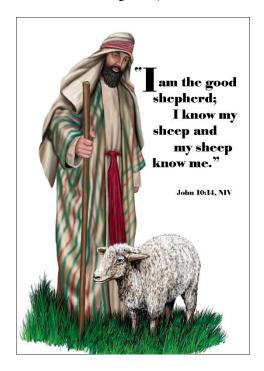
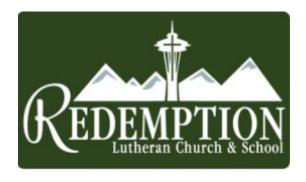
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Third Sunday After Caster



WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.



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Pre-Service Meditation:

John 10:16 ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

Prayer: Dear Lord Jesus, You are THE Good Shepherd who laid down His life for wayward sheep such as I. By Your voice of the Gospel I am brought into Your heavenly flock. Use me as Your mouthpiece to gather other wayward sheep into Your fold that we all may rest securely. Through You, precious Savior, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. Amen.

Service of the Word

Opening Hymn TLH 206 Jesus Christ My Sure Defense vs 1-4

Confession and Absolution

ightharpoonup: In the name of the Father and of the ightharpoonup Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

©: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Upon this your confession, I, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

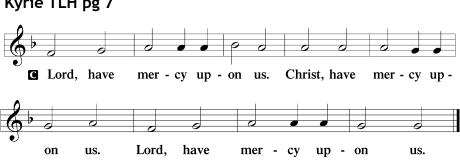
G: Amen.

Gloria Patri TLH pg 6



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie TLH pg 7



Hymn of Praise: TLH 189 11

He is arisen! Glorious Word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord; The gates of heav'n are open. My Jesus did triumphant die, And Satan's arrows broken lie, Oh, hear What cheer! Christ victorious Riseth glorious, Life He giveth He was dead, but see, He Liveth!

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- The Lord be with you. P
- C And also with you.
- Let us pray. . . who lives and reigns with You and the P Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever:
- \mathbf{C} **Amen**

Epistle Reading:

1 John 3:16-21

¹⁶By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? ¹⁸Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

19By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; 20for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. 21Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; 22and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. 23And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. 24Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

Responsive Psalm:

Selected Verses from Psalm 23

- **P** The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- He makes me lie down in green pastures.

 He leads me beside still waters.
- P He restores my soul.
- He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- P Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
- I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- P You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
- g you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- P Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
- and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Second Reading:

Acts 4:1-12

¹As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ²greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷And when they had set them in the 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 being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹²And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Confession of Faith:

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 is seated at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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 \pm everlasting. Amen.

Hymn:

WS 733 This Joyful Easter-Tide

Sermon: John 10:11-18

¹¹I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing 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. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of 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 that I may take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

The Good Shepherd Leads by Love

Offertory:

Create in Me J J

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

Hymn:

TLH 436 The Lord's My Shepherd

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer & 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

C Amen.

Hymn

LSB 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Silent Prayer

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Announcements

Upcoming Events:

- Voters Meeting: Our Quarterly meeting will be after the service this morning. We will be meeting in the basement following a short potluck.
- <u>Bible Class:</u> We will spend some time covering the topic of Civil
 Disobedience for Bible Class, followed by a study of the book <u>Has</u>
 <u>American Christianity Failed?</u> By Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller. If there
 are any other suggestions, please let me know.

Call News:

- Seminary Graduate Paul Agenten has accepted the call to St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran of Iron River, MI and Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, as a joint call.
- Pastor David Ude of Living Hope, Appleton, WI has received the call to Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye, MN
- Ms. Ann Sprengeler has accepted the limited call to teach lower grades from August through December 2024 in Valentine, NE
- Teacher Matthew Kranz of Immanuel, Mankato, MN has received the call to Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights, MN
- Teacher Neil Bernthal, Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL has received the call to Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire, WI
- Teacher Katie Naumann of Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL has returned the call to Luther Memorial, Fon Du, Lac, WI

Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday April 29th Redemption Sunday Service at 9 Sunday May 5th Redemption Sunday Service at 9 Sunday May 12th Redemption Communion Service at 9