluia!

Now sing we alleluia!

Good Christians all rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King;

Now sing we alleluia!

Your Name we bless, O risen Lord, Sing today in one accord; Alleluia!

Now sing we alleluia!

Offertory



This Joyful Eastertide

This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
 sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
 sprung to life this mor - row, Had Christ, who once was
 slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in
 vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -
 ris - en; but now has Christ a - ris - en!

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848-1934
 Music: VERULMIJN, Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.

Offertory Prayer



A: Merciful God, our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Feed us again at this table for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

Prayers of the Church

This morning our Prayers of the Church will be captured in the words of a newly written hymn by Father Michael Joncas, the composer of "On Eagles's Wings." The hymn is subtitle A Prayer-s Song in the Time of the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

SHELTER ME

Based on Psalm 23, A Prayer-Song in the Time of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Michael Joncas



1. Shepherd and sheep, my God and I:
to fresh green fields you led my steps in days gone by.
You gave me rest by quiet springs
and filled my soul with peace your loving presence brings.

2. Yet now I tread a diff'rent way;
Death dogs my path with stealthy steps from day to day.
I cannot find your peaceful place.
But dwell in dreary darkness, longing for your face.

3. I will look back in days to come
and realize your faithfulness has led me home.
Within your house I'll find my peace,
trusting that in your mercy you have sheltered me.

Sending Hymn

- P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

- C: 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

✠SENDING✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

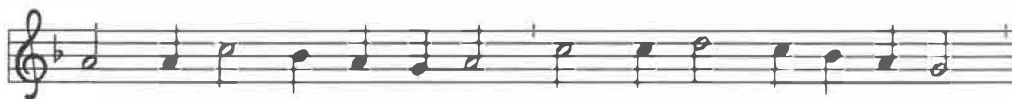
Praise and Thanks and Adoration



- 1 Praise and thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, Son of God, to you we give,
2 Hold me ev - er in your keep - ing, com - fort me in pain and strife;



for you chose to serve cre - a - tion, died that sin - ers all might live.
through my laugh - ter and my weep - ing, lift me to a no - bler life.



Dear Lord Je - sus, guide my way; faith - ful let me day by day
Draw my fer - vent love to you; con - stant hope and faith re - new



fol - low where your steps are lead - ing, find ad - ven - ture, joys ex - ceed - ing!
in your birth, your life and pas - sion, in your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: FREUDICH SEHR, *Trente quatre psaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551
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Benediction

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
C: Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Méditation, from Thaïs

Jules Massenet 1842-1912

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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

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PRAYER LIST



thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of

the family of Shirley Carlson, Gary Olson, father of Lars Olson; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Sam Brown**, child of Liz and Mike Brown; **Jim Peterson**, brother-in-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin; **Bruce Payne and Mike Payne**, cousins of Michelle McCreery; **Mary McCarthy**, friend of

Nancy McCutcheon; Lynn Williamson, family of Bruce and Carol Kuehn; Heluza Ramos, grandmother of Rebecca Morell, Deb Benson, mother of Kayla Hoel; Trevor Daniel, prayer request by Cheri Moe.

Loved Ones In The Military
Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Casey Christy 5.5
Phyllis Dahl 5.8

Joseph Mechels 5.6

OUR SAVIOUR'S HOUSING SHELTER MEALS

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church has provided a meal for forty the first Friday of every month for many years. This has been a wonderful opportunity for families or groups of friends to work together!

IMPORTANT UPDATE!

On April 27, Our Saviour's Housing has notified us that they are *no longer able to receive meals for the shelter from volunteer providers, effective April 29th 2020.*

If you would still like to support Our Saviour's Housing during the COVID-19 pandemic, consider the best option possible at this time, convert your meal into a financial donation. The suggested amount is \$250.

Our Saviour's Housing is *in need of additional funding for COVID-related costs, such as hazard and overtime pay, cleaning supplies, hygiene supplies, personal protective equipment, and increased facilities usage.* oscs-mn.org/donate/

Please consider signing up now, for **July, September, or October** meals. To do so, contact Cheri Moe, moeclana@gmail.com, (952) 431-5226 or Linda Nelson linda.nelson@loti.org (612) 377- 5095.

Thrivent members are eligible to apply for a Thrivent Action Grant to cover the cost of the meal and purchase supplies for Our Saviour's Housing continuing needs. Donation of the grant by Thrivent members, who are unable to make and/or serve the meal is much appreciated! Grant processing is 4-6 weeks.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AND GROWLERS & THEOLOGY

This week Pastor Haug will begin leader virtual Bible study by Zoom for the regular 10:00 am Wednesday morning Bible study group, and the Thursday evening 7:00 pm Growlers & Theology. If you would like to participate in either or both studies, please contact Pastor Haug at pastor@loti.org. He will in turn, send you a link and invitation to the group meeting.

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