

10:00 WORSHIP
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 21, 2024

Prelude

Announcements

Sunday School—the children will sing and play bells

Please stand

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Opening Hymn

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”
vs. 1-5

LBW 345

Greeting and Response—Psalm 23

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.

P: The LORD is my shepherd

C: I shall not want.

P: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

C: He leads me beside still waters.

P: He restores my soul.

C: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

P: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,

C: for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

P: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

C: you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

P: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C: and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Prayer of the Day *“God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep. Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.” Amen.*

Praise Song

“There Is a Redeemer”

BOB 211

Children’s Message

“Feed My Lambs” chorus only

BOB 55

First Reading: Acts 4:1-12

And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand. On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

Please Stand

Verse

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

P: The **Holy Gospel** according to John, the 10th chapter (vs. 11-18)
 C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
 C: **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon

Sermon Hymn *“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”* LBW 456

Please Stand

Apostle’s Creed LBW p. 65

Offering Hymn *“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”* LBW p. 65

Prayers of the Church

Lord’s Prayer LBW 564

Please stand

Benediction

Closing Hymn *“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”* LBW 328
 vs. 1,3,6,7

P: He is Risen!
 C: **He is Risen Indeed!**

Pianist: Vicki Strege
 Lector: Lance Bien

10:00 WORSHIP
 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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Living Word's Calendar

TODAY (4/21) 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Coffee Fellowship
9:00 May Servant Team meets
10:00 Worship/SS sing and play bells

MONDAY NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE

TUESDAY 9:00 Quilting

WEDNESDAY 3:30 Confirmation
3:30 Dynamic Disciples

THURSDAY 9:00 Community Coffee Fellowship

FRIDAY 10 - 8 Directory Pictures at VPD Studio

SUNDAY 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Coffee Fellowship
10:00 Worship

Announcements

Prayers for Bruce Larson, Tim DeJong, Dave Hepper, Kelly Peterson, Dan Kalber, Shirley Kindt, Tom Dorry, Kelsey Little (Jamie & Hope Pekelder's niece), Brad Zahn.

Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Sue Hippen in memory of Jack's birthday, which would have been April 22.

Flowers on the altar are given by Jerry and Sharon Brown in honor of their wedding anniversary, which is April 23.



Mark your calendars

April 21—SS sing and play bells
May 12—Senior Recognition
May 26—Summer Worship Begins—9:00 Worship, 10:00 Coffee

Radio Broadcast

Prayerfully consider sponsoring a **Radio Broadcast** of our church service on KMSD Sunday mornings at 8:00 AM. The cost is \$65. Signup sheets for radio broadcast and/or providing flowers are on the table in the fellowship hall.

Noisy Change

The **Noisy Change Offerings for April** will be collected for the Vacation Bible School which is June 23-27. The **April 14 Noisy Change Offering** was \$213.40 making the total for the month of April **\$237.20**.

Servant Team

May Servant Team will meet **Sunday, April 21** during Coffee Fellowship at 9:00. **Servant teams help usher, greet, furnish and/or serve treats for coffee fellowship, help with weddings if scheduled during the month, and help and/or furnish for funerals that may occur during the month. If every member who is able volunteers for at least one area of service during their month, the work of the church will be easily accomplished throughout the year. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please prayerfully consider being a co-chairman for your Servant Team.**

“When a person trusts Jesus Christ for salvation, he or she is made a member of the body of Christ” (1 Corinthians 12:27)

** Co-chairs

Beckman, Rhonda
**Busack, Aaron & Lacey
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Reede, Moe & Rochelle
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Wellnitz, Jen

Visitors

Welcome visitors. Please sign our guest book located in the fellowship hall. Thank you for worshipping with us at Living Word Lutheran Church. We hope your worship experience is a blessing. If you live in the area and wish to know more about Living Word and the salvation found in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, please pick up a tote that contains a brochure with more information. Thanks for visiting Living Word, and come back often.

Shut-ins

Living Word Lutheran Church shut-ins would welcome a visit or phone call.
St. William’s Care Center: Lois Helm, Betty Kloster, Marilyn Stemsrud, Rita Raffety
Avantara: Elaine Hallberg, Lane Lindquist
Wellshire Park Place: Carol Forster
Darcie’s Home Care: 1405 Highview Dr—Ann Sandbakken
In her home: Orlean Lardy