

April 6, 2025

Welcome

Opening Hymn

686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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| 1 Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore Thee;
May I still Thy goodness prove. | 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above. |
| 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I've come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood. | 4 Oh, that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,
How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;
Take my ransom'd soul away;
Send Thine angels soon to carry
Me to realms of endless day. |

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Invocation and Confession of Sins.....(pg. 151 Lutheran Service Book)

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore announce the forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Kyrie.....sung to tune: *Jesus Refuge of the Weary*

**For your peace and for salvation Lord have mercy, hear our pray'r.
For the health of Church, world, nation, Lord have mercy, hear our pray'r.
For all here who bend to render Hymns of worship, shouts of praise,
Hear our pray'r, O great Defender; Unto you our voices raise.**

Let us pray: God the Father Almighty, maker of all things, You looked on the affliction of Your people and did not forget them but sent the Holy Spirit to fill them with living water. In like manner, we pray that You may fill our hearts with that same Spirit, so that we may pour out living water and refresh our world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament

Psalm 5:9

Not a word from their mouth can be trusted; their heart is filled with malice. Their throat is an open grave; with their tongues they tell lies.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

John 7:37-39

On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him." By this he meant the Spirit...

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Object Lesson

Hymn of the Day

783 Take My Life and Let It Be

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| 1 | Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise. | 4 | Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose. |
| 2 | Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee. | 5 | Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne. |
| 3 | Take my voice and let me sing
Always, only for my King;
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee. | 6 | Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee. |

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Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

[If you would like to send a card or call someone for whom we prayed, please contact Pastor John.]

**Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus
And for all people according to their needs.**

(After each portion of the prayers:)

**Lord in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray:

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.

Our offerings help to support:

Blue Sky Bridge

Offertory

.....sung to tune: *O Sacred Head*
What language shall I borrow To thank You, dearest Friend.
For all Your dying sorrow, Your pity without end?
Oh, make me Yours forever; And should I fainting prove,
Lord, let me never, never Outlive Your dying love!

Preface:

.....sung to tune: *O Sacred Head*
The Lord is with His people;
Now may He be with you.
The Lord is with His servants;
May He be with you, too.
Now lift your hearts to praise him
To God we lift them high
'Tis right to praise and thank Him
Who to His world draws nigh.

It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and singing:

Sanctus.....sung to tune: *Dearest Jesus We are Here*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Heav'n and earth proclaim the story
Of Your majesty adored,
Of Your kingdom, pow'r and glory.
With hosannas now we meet You;
With our palms and praises greet You.

Hail! Hosanna! Blest is He
Who in God's own name draws near us!
Hail! Hosanna! Blest are we
Since we have God's love to cheer us:
Blood outpoured and body broken,
Of eternal love the token.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us children of men and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the redemption you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts that he may establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to remember our Redeemer and receive him who comes to us in his body and blood.

Jesus' Direction for Holy Communion

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Agnus Dei.....sung to tune: *O Sacred Head*

O Lamb of God, once lifted upon the cursed tree;
O Lamb of God, once offered in sacrifice for me;
O Lamb of God, my Savior in my place crucified;
Your peace and mercy grant me. My Savior will provide.

Distribution Hymns

642 O Living Bread from Heaven

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| 1 | O living Bread from heaven,
How well You feed your guest!
The gifts that You have given
Have filled my heart with rest.
Oh, wondrous food of blessing,
Oh, cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing,
With praises overflows. | 3 | You gave me all I wanted;
This food can death destroy.
And You have freely granted
The cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit
The favor You have shown,
And all my soul and spirit
Bow down before Your throne. |
| 2 | My Lord, You here have led me
To this most holy place
And with Yourself have fed me
The treasures of Your grace;
For You have freely given
What earth could never buy,
The bread of life from heaven,
That now I shall not die. | 4 | Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened,
To serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit
To leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit,
Where joys unmingled flow. |

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694 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower

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| 1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tower;
Thee will I love, my hope, my joy.
Thee will I love with all my power,
With ardor time shall ne'er destroy.
Thee will I love, O Light divine,
So long as life is mine. | 3 I thank Thee, Jesus, Sun from heaven,
Whose radiance hath brought light to me;
I thank Thee, who hast richly given
All that could make me glad and free;
I thank Thee that my soul is healed
By what Thy lips revealed. |
| 2 Thee will I love, my life, my Savior,
Who art my best and truest friend.
Thee will I love and praise forever,
For never shall Thy kindness end.
Thee will I love with all my heart—
Thou my Redeemer art! | 4 O keep me watchful, then, and humble;
Permit me nevermore to stray.
Uphold me when my feet would stumble,
And keep me on the narrow way.
Fill all my nature with Thy light,
O Radiance strong and bright! |
| 5 Thee will I love, my crown of gladness;
Thee will I love, my God and Lord,
Amid the darkest depths of sadness,
And not for hope of high reward,
For Thine own sake, O Light divine,
So long as life is mine. | |

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711 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

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| 1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
Much we need Your tender care.
In Your pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Your fold prepare.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
You have bought us; we are Yours.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
You have bought us; we are Yours. | 3 You have promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
You have mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Early let us turn to You.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Early let us turn to You. |
| 2 We are Yours; in love befriend us,
Be the guardian of our way;
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us,
Seek us when we go astray.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Hear us children when we pray.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Hear us children when we pray. | 4 Early let us seek Your favor,
Early let us do Your will;
Blessèd Lord and only Savior,
With Your love our spirits fill.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
You have loved us, love us still.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
You have loved us, love us still. |

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The body and blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the faith to life everlasting. Go in peace.

Amen.

Thanksgiving.....sung to tune: *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain*

**Christ, himself for us abasing Gave his life upon the cross;
Ever humble, all-effacing, For us counted all things loss;
Unto death God's will obeyed, For our sakes a servant made.
Thus to glory God did raise him, Granted him the highest name,
That all creatures now may praise him, Call him "Lord" and tell his fame.
At the name of Jesus now Let all knees in worship bow.**

We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this good gift, and we implore you that of your mercy you would strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Choir

“Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

- 1 Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing,
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Your love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us; O refresh us,
Trav'ling through this wilderness.
- 2 Thanks we give and adoration
For Your Gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Your salvation
In our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful
To Your truth may we be found.
- 3 Savior, when Your love shall call us
From our struggling pilgrim way,
Let not fear of death appall us,
Glad Your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
Reign with You in endless day.

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Server Schedule

	4/6	4/13	4/17 Maundy Thurs	4/18 Good Friday	4/20
	8:30	8:30	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	8:30
Elder	Bill	Dan	Herold	Herold	Erik
Reader	Nanette	Dianna	N/A	N/A	Wanda
PowerPoint	Wanda	Amy	Lisa	Lisa	Dan
Organ	Linda	Linda	Linda	Linda	Linda
Audio	Steve	Steve	Greg	Steve	Steve
Visuals	Greg	Preston	Edwin	Preston	Greg
	10:30	10:30			10:30
Elder	Erik	Greg			Edwin
Reader	Delka	Rosemary			Kathy
PowerPoint	Cole	Cole			Vicki
Audio/Visuals	Conor/Vicki	Erik/Preston			Mike/Conor
Counters	John Da/James	Adria/Michelle			Mick/James
	Both	Both			Both
Altar Guild	Ron/Barb	Royce/Paula			Williams/Koob
Altar Flowers	Moons	Spachts			Flower Ministry

Altar flowers this week were donated by Jerry and Bernice Moon in celebration of their wedding anniversary on April 3rd.

Birthdays this Week

04/11 James Flerchinger
 04/11 Michelle Steffen
 04/12 Sharon Barber

Anniversaries this Week

04/12 Jon & Wanda Spacht