

# LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER ✠

APRIL 16, 2023

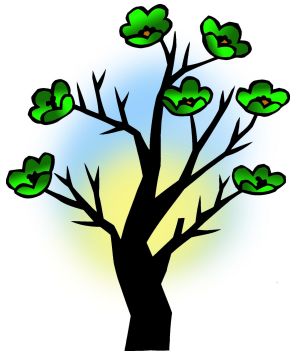
9:30 AM

*In today's gospel the risen Christ appears to the disciples and offers them the gift of peace. Even amid doubts and questions, we experience the resurrection in our Sunday gathering around word and meal, and in our everyday lives. Throughout the coming Sundays of Easter the first two readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles and the first letter of Peter. Even as the early Christians proclaimed the resurrection, we rejoice in the new birth and living hope we receive in baptism.*



*The Incredulity of St. Thomas, Caravaggio, 1601*

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*Inspired by Christ, living and growing in faith,  
we are a loving and open community of worship, witness,  
and service in God's world.*  
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## Prelude

Welcome & Paschal  
Blessing  
*Please stand as  
you are able.*

## Baptismal Song of Thanks & Praise

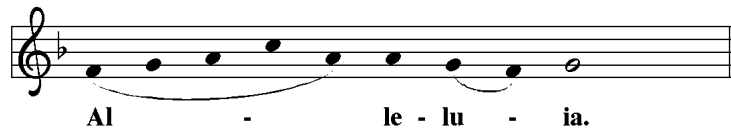
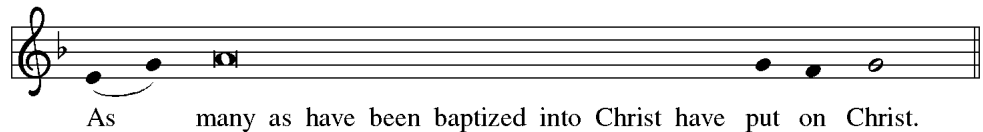
## ✠ Gathering ✠

*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.*

*Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr'  
Alone to God in the highest be glory*

*Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)*

P: 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.



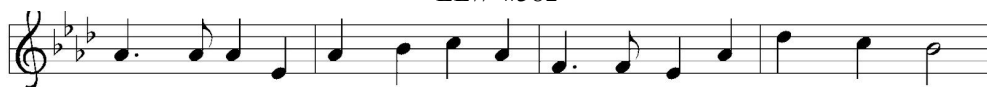
P: On the first day of the week at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; 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 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



## Christ Is Risen! Alleluia

ELW #382



1 Christ is ris-en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!  
 2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;  
 3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay  
 4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
 through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re-turns to life once more;  
 now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris - ing of to - day.  
 We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.



Grate-ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;  
 death and hell be - fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,  
 See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring-ing up from ho - ly ground;  
 All the doubt-ing and de - jec - tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be-fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.  
 an - gels on his steps at-tend-ing, glo - ry round his wound-ed brow.  
 Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.  
 hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

*Refrain*



Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.  
 Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

## 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

Almighty and eternal God, **the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

## Children's Message

*Please be seated.*

## Dismissal Song



## Reading

### *1 Peter 1:3-9*

*This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection.*

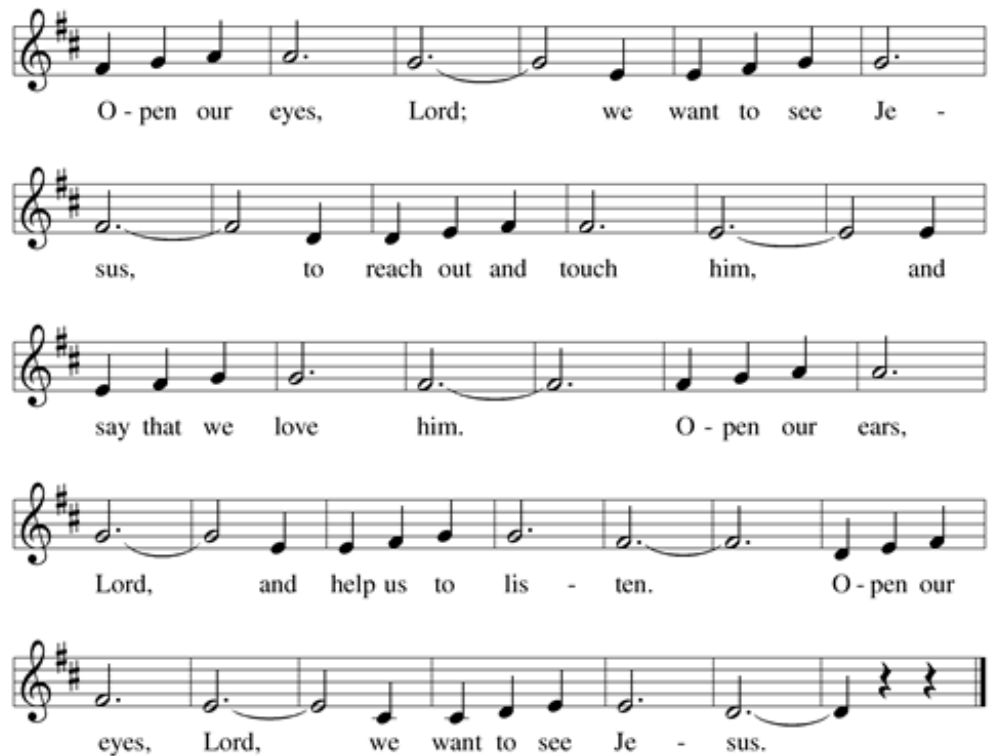
## ✠ Word ✠

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



## *Open Our Eyes, Lord*

*W&P #113*



<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup>Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**





Paschal Verse  
& Alleluia  
*Please stand  
as you are able.*

**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

**B** Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us  
free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and  
strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the  
hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and  
might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain  
has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.



## Gospel

*John 20:19-31*

*The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the twentieth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." <sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

*Please be seated.*



*Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.*

Hymn of the Day  
Please stand as  
you are able.



*We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight*  
WOV #675

1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with  
2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor  
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
4 That, when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as  
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise  
may our faith a - bound to call on you when  
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you

none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."  
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
you are near and seek where you are found:  
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt.  
Music: DUNLAP'S CREEK, Samuel McFarland, fl. 1816

Prayers of the  
Church

P: United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

A: God of rebirth, the good news of your resurrection brings refreshment to a weary world. Following the... Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

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

**C: Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

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

**C: And also with you.**

*After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.*

## ✠ Offering ✠

*Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.*

### Anthem

### *Surrexit Pastor Bonus*

*Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)*

*The Good Shepherd has arisen, who laid down his life for his sheep,  
and, who for his flock, deigned to die. Alleluia.*

### Offertory *Please stand as you are able.*

### *This Joyful Eastertide*

*LBW #149*

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: VRUECHTEN, Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.

### Offertory Prayer

A: Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**



## Great Thanksgiving



## ✠ Meal ✠

*We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

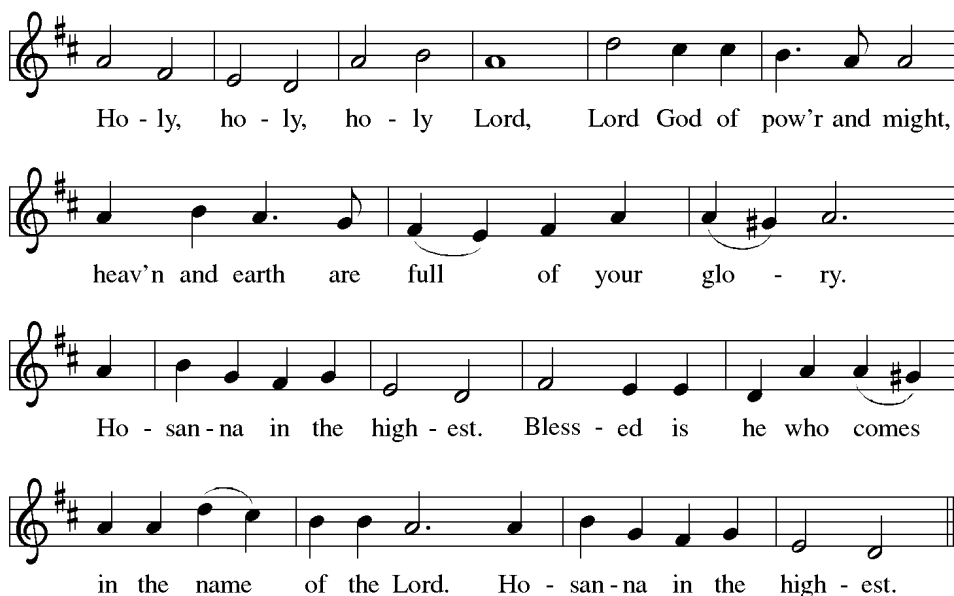
P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



## Words of Institution

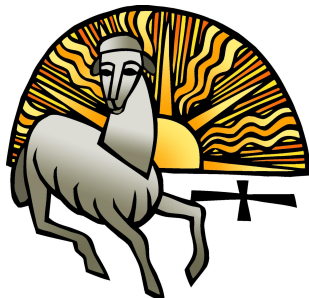
### Lord's Prayer


**C: 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.**


### Invitation to Communion *Please be seated*


P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table has been prepared. All are welcome.


## Lamb of God



  
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

  
 us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

  
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Distribution Music

### *Kam Tie Kalni (Whose are the Hills)*

*Latvian folk song, Artūrs Salaks (1891-1948)*

*Whose are the hills, whose are the dales, whose the vast fields? The hills are God's, the dales are God's, God's the vast fields. God has always been and will remain, God is full of wisdom. It is God that gives the trees their leaves, it is God that grows corn in the fields. I ask God's help every morning, I ask God's help every evening. God's helping hand I need wherever I go, whatever I do.*

## Distribution

*Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is in front of the first pew.*

*Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you toward the front of the church for communion.*

## Post-Communion

### Blessing

*Please stand as you are able.*

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

## Post-Communion

### Prayer

**A:** Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

**C: Amen.**

Post-Communion  
Canticle



✠ 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.*

☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.

Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.

He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy

with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine upon 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

*Marche Triumphale*

*Gedymin Grubba (b. 1981)*

*You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music & praise.*

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## WELCOME

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*We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—  
for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Sunday services online.*

*We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you  
as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.*

### YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Pastor .....	Rev. Dr. Gary Anderson
Organist .....	Dr. Kristina Rizzotto
Quintet .....	Dr. Amanda Māra Rizzotto, Debra Gilroy, Shay Behrends, Sean Lundquist, Dr. Kristina Rizzotto
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Communion Assistant .....	David Goplen
Altar Servers .....	David & Mary Goplen
Reader .....	Pierre LaMere
Usher .....	Eric Amann
Coffee Host .....	Casey & Andrea Christy

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## CALENDAR

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SUNDAY, APRIL 16    **9:30 AM** *Worship with Holy Communion..... Sanctuary & YouTube  
& Sunday School..... Sunday School Rooms*  
10:30 AM *Coffee Hour..... Fellowship Hall*

OFFICE HOURS LIMITED ~ 4/17-4/21  
PLEASE CALL AHEAD

MONDAY, APRIL 17    7:00 PM *AA..... Fellowship Hall*  
TUESDAY, APRIL 18    7:00 PM *Men's AA..... Fellowship Hall*  
                              7:00 PM *AA/Recovery & Spirituality..... Christy Room/Sanctuary*  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19    12:30 PM *Writers' Group..... Fellowship Hall*  
                              7:00 PM *Choir Rehearsal..... Sanctuary*  
THURSDAY, APRIL 20    12:00 PM *Al Anon..... Fellowship Hall*  
SUNDAY, APRIL 23    **9:30 AM** *Worship with Holy Communion..... Sanctuary & YouTube  
& Sunday School..... Sunday School Rooms*  
10:30 AM *Coffee Hour..... Fellowship Hall*

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SCAN TO GIVE



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*Worship is live-streamed each week & remains available for viewing on [YouTube](#)*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



**Matthew Moen; Anna Lena Skold; Trygve Svard; Cindy Kiester**, niece of Carolyn & David Hagford; **Elena Glück & family**, niece of Renate Amann; **Barbara Koester**, niece of Phyllis Dahl; **Maureen Allen**, friend of Carol Kuehn; **David Zarling**, friend of Kathy & Mark Hering; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Beth Addington & Elizabeth Muench**, friends of the congregation; **Natalie Mozey**, daughter of Alan & Mary Poulsen; **Allison Peterson**, friend of Susanne Haas; **Bunny & David Anderson**, sister & brother-in-law of John Bergford; **David Cook**, brother of Jenny Cook; **Kathy Sawyer**, niece of Philip Friedlund; **Joey Juras & Fitz Loula**, friends of the Gruys family; **Dona Duff**, mother of Mark Duff; **Alison Reagon**, friend of Mark Duff & Michelle McCreery; **Lyle Kuehn**, brother-in-law of Carol Kuehn; **Sylvia Johnson**, mother of Twyla Hobbs; the family of **David Nelson**, nephew of Dave & Carolyn Hagford.

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### Meditation

LOTI is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

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### Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members & families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

*Michelle McCreery 4/17 Kylan Duff 4/23*

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### Staffed Nursery in the Christy Room

Our Nursery is staffed today for our littlest ones in the Congregation to use. Ushers can help you with directions to the Christy Room or simply follow the signs provided in the back of the Sanctuary.

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### Visiting Sunday School Age Children

Children ages 3 through 6th Grade are welcome to visit Sunday School. We do ask that a parent or guardian accompany your child to Sunday School to get them checked in and settled before returning to worship.

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### Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the Narthex (back of Sanctuary). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship.

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## Growlers & Theology

Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM

### Parsonage & Zoom

The informal study of theology and adult beverages continues.

We're finishing our exploration of the last and often most misunderstood book of the Bible, Revelation.

[Pastor Haug](#) [LOTI Groups](#)

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## LOTI Women's Book Club

Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM

### Home of Deb Gilroy

This month's selection is *Midnight Library* by Matt .  
Join us! Bring a snack to share if you like.

[Deb Gilroy](#) [LOTI Groups](#)

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## Women's Bible Study

Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM

### Library

We are studying *Children of the Day*, by Beth Moore.

[Deb Gilroy](#) [LOTI Groups](#)

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## Luther Park 2023 Summer Camp

Thinking about summer? So are we! Check out the summer camp opportunities at Luther Park in Danbury, WI. There's something for everyone! Go to [Luther Park](#) for registration and details.

### Elementary Camps (Grades 1-6)

[Cabin Camp](#) – June 18-23, June 25-July 2, and July 23-28; Choice of Half week (Gr 1-4) or Full week (Gr 3-6). Half weeks end on Wed instead of Fri.

[Beginners Horse Camp](#) – (Gr 4-6): June 25-30

[Intermediate Horse Camp](#) – (Gr 4-6) July 16-21

### Youth Camps (Grades 7-12)

[Treehouse Camp](#) – June 18-23 or July 23-28

[Canoe Trip](#) – July 9-14

[Beginners Horse Camp](#) – June 25-30

[Intermediate Horse Camp](#) – July 16-21

### Family Camps

Both camps have choice of cabins, log house, retreat center, treehouses or campgrounds

[Grand Camp](#) – July 16-19 for Grandparents & grandchildren

[Camp Getaway for Families](#) – All dates are Friday-Sunday: June 23-25, June 30-July 2, July 7-9, July 21-23 or July 28-30

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*Office Hours:*

Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Friday 9:00 AM to Noon

