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### **4th Sunday of Easter**

#### **The Good Shepherding Continues**

May 11, 2025

Divine Service 1



## **Pre-Service Announcements**

### **Servant Processional**

#### **As We Gather**

Even as we celebrate Jesus as our Good Shepherd, we also acknowledge that His shepherding love and care continues through the undershepherds whom He sends to protect, preserve, and provide for His sheep. The pastors do not replace Jesus, our Good Shepherd, but are the means by which our Lord continues His work among us through His Word and Sacraments. His Word and promise continue and He is among us just as He has said, still leading us to the still quiet waters, the rich green pastures, and the safe refuge so familiar to us in the words of Psalm 23.

## Confession and Absolution

### Hymn of Invocation: 868 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

- 1 Awake, my soul, and with the sun  
Thy daily stage of duty run;  
Shake off dull sloth and joyful rise  
To pay thy morning sacrifice.
- 2 In conversation be sincere,  
Thy conscience as the noonday  
clear;  
Think how the\_all-seeing God thy  
ways  
And all thy secret thoughts surveys.
- 3 All praise to Thee, who safe hast kept  
And hast refreshed me while I slept;  
Grant, Lord, when I from death shall  
wake,  
I may of endless light partake.
- 4 Lord, I my vows to Thee renew;  
Disperse my sins as morning dew;  
Guard my first springs of thought and  
will  
And with Thyself my spirit fill.
- 5 Direct, control, suggest this day  
All I design or do or say  
That all my pow'rs with all their might  
In Thy sole glory may unite.
- △6 Praise God, from whom all blessings  
flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  
✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

*LSB 151*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Kneel/Stand*

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

## Confession of Sins

*LSB 151*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** 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.

**Absolution***LSB 151*

**P** 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 Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

*Stand*

**Service of the Word****Introit**

**P** I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

**C He chose David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds;  
from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his inheritance.**

**P** With upright heart he shepherded them

and guided them with his skillful hand.

**C But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will recount your praise.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**P** I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

## Kyrie

*LSB 152*

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**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.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen.**

## Gloria In Excelsis

*LSB 154*

**L** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

**C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

*Sit*

## **First Reading**

*Acts 20:17–35*

### **Paul Speaks to the Ephesian Elders**

<sup>17</sup>Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. <sup>18</sup>And when they came to him, he said to them:

"You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, <sup>19</sup>serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; <sup>20</sup>how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, <sup>21</sup>testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup>And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, <sup>23</sup>except that the Holy Spirit

testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me.

<sup>24</sup>But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

<sup>25</sup>And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. <sup>26</sup>Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, <sup>27</sup>for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup>Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup>and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them.

<sup>31</sup>Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears.

<sup>32</sup>And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup>I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup>You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup>In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm *Psalm 23*

### The LORD Is My Shepherd

**L** <sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd;

**C** I shall not want.

**L** <sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down in green pastures.

**C** He leads me beside still waters.

**L** <sup>3</sup>He restores my soul.

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

**L** <sup>4</sup>Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

**C** I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

**L** <sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me

**C** in the presence of my enemies;

**L** you anoint my head with oil;

**C** my cup overflows.

**L** <sup>6</sup>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.

## Epistle

*Revelation 7:9–17*

### A Great Multitude from Every Nation

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out



with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup> "Therefore they are before the throne of God,  
and serve him day and night in his temple;

and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

<sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of living water,

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**C** Alleluia.

**Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Holy Gospel**

*John 10:22–30*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John,  
the tenth chapter.

**C** Glory to you O Lord

**I and the Father Are One**

<sup>22</sup>At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter,  
<sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup>I and the Father are one."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you O Christ

*Sit*

## Hymn of the Day: 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

- 1 The King of love my shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever.
- 2 Where streams of living water flow,  
My ransomed soul He leadeth  
And, where the verdant pastures  
grow,  
With food celestial feedeth.
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
But yet in love He sought me  
And on His shoulder gently laid  
And home rejoicing brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me,  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
Thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
Thine unction grace bestoweth;  
And, oh, what transport of delight  
From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise  
Within Thy house forever!

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## Sermon

*Stand*

## 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.

## Prayer of the Church

### Prayer Response

**P** ....Lord in your mercy  
**C** hear our prayer

*Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

*Sit*

## Offering

*Stand*

### Offertory

*LSB 192*

**C** Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
 and renew a right spirit within me.  
 Cast me not away from Thy presence,  
 and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

**Restore unto me the joy of Thy  
salvation, and uphold me with Thy  
free spirit. Amen.**

## **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.**

## **Benediction**

*LSB 166*

**☩** 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.**

## **Shepherd of Tender Youth**

1 Shepherd of tender youth,  
Guiding in love and truth  
Through devious ways;  
Christ, our triumphant king,  
We come Your name to sing  
And here our children bring  
To join Your praise.

- 2 You are the holy Lord,  
O all-subduing Word,  
Healer of strife.  
Yourself You did abase  
That from sin's deep disgrace  
You so might save our race  
And give us life.
- 3 You are the great High Priest;  
You have prepared the feast  
Of holy love;  
And in our mortal pain  
None calls on You in vain;  
Our plea do not disdain;  
Help from above.
- 4 O ever be our guide,  
Our shepherd, and our pride,  
Our staff and song.  
Jesus, O Christ of God,  
By Your enduring Word  
Lead us where You have trod;  
Make our faith strong.
- 5 So now, and till we die,  
Sound we Your praises high  
And joyful sing:  
Infants and all the throng,  
Who to the Church belong,  
Unite to swell the song  
To Christ, our king!

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**WELCOME, Rev. Dr. Scott Yakimow!** We are very blessed to have Pastor Yakimow leading the Sunday Worship Service. We have been blessed with Pastor Yakimow's teaching and worship previously. We pray that we will enrich his service as he is enriching ours.

**NOTES FROM PASTOR HUNER:** Starting on **May 13, the 10 am Tuesday** morning Bible Study group will be looking at the Book of Psalms. "Finding Comfort In The Psalms" will be our first collection of Psalms that we will study for the next few weeks.

For the **Sunday Morning Bible Study starting on May 18**, we will be diving into the Book of Ephesians and discovering its Grace-Filled messages for our lives.

## **WORSHIP SERVANTS    May 11, 2025**

**Acolyte:** Matthew Groeller

**Elders:** Bill Hertel and Garet Fix

**Pastor:** Pastor Scott Yakimow

**Organist:** Linda Freeman

**Special Music:**

**Altar:** Lois Brumm and Deb Dugan

**Counting:** Joanna and Dan Krueger

**Ushers:** Dan and Joanna Krueger

**Greeters:** Ben Ratliff and Daniel Eppler

## **MINISTRY CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

**Sun, May 11**

9 am – Adult Bible Study

9 am – Children's Sunday School

10 am – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

## **Mon, May 12**

## **Tues, May 13**

10 am – Bible Study-- Finding Comfort In The Psalms

11 am - Prayer Warriors

7 pm – Bible Study

## **Wed, May 14**

## **Thur, May 15**

10:30 am – Christian Art class with Pam

7 pm –Council

## **Fri May 16**

## **Sat, May 17**

## **Sun, May 18**

9 am – Adult Bible Study

9 am – Children's Sunday School

10 am – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, Divine Worship w/ Communion

## **CHARTING OUR COURSE**

*Attendance week of May 4, 2025*

10:00 am Worship in Person: 53/Online

plays: 160 Communion: 45

9:00 am Kids Sunday school In Person: 10

9:00 am Adult Bible Class in Person: N/A /

Online plays: 152