

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 25, 2021 – Traditional Service

I AM THE
GOOD SHEPHERD
I KNOW MY SHEEP
AND MY SHEEP
KNOW
ME.



JOHN 10:14, NIV

WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here. Even though we are spread out and wearing masks, we are delighted to gather as one people in the name of the risen Lord Jesus, in whose power over disease and death we take hope. Please use this bulletin to participate in the liturgy and take it with you when the service is ended. Don't forget to register each week on our website or by calling the office (717-263-8156) for the service that you wish to attend, so that we can maintain appropriate physical distancing in our sanctuary. If you are a guest or visitor worshipping with us and did not know to register for today's service, no problem; we have kept open some extra seating just in case. Simply plan to register for the service next week – and we do invite you to worship with us again!

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary. Our nursery is not yet open, but the space is available for special use by individual families. If you visit the nursery to settle a child or change a diaper, please let one of the pastors or ushers know so that we can be sure to sanitize the room before the next service.

Ushers will dismiss worshippers at the end of the service row by row. Please wait to be dismissed, and conduct conversations and fellowship in the fresh, open air outside. We trust that as we take such precautions

us toward that end!

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*The image of the good shepherd
shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life.
It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep,
one of mutual knowledge and love,
that gives the shepherd authority.
The shepherd's willingness to lay down
his life for the sheep shows his love.*

*First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another
by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.*

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

Please respect the silence of those around you preparing for worship.

PRELUDE

"The Lord's My Shepherd"

Bain

Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ,
let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ,
for these waters where you make us new,
leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.

We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us
in the grace-filled waters of rebirth,
like rains to our thirsting earth,
like streams that revive our souls,
like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.
Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.
Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.

Make us one, risen Christ.
Cleanse our hearts.
Shower us with life.

To you be given all praise,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God,
now and forever.

Amen.

1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
5 Good-ness and mer-cy all my life shall sure-ly fol-low me,

The first system of music features a treble clef staff with a melody line and a bass clef staff with a harmonic accompaniment. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The accompaniment consists of chords in the right hand and single notes in the left hand.

in pas-tures green; he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.
and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be;

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The melody includes a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The accompaniment maintains the same harmonic structure.

He lead-eth me, he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.
and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be.

The third system concludes the piece. The melody ends with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The accompaniment ends with a final chord in the right hand and a final note in the left hand.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**O Lord Christ,
good shepherd of the sheep,
you seek the lost and guide us into your fold.
Feed us, and we shall be satisfied;
heal us, and we shall be whole.
Make us one with you,
for you live and reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.**

Please be seated.



WORD

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: Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!



**This Jesus is the stone
that was rejected
by you, the builders,
which has become the
CORNERSTONE.**

Acts 4:11, ESV

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

¹The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my soul, O LORD,

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

⁴**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.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶**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

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: Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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 the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

“Redeemed by the Encounter”

Pastor Aaron

SPECIAL MUSIC

*“God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens/
Earth and All Stars”*

Hassell

Herb Spomer; Pianist

Please stand as you are able.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

A brief silence.

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Loving Shepherd, you know your own and your own know you. Give us ears to hear your voice, which calls us to your loving embrace. Open our hearts to your healing and forgiveness in our lives and in the lives our families, friends, and enemies. Reconcile us to you and to one another.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Gracious Shepherd, the nations and peoples are your heritage. Cultivate empathy among leaders and rulers. Instill joy in serving and determination to lift up the lowly. Make the day of peace to dawn in their hearts that they might dedicate their best energies and efforts toward its coming.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Abiding Shepherd, your love flows as we reach out to those around us. Move us with your Spirit, so that we lay down our lives for those in need, especially Scott, Dottie, Shirley, Christine, Kayla, Larry, Mary, Sherry, Cameron, Ron, Cheryl, Bernice, Ayano, Bob, Kelly, Denise, Carl, Beth, Jane, William, Rick, Belva, Phyllis, Sister Frances, Becky, Sonny, and Ron. Help us love one another in truth and action.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Saving Shepherd, you restore us to wholeness. Help our community in our life together and give us vigor as a people of faith. We pray for our members: Greg & Nina Wilson; Elizabeth Wingert; Kyle Witter; Vickie & Jeff Witter; Edward & Helen Wlazlowski; Thomas Woodcock; Gregory & Barbara Woods; Julia Wrights; and Deanna Zimmerman. In the midst of challenges presented by the ongoing pandemic, and ongoing opportunities for ministry, fill us anew with you Holy Spirit.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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Eternal Shepherd, you hold us securely in your loving hands. In the assurance of resurrection hope, we remember our loved ones who have died in you, especially the evangelist Mark. Bring us, with them, to dwell in your house forever.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

P: In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you,
trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.

CLOSING HYMN

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

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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;



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.



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.



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SENDING

THE BENEDICTION

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.

The God of life,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

Elvey

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The children's bulletins are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Brooklynn Barkman's 9th birthday by her sister Isabella and her cousins: Dilynn & Alyssa Fisher.

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Edith Schaffer, and in honor of their 70th wedding anniversary on April 28th by Leland Schaffer.



LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:	
<i>Sunday, April 18, 2021</i>	
In-Person	80
Online Worship Service Views:	58

STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

“Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action.”

1 John 3:18

Care of God’s good creation is love in truth and action.
Ponder how you might better exhibit this love through your care of our planet and all that God has created.
What one small step might you take this week?

Budgeted amount needed: \$8,072.12 04/18/2021 Offering: \$4,471.38
Thank You!



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Vision

"Growing in God"

Mission Statement

*"Seed - Planting and Growing in our Faith
Sow - Sharing the word of God with our community
Steward - Giving to all the love of God
Service - Showing the love of God with our community"*