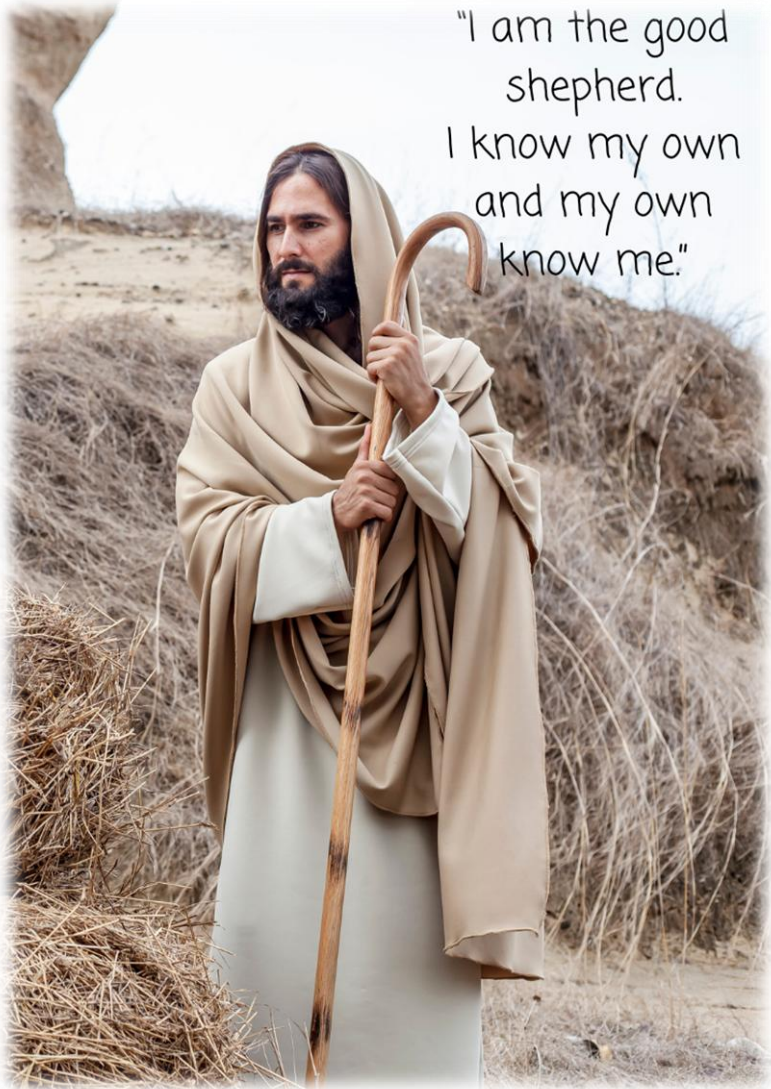


Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21st, 2024
9:00am



"I am the good
shepherd.
I know my own
and my own
know me."



OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH **"CONNECTING FAMILIES TO JESUS"**

WELCOME to this place of worship and prayer as we gather as part of the family of our heavenly Father. . If you are **visiting**, please complete a yellow witness of worship card, placing it in the offering plate. We no longer need attendance cards filled out by current members.

OSLFAMILY.ORG – Check out our website to find the current Carillon newsletter, current weekly bulletins, calendar of events, sermon recordings, devotional links, congregational information, prayer request forms, event signup sheets and more.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from the ushers. There are also activity bags for preschool children.

OUR 9:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE is broadcast live each week on WZNL 94.3 FM radio and is live streamed on our YouTube Channel, @oursaviourslutheranchurch-1040

WE WELCOME YOU TO HOLY COMMUNION All who seek the benefits of this sacrament are welcome at the communion table. Children not receiving communion may come forward for a blessing. Thanks for worshipping with us today!

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

*We would like to welcome all of our listeners at home to be a part of our worship today.
Your physical presence is missed, but your presence in the Spirit is among us always.*

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship

*Pray for an open heart to experience the presence of Jesus,
for your family, for your family of faith and for the worship team.
stand as you are able

The Celebration of God's Presence

***Confession and Absolution**

[P] We gather together 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.

Most merciful God,

[C] **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] Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] **Amen**

Preparation for the Word

***Gathering Hymn – #128 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!”** (*green hymnal*)

***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.

***The Kyrie**

[P] In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



☪ Lord, have mer - cy.

[P] For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



☪ Lord, have mer - cy.

[P] For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



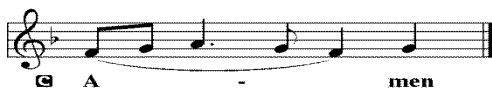
☪ Lord, have mer - cy.

[P] For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



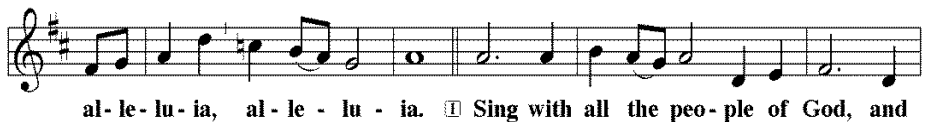
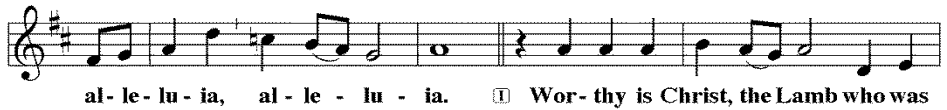
☪ Lord, have mer - cy.

[P] Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



☪ A - men

*This is the Feast



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. ② For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*The Salutation

[P]The Lord be with you.

④ And al - so with you.

*Prayer of the Day

[P] God of all power,

[C] you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the lost sheep. Send his gospel word through the earth to rescue the lost, heal the injured, and feed the sheep; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music - "There is a Redeemer"

(Tom Nelson)

God's Word Guides Us

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

[L] The Word of the Lord

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

(A Psalm of David)

¹The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want;

²**He makes me lie down in green pastures.**

He leads me beside still waters.

³He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴**Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.**

⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies; thou anointest my head with oil, and my cup overflows.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**

Second Reading: I John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

[L] The Word of the Lord.

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Joy Nasi

*Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Proclamation of the Gospel

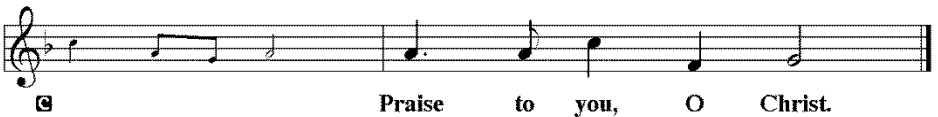
[P] The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.



*Gospel: John 10:11-18

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own 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 do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

[P] The Gospel of Our Lord.



Meditation on the Word

Message

The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Hopman

Hymn of the Day – #138 “He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!”
(Green Hymnal)

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Offering

***Offertory Response**

☐ Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***Offertory Prayer**

[P] Merciful Father,

[C] we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

***Words of Institution**

Our Lord Jesus Christ on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said: “Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

In the same way he also took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and said: “Drink you all of it. This cup is the New Testament in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink of it, in remembrance of me.”

***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.**

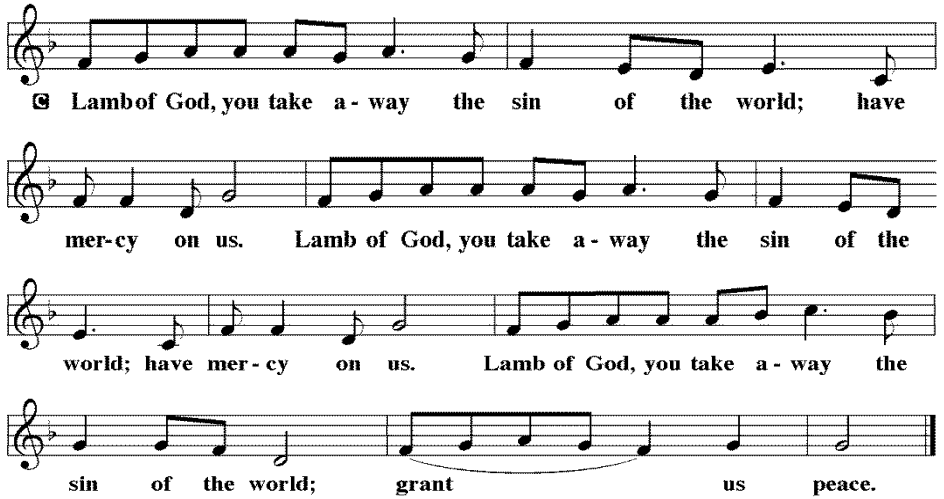
**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

[P] The gifts of God for the people of God.

[C] Thanks be to God.

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.

Distribution of Holy Communion

(We practice open communion which means everyone is welcome at the table of the Lord. Please approach with your hands cradled left over right to accept the bread and then take a cup of red wine or white grape juice. There are baskets on each side of the church to receive empty cups.)

Communion Hymns

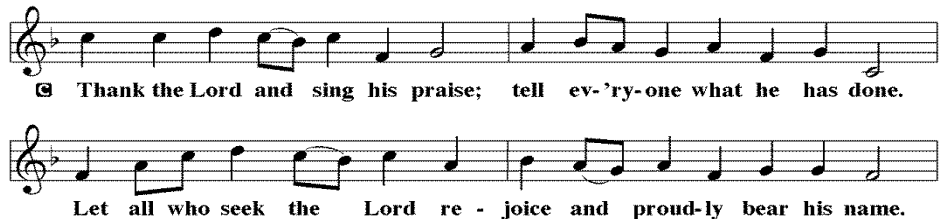
WOV #711 “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

(Blue Hymnal)

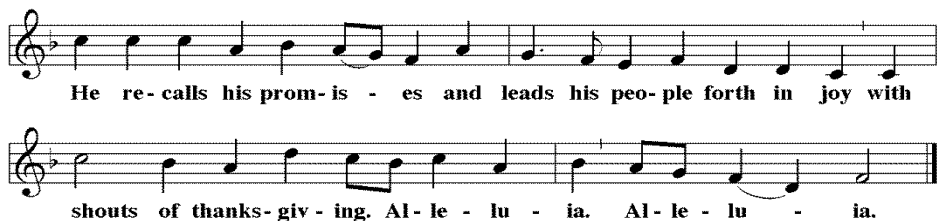
LBW #451 “The Lord’s My Shepherd”

(Green Hymnal)

*Post Communion Canticle



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.
Let all who seek 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.

*Post Communion Prayer

[P] Let us pray together:

[C] **O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn - ELW #536

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”

God be with you till we meet again;
by good counsels guide, up hold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet,
till we meet at Jesus' feet;
till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
holy wings securely hide you,
daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet,
till we meet at Jesus' feet;

till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet,
till we meet at Jesus' feet;
till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

***Dismissal**

[P] Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Pastor The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Hopman
Organist Karen McCorkle
Music Tom Nelson

In Charge Lindsay Rigoni

Lector Heidi Gareau

Ushers Jim Menza
 Patti Menza
 Ken Marchetti
 Mike Patterson

Acolytes Inga Hopman
 Solveig Hopman

Sound Tech Kris Kreh

This Week at Our Saviour's

Sunday	9:00 Communion Worship 10:15 Sunday School 11:30 Youth Group
Wednesday	8:45 Sewing Bee 1:00 Hospice Quilters 6:30 Confirmation Class
Thursday	6:00 Preschool Board Meeting
Saturday	5:00 Communion Worship
Sunday	9:00 Communion Worship 10:15 Sunday School 11:30 Youth Group

Announcements

Warm congratulations to our own Pastor Nick who recently earned his PhD of Philosophy! His new title is The Reverend Doctor Nicholas Hopman. Join us after service today for a special celebration to honor his achievement!

SERVICE CANCELLATION – Saturday evening worship service is cancelled for April 27th.

BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Nick will resume Thursday, April 25th!

USHERS NEEDED – Looking for a way to serve our church family? Why not consider ushering on a Sunday morning. We welcome singles, couples or families to fill this important ministry. If interested please call the church office.

ITEMS FOR SALE – OSL's 100th Anniversary Keepsakes, Cookbooks, T-Shirts, and Caps are still available for purchase. Please see Joy Nasi if interested !

LUTHERANISM 101/New Member Class - with Pastor Nick will resume this month after Pastor's return.

NEED A BIBLE? – If you are in need of a Bible, you are welcome to take one home from the church pew.

PRISON MINISTRY – The prison ministry is growing quickly. There are currently 521 members at this time! Please consider giving to this important ministry to help with the cost of bibles, weekly letters and stamps.

Youth Activities

SUNDAY SCHOOL – will be at 10:15 after service today. All children from 4 years old to 6th grade are invited to join!

YOUTH GROUP – will begin at 11:30 after service today. Students in grade 7th thru 12th grade are invited. Please join us in the Youth Room for food, games and a bible lesson!

CONFIRMATION –Confirmation class will begin at 6:30 on Wednesday.

Congratulations to Kaitlyn Peterson, who was Baptized on April 20th!

Flowers, Live Stream, and Radio have been sponsored in loving memory of Vi Schettler, who faithfully served as one of Sewing Bee ladies from her Wednesday morning friends.

Prayer Concerns

Members: Linda Westman, Carol Bates, Michael Weber, Lois Martonen, Geno Schinderle, Bev Wadke, Cherie Cerasoli, Ed (Steve) Simbob, Sally Yuds, Jesse Wolfgram, Rita Huglen, John Chiamulera, Jessica Battan, Andy & Susie Tyrcha

Family Members: Anita & Bill Neuburg, Micah Lerman, Jonah Lerman, Erika Niebla, Tyler Hiller, Derek Lindstrom, Justin Bouche, Frank Bergan, Lori Brown, Austin Meier, Jerry Anderson, Connie Veale-Jarrett, Weston, Luke M

Friends of Members: Gail Vornkahl, Kelly Bianco, Kevin Richtig, Jodi LaVarnway, Heather Huntley, Jennifer Romano, Linda J., Amy Johnson Brackett, Debra Julian, James DeVet, Holt family, Mindy Valone, Julie Boyle, Michael Talerico, Don Conners, Matthew Everson, Xander, Gemma, Louise Witlock, Mary Carlson, Dale Race, Larry Clark, Todd, Brady, Kristi & family, Pam, Patty, Dr. Bill Asselin, Judy Engera

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All those serving in the armed forces in the U.S. and overseas: Andrew Perla, Emily Boyd, Asher Boyd Neil Bradley, Claire Oberthaler, Max & Iris Robare Gaffey, Chris Carlson, Travis Smith, Zachariah Groskreutz, Connor Milbrath, Sam Carlson, Nick Schroeder

To add a name, please call the church office or visit our website! Names stay on the list for one month unless requested. Please be sure that you have asked their permission.

