Christ Lutheran Church

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Fourth Sunday of Easter Sunday, April 21, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

GATHERING

WELCOME

CALL TO CONFESSION

P Blessed be the holy Trinity,

→ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God,
- C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia! – ELW 369 (vv. 1,2,4)

- 1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia! offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! at the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
- 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!
- 4 Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia! all your grateful homage pay; Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

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GREETING

- L 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. Amen.

KYRIE – ELW p. 184 (congregation sings the refrain; leader sings the verses)



e - lei

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Ky-ri - e

P 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.

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C Amen.

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.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

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

²The 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.

⁴Though 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.

⁶Surely 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.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah - ELW 172

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

GOSPEL READING: John 10:11-18

L The holy gospel according to John.

C 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."

L This is the Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Stephen

HYMN OF THE DAY: *The Lord's My Shepherd* – ELW 778 (vv. 1,3,5)

- 1 The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want. he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by. He leadeth me, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be; and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be.

Text: The Psalms of David in Meeter, Edinburgh, 1650

APOSTLES' CREED

C 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

(Petitions end: "God of grace"; please respond "hear our prayer."

C Amen.

MEAL

INVITATION TO SHARE OUR OFFERINGS

(As an act of worship, we offer to God a portion of what God has first given us.)

OFFERTORY: Come to the Table - ELW 481

Come to the table of mercy,

prepared with the wine and the bread.

All who are hungry and thirsty,

come, and your souls will be fed.

Come at the Lord's invitation:

receive from his nail-scarred hand.

Eat of the bread of salvation;

drink of the blood of the Lamb.

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OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

COMMUNION

(Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available upon request).

COMMUNION HYMN

Musical Offering

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SENDING

SENDING SONG: God Be with You Till We Meet Again - ELW 536

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

Refrain

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

- 2 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. *Refrain*
- 3 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. *Refrain*

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828-1904, alt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

- P Love
- C Jesus
- P Grow
- C Together
- P Serve
- **C** Others
- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

(Please share a greeting of peace with one another).

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WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

MISSION STATEMENT: "Love Jesus, Grow Together, Serve Others."

VISION STATEMENT: "Christ Lutheran is where God's promise of love and forgiveness is for all."

<u>PRAYER CONCERNS</u>: Kristy; Kathy; Roger; Paul; Steve; Sharon; Chris; Shawn; Kathy; Luke; Libby; Joe; Arlene; Cindi; Josie; Abusa (Pastor) Sinos Chimwaye and our companion congregation in Malawi (Balaka Parish); Jackie and Patrick Bencke (missionaries in Japan); all those who serve in our military and their families; and all people residing in care facilities or confined to their homes.

WEDNESDAY'S TABLE MENU for April 24 is salmon filets, potatoes, vegetables and dessert. The menu is also posted on Facebook. [Menu items subject to change.]

<u>THERE ARE SIGN-UP SHEETS</u> for worship volunteers on the table at the back of the narthex. We need weekly help with ushering, serving communion and coffee fellowship. We also need ushers and communion servers for mid-week services.

MID-WEEK SERVICES continue Wednesday, April 24 at 6:00pm in the sanctuary.

<u>CHRIST LUTHERAN IS IN NEED OF TWO</u> voting delegates (1 male and 1 female) for the synod assembly at UW – Eau Claire on June 7 and June 8. All confirmed members of the congregation are eligible to be delegates. Others are allowed to attend but we are only allowed two votes. A new synod bishop will be elected at this assembly. All delegates and guests must be registered by **APRIL 25** so if you are interested, please let the church office know soon.

THE 2024 WOMEN OF THE ELCA RETREAT is scheduled for June 5 and June 6 at Luther Park Bible Camp in Chetek. More information and registration forms are available on the table outside the church office.

<u>CHRIST LUTHERAN IS IN NEED</u> of two delegates to the American Lutheran Communities Annual Meeting. It will be held at Christ Lutheran on May 28 at 7:00pm. Our delegates list needs to be sent in by May 1. If interested, please contact the church office soon.

THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY DEMENTIA COALITION is hosting a caregiver skills fair called "Caring for your loved one at home" on Thursday, May 9 from 8:00am – 3:00pm at Jacob's Well Church, 989 122nd Street, Chippewa Falls. Registration by May 2 is required. You may register at http://www.adrcevents.org or by calling 715-839-4735.

<u>INFORMATION ON HOSTING</u> an international exchange student is available on the bulletin board outside of the Family Worship Space or by calling Kristi Harig at 518-379-8490

LCM FUNDRAISER AT THE MOOSE LODGE: Lutheran Campus Ministry is teaming up with the Moose Lodge to serve the charcoal chicken dinner on Saturday, April 27. The doors open at 4pm and dinner will be served from 5-7:00pm. The cost is \$15 a plate which includes, 1/4 chicken, cheesy potatoes, coleslaw and a dessert. Come with your family, come by yourself, or meet some new friends at the fundraiser! All proceeds will go to support Lutheran Campus Ministry! Thank you for your support and we hope to see you there!

<u>WILSON LUTHERAN CHURCH</u> (401 – 310th Street, Wilson) is hosting a Pancake Supper and Bake Sale on Thursday, April 25 from 4:30pm – 7:00pm. Menu includes: Pancakes with real maple syrup, applesauce, sausage and cheese. Cost: Free Will Offering.

THE MENOMONIE SINGERS present their spring concert, "Peace for the Masses" on April 21 at 2:00pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Menomonie. Suggested donation of \$10 per person.



Thrift, Plant, Quilt & Bake Sale

Friday, May 3 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Saturday, May 4 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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