

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
4th Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024, 9:00 AM

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church!

We gather this day to worship God together in a community of faith, to hear God's Word spoken, and to receive the Sacraments. From here, the Holy Spirit sends us out into the world as children of God called to share the Gospel and to care for our neighbors locally, nationally, and internationally.

During worship we will use the TV screen, as well as hymns and readings from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) the red book* found under the seat in front of you.

Can I take Communion here?

Believing in the real presence of Christ, this congregation, a part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, practices Eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcomed to Communion in this church. We offer pre-packaged kits and intinction. Folks will be ushered forward where they can then dip bread into the wine or grape juice or receive a kit.

If you do not wish to receive the sacrament you may come forward for a blessing or remain seated. If you wish to receive the sacrament but are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and Communion will be brought to you.

Our Mission:

“Working to spread the Gospel here and throughout the world.”

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Gathering Song: The Trumpets Sound, The Angels Sing ELW 531

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12

The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their 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 questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let 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. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.

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

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks Be to God

Psalm: Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

**The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

You restore my soul, O Lord,

and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

**You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How 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?

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

And 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. All 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.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel: John 10:11-18

[Jesus said:] “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The 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. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care 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. I 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. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No 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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day: “The King of Love my Shepherd Is” ELW 502

Communion Song: “I am the Bread of Life” ELW 485

Sending Hymn: “Touch that Soothes and Heals” ACS Handout

Serving in Worship

	Lay Reader	Greeters	Music	Video-streaming
4/21/24	Johnathon Coggins	-	Rhonda Buss	Dillon Ford
4/28/24	Robin Peterson	Amy Davis And Debby Carlson	Darlene Cole	Dillon Ford

PRAYERS

THOSE STRUGGLING WITH ILLNESS, PAIN, LOSS OF HEALTH IN MIND, BODY, AND SPIRIT: Kyle Smith, Paul Kragh, Ollie DeMuth, Megan Schiller, Ann Woelfel, Duane and Colleen Bonack, Rick Gensler Sr., Hailey Schultz, Ruth Sammetinger, Beth Schomisch, Jim Stroschein, Kris Tenges, Lou Medeiros, Myrna Stroschein, Heidi Lulloff, Olivia, Emma and Chase Kirby, Maggie Servant and Delores Rutherford.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE ARMED FORCES: David Bredesen, Kaley Ebann, Jamie Madl, Charlie and Will Starke, Nicole Young, Emily Fink, Jared Benter, Scott Williams, and Kieran Saffia Jr.

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH: 1st- Aimee Bauknecht
3rd-Melanie Fogerty & Stephen Kortenhof
6th-Trevor Landreth
8th-Vinnie Terlizzi
9th-Jerry Gilbertson
11th- Oliva Terlizzi
12th-Val Otto
16th-L.J. Terlizzi & Grace Lopez
24th-Paul Bredesen, Marny Miles & Sonia Dionne
27th-Linda Wilkowski
29th-Diane Kliss
30th-Jacob Madl

Also Rember: Thomas Obenberger and Griffin Schroeder.

This Week at Faith

Sunday, April 21 <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	9:00am Following Service	Holy Communion Bible Study
Wednesday, April 24	12:30pm	Quilting
Sunday, April 28 <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	9:00am Following Service	Holy Communion Bible Study/Sunday School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIVE-STREAMING Did you know that when you're away, you can watch our service as it's delivered LIVE on Sunday morning? You can! Simply go to our church's website <https://www.faithlutheran-threelakes.org>

MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS are available online! If you would like to receive a paper copy, please sign up on the sheet outside of the office. Newsletters can be found at <https://www.faithlutheran-threelakes.org/newsletters> or right on the front page of the website.

YOU CAN SUPPORT OUR MISSION easier than ever with our **NEW** donation platform! You can visit faith3lakes.churchtrac.com and contribute securely online. Thank you for your continued support!

PLEASE SIGN IN when you attend service. This is helpful for the church office to have a tally for reporting. *Thank you!*

BIBLE STUDY is offered following all Sunday church services. No bible needed, as we will be studying the lessons from each Sunday's service. All are invited and welcome to attend. Please join us for some lively discussions!

DWELLING IN THE WORD The synod invites us to join in dwelling in the word this year. Each month a new text will be available in the narthex. Congregations throughout the synod will also be dwelling in these texts at the beginning of meetings and gatherings such as council, boards, quilting, etc. You can also use these texts for devotions at home!

SUNDAY SCHOOL This year we will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sunday each month.

CHURCHTRAC: Our church has a new program! Churchtrac will be used for communications, event information, a church directory, app and online giving. The first step

is setting up your profile! Go to faith3lakes.churchtrac.com to create your username and password and fill out your profile!

RETREAT A DEEPER SPIRITUALITY WITHIN THE HEAR: April 26th-28th 2024, Check in 3:00pm Friday followed by orientation at 5:45pm, supper at 6:00pm. Ends Sunday after noon meal. Investment: \$225 At St Anthony Center Marathon Wi 54448

Worship in the Wild Hike: April 27th 2024 2:00pm Raven Trail 8420 Woodruff Rod #8332 Woodruff, WI 54568 Meet up at trailhead

Three Lakes Christian Food Pantry Collections: April 28th-May 26th Collecting donations for Food pantry, looking for Paper Products & Personal Hygiene Products

Highway Clean Up: Sunday 28th its time for some Spring cleaning on Highway 45! Be sure to wear boots and appropriate clothing, safety vests and bags will be provided. Once bags are filled will be picked up and deposited at church drive way. Looking forward to all who can come to help keep our wonderful community staying beautiful and clean! Any questions please call or text Greg or Diane Kills at 715-321-0606 or 715-321-1215

Pastor Catie: will be gone on Sunday May 5th, Pastor Norm Peterson will be leading Worship that Sunday.

Special Metting: After Worship on 5/12, please plan on attending.

