

LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ✠

APRIL 30, 2023

9:30 AM

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. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us amid the world’s violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God’s tender care to all creation.



Jesus the Good Shepherd, Carl & Franz Jobst, 19th c

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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 ✠

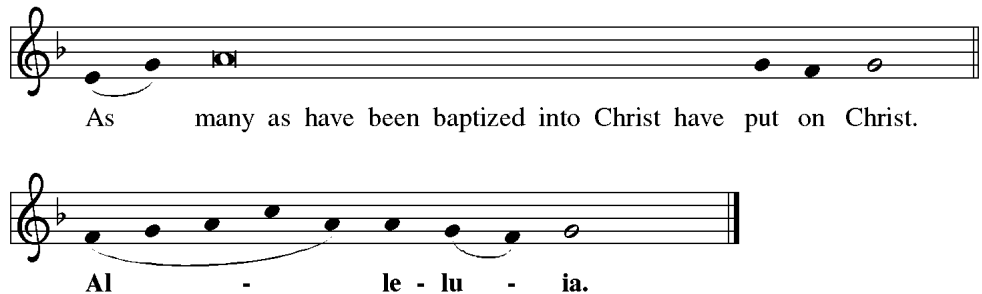
Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Erstanden ist der heil'ge Christ, BWV 628 (The Holy Christ is Risen)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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 went 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

Vs 1 All,
vs 2 Women,
vs 3 Men
& vs 4 All.



Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

ELW #385



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**

Children's Message
Please be seated.

Dismissal Song



✠ Word ✠

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



Oh, Let the Son of God Enfold You
W&P #130

Oh, let the Son of God en - fold you with his Spir - it and his
love, let him fill your heart and sat - is - fy your soul.
Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spir - it like a
dove will de - scend up - on your life and make you whole.

Refrain
Je - sus, O Je - sus, come and
fill your lambs. Je - sus, O
Je - sus, come and fill your lambs.

Reading

Acts 2:42-47

*Today's reading is a
description of life in the
community following
Peter's sermon on the
day of Pentecost, when
the Spirit was poured
out on God's people.*

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 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.



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 10:1-11

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.

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord

[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. ¹¹I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.”

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.



Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
ELW #789



1 Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.
2 We are yours; in love be-friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;
3 You have prom-ised to re-ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;
4 Ear-ly let us seek your fa-vor, ear-ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-pare.
keep your flock, from sin de-fend us, seek us when we go a-stray.
you have mer-cy to re-lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
bless-ed Lord and on-ly Sav-ior, with your love our spir-its fill.



Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, you have bought us; we are yours.
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, hear us chil-dren when we pray.
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, ear-ly let us turn to you.
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-1847
Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

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: You are the shepherd who gathers us in your mighty and loving arms. Help your church...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

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Virgil Thomson

*My shepherd will supply my need:
Jehovah is His name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed,
Beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back
When I forsake His ways,
He leads me, for His mercy's sake,
In paths of truth and grace.
When I walk through the shades of death
Thy presence is my stay;
One word of Thy supporting breath
Drives all my fears away.
Thy hand in sight of all my foes,
Doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows,
Thine oil anoints my head.
The sure provisions of my God
Attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be mine abode,
And all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest,
While others go and come;
No more a stranger, or a guest,
But like a child at home.*

Offertory
Please stand as
you are able.



This Joyful Eastertide
ELW #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!

Offertory Prayer

A: Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

✠ 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.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

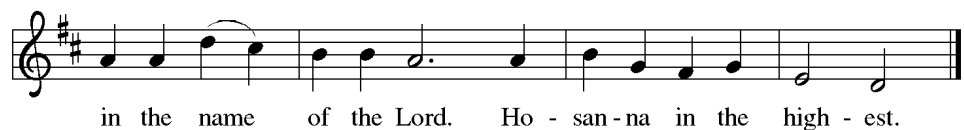
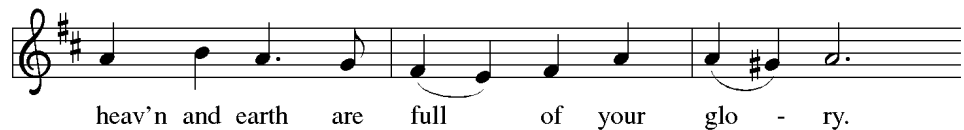
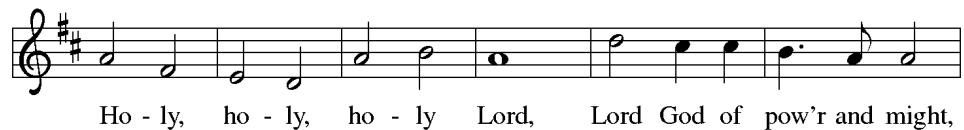
P: Lift up your hearts.

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

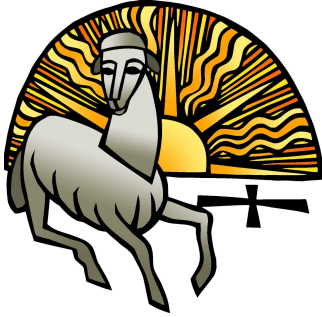
Lord's Prayer


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

Suite in D Minor, HWV 437

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

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: We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life 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. Serve the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Toccata-Rondo

Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

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

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. 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

PastorRev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
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Worship AssistantMichelle McCreery
Communion AssistantMark Duff
Altar ServersDavid & Carolyn Hagford
ReaderLorraine Spies
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Coffee HostEric & Naomi Mechels

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SCAN TO GIVE



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CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 30	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion.....</i>	Sanctuary & YouTube
		<i>& Sunday School.....</i>	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
MONDAY, MAY 1	11:00 AM	<i>Norwegian Glee Club.....</i>	Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	<i>AA.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, MAY 2	7:00 PM	<i>Men's AA.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>AA/Recovery & Spirituality.....</i>	Christy Room
WEDNESDAY, MAY 3	10:00 AM	<i>Bible Study.....</i>	Library/Zoom
	12:00 PM	<i>Staff Meeting.....</i>	Christy Room/Zoom
	12:30 PM	<i>Writer's Group.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	1:00 PM	<i>Isles Ensemble Rehearsal.....</i>	Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	<i>Confirmation.....</i>	Christy Room
	7:00 PM	<i>Choir Rehearsal.....</i>	Sanctuary
THURSDAY, MAY 4	12:00 PM	<i>Al Anon.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 PM	<i>Punschklubben.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
SATURDAY, MAY 6	9:00 AM	<i>UMMF Recitals.....</i>	Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	<i>Priscilla Circle.....</i>	Christy Room
SUNDAY, MAY 7	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion.....</i>	Sanctuary & YouTube
		<i>& Sunday School.....</i>	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	4:00 PM	<i>Karelse Recital.....</i>	Sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 and David Hagford; **Elena Glück & family**, niece of Renate Amann; **Maureen Allen**, friend of Carol Kuehn; **David Zarling**, friend of Kathy and Mark Hering; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Beth Addington & Elizabeth Muench**, friends of the congregation; **Natalie Mozey**, daughter of Alan and Mary Poulsen; **Allison Peterson**, friend of Susanne Haas; **Bunny & David Anderson**, sister and 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.

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.

Loved Ones In The Military

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

*Twyla Hobbs 4/26 Carolyn Hagford 5/2
Casey Christy 5/5 Joseph Mechels 5/6*

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.

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.

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.

LOTI Women's Book Club

TBA

5:00 PM

Home of Deb Gilroy

This month's selection is

Midnight Library by Matt Haig. Join us!

Bring a snack to share if you like.

[Deb Gilroy LOTI Groups](#)

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

