

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

An AMMPARO Welcoming Congregation

... We Are God's People and the Sheep of God's Pasture ...

Psalm 100:3

Pastor Amy Zalk Larson (on sabbatical)

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2nd Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2022

9:30 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

ELW (red book in pew) Evangelical Lutheran Worship **ACS (purple book in pew)** All Creation Sings

Page numbers (P.) in front of red book and hymn numbers (#) in back of books;

Congregational responses are in **bold**; rise in body or spirit when indicated by *

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC: “A Hymn Of Glory Let Us Sing” - Paul Manz

PRAYER BELL - WELCOME – ANNOUNCEMENTS

***GATHERING SONG:** ELW 392 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus vs. 1,3,5



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the
sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to
tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your
his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful
lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of
foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you
vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: “Je - sus
ceived him when the for - ty days were o’er, shall our
sin - ners, earth’s re - deem - er, hear our plea where the
en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on
Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: “Je - sus



out of ev - ’ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood.”
hearts for - get his prom - ise: “I am with you ev - er - more”?
songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
out of ev - ’ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood.”

***GREETING** Grace to you and peace from the One who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before the throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. (Rev. 1:4)
And also with you.

***REVELATION LITURGY**

There in heaven stood a throne with one seated on the throne. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones with twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes. The twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne singing: (*from Rev. 4*)

ELW # 413 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty vs. 1-2

- 1. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!**
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.
- 2. Holy, holy, holy, all the saints adore thee,**
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea.
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

Then I saw between the throne and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered. The twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb and sing a new song. Joining them was the voice of many angels surrounding the throne numbering myriads and thousands of thousands. And every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and that is in them, together were singing: (*from Rev. 5*)

HYMN OF PRAISE P. 149 – Refrain sung first by the choir, congregation joins in on verse 1 and refrains to follow

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for Our God. Alleluia!

- 1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,**
Whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength
And honor and blessing and glory are his. (refrain)
- 2. Sing with all the people of God**
And join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might
Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
(Final Refrain) This is the feast of victory for our God,
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia! Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF THE DAY** Let us pray.....**Amen.**

WORD

READING: Revelation 1:4-18

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸ 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. ⁹ I, John, your brother who share with you in Jesus the persecution and the kingdom and the patient endurance, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰ I was in the spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, 'Write in a book what you see and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamum, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea.' ¹² Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands I saw one like the Son of Man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash across his chest. ¹⁴His head and his hair were white as white wool, white as snow; his eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined as in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, and from his mouth came a sharp, two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining with full force. ¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he placed his right hand on me, saying, 'Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I was dead, and see, I am alive for ever and ever; and I have the keys of Death and of Hades.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON: "Jesus Christ, the Firstborn of the Dead"

***HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 631 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
3 Come, Al-might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** *each petition ends: God of mercy, hear our prayer.*

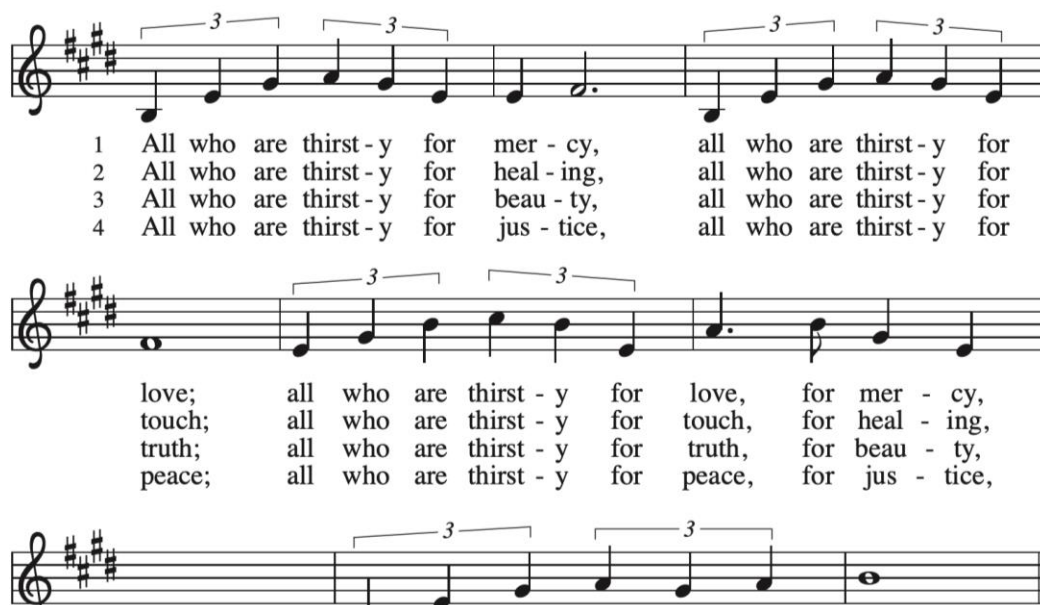
***PEACE:** The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always. **And also with you**

We share peace by waving to those worshipping online or through the public access channel.

MEAL

OFFERTORY MUSIC: “Yesu Ni Mtakatifu” - Deogratias Mahamba (words in Swahili and Bantu, meaning “Jesus, the Holy One”)

***OFFERING SONG: 955 Come to the Water of Life**



1 All who are thirst-y for mer - cy, all who are thirst-y for
 2 All who are thirst-y for heal - ing, all who are thirst-y for
 3 All who are thirst-y for beau - ty, all who are thirst-y for
 4 All who are thirst-y for jus - tice, all who are thirst-y for

love; all who are thirst - y for love, for mer - cy,
 touch; all who are thirst - y for touch, for heal - ing,
 truth; all who are thirst - y for truth, for beau - ty,
 peace; all who are thirst - y for peace, for jus - tice,

come: come to the Wa - ter of life.
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Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: WATER OF LIFE, Ray Makeever

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***OFFERING PRAYER Let us pray...Amen.**

***GREAT THANKSGIVING-HOLY P. 152**

***LORD'S PRAYER: P. 154 Our Father who art in Heaven...**

All are welcome at Christ's table. Ushers will direct you out of your pew, up the aisle near parking lot and to the altar rail where you can hold out your hands to receive the bread than is gluten free and dairy free. You will be offered a tray of red wine and yellow grape juice cups. Empty cups should be placed in the basket as you leave the altar. If you prefer a blessing, indicate that by placing your hands over your heart. You can also request a prepackaged individual serving of communion and partake of it at your pew.

We remain standing at the altar rail during the Easter season to celebrate the way we are raised to new life with the risen Christ.

COMMUNION HYMNS: P. 154 Lamb of God, ELW 535 Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises, ELW 482 I Come With Joy

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona

Refrain— sung twice each time



Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our



bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your



ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la.
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.



1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

Repeat stanza, then sing refrain



I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

Text: South African; tr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984

Music: HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA, South African

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I Come with Joy



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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*TABLE BLESSING

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** Let us pray... **Amen.**

SENDING

***SENDING SONG:** ELW 634 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! vs. 1, 4-6 (ON NEXT PAGE)



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.



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5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe 6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
on this terrestrial ball we at his feet may fall!
to him all majesty ascribe We'll join the everlasting song
and crown him Lord of all. and crown him Lord of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–1792, sts. 1–4; J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, sts. 5–6
Music: CORONATION, Oliver Holden, 1765–1844

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***BLESSING**

WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE TEMPLE TALK

SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL:

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Tell what God has done. **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER BELL - POSTLUDE: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" - Wilbur Held

The postlude sends us out for service in the world. Feel free to use this time in any way that helps to send you out!

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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP AND HOSPITALITY –USHER: Christy Tomlinson, Bob Naslund; READER: Bob Naslund; ASSISTING MINISTER:; ORGANIST/PIANIST: Brooke Joyce; PREACHER & PRESIDER: Rev. Dr. Rolf Svanoë; FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Jim & Kathy Buzza, Donna Bahr, Lindy Moeller

ADULT FORUM TODAY: Joann Hagen and Julie Fischer will present a program, entitled - A Vital Conversation Brought to you by lowans for Gun Safety **TODAY in the Gathering Space at 11: 05 AM.** Joann and Julie are active volunteers of the Peace and Justice Center. Joann is a member of The Friends Meeting congregation and Julie is a member of the Unitarian Universalist congregation in Decorah. A DVD on Gun Violence info will be followed by a discussion.

CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS! Please help the Good Shepherd Community by sharing your time and talents. Sign-ups in the Gathering Space & on the website under "Sign-Ups"

- **YOUTH FORUM/SUNDAY SCHOOL:** April - May
- **MINISTRY SUPPORT:** Assisting Minister, Usher, Cantor, Fellowship Hour
- **LAWN MOWING:** April - August
- **TRAVEL TESTIMONIES:** May - September

WELCA KIT ASSEMBLY & BIBLE STUDY: All are welcome to help assemble LWR Personal Care and Baby Care kits! After packing up the kits, stay if you wish for the April Gather Bible Study in the Gathering Space at 7:00 p.m. **Wanda Rueber** will lead the Bible Study, and **Connie Buresh** will provide refreshments.

ST. GRUBBY'S DAY: THIS Saturday, April 30th from 9:00-12:00 PM. People of all ages are invited to roll up their sleeves and help clean up both the inside and outside of the church. Please sign up in the Gathering Space or in the link in the weekly newsletter to provide an idea of who will be available to work. Job assignments will be given that day. **A pizza lunch will be provided in the Fellowship Hall!**

CRAIG SUNDE MEMORIAL SERVICE: There is a memorial service for former Good Shepherd member, Craig Sunde, THIS Saturday April 30th at 12:30 PM at Helms Funeral Home (Formerly Fjelstul Funeral Home).

1st QUARTER GIVING STATEMENTS: are available for pick-up in the Gathering Space. Please contact the church office if you would like yours mailed to you.

BOOK PRESENTATION & SIGNING: Rev. Dr. Rolf Svanoe published the book: *The Beast in the Pulpit, the Lamb in Our Hearts: Preaching the Book of Revelation in Mainline Churches Today*. There will be a presentation and book signing event at The Silver Birch **THIS Saturday, Apr 30 at 2:00**. Pastor Rolf wrote the book to encourage pastors in mainline denominations to engage the real message in Revelation.

MEF ADULT FORUM: The Mission Endowment Fund Committee will hold its annual Adult Forum next Sunday, May 1st. It will include a PowerPoint presentation on the future of the Good Shepherd EPIC (Education Partners in Covenant) ministry of providing matching grants, followed by open discussion and questions.

DECORAH CHORALE PRESENTS "ON OUR WAY": A Spring concert **Sunday, May 1 at 3 p.m.** at Decorah Lutheran Church broken into two parts: "See Again" and "Strength." Repertoire contains themes of acknowledging beauty around us, renewal, and recognizing strength in community and connection. *The Decorah Chorale is an adult mixed choral ensemble with members from Decorah and six surrounding Iowa and Minnesota communities.*

EWALU SPRING WORK WEEKEND: Saturday, **May 7th 8:00-4:00 PM** – RSVP at office@ewalu.org. More information in the Gathering Space.

CHURCH HOURS IN OFFICE THIS WEEK: Monday-Tuesday 8:30-3:30, Friday 8:00-10:00 am. Other days I am working from home and will respond to emails and voicemails within 24 hours on business days. **Contact the church office to be connected with a Pastor for Pastoral Care while Pastor Amy is on Sabbatical.**

PRAYER LIST:

Good Shepherd Family: Jerry & JoAnn Aulwes, Ingrid Callaghan, Angie Robison (Formerly Sadler), Jerrine Jacobsen, Glenn Nelson, Barbara Berg, Verne Koenig, Melanie Folkerts, Lowell Erdman, Ed Hover, Janet Gall, Jutta Anderson, Linda Lambert, all residents and staff at Aase Haugen, Eastern Star, Wellington Place, Mosaic Homes, and Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community, and those preparing for public ministry: Menzi Nkambule, Joseph Tiegen, and Kathryn Thompson

Relatives and Friends: Bob Bruce (Son of Jerry & Ruth Bruce), Robin Darland (Friend of Erik Berg), Sid Simpson (Brother in law of Marty Steele), Dennis Martin (brother-in-law of the Slinds), Melissa, Samuel and Declan Isenhardt (daughter and newborn grandchildren of Pam Kranzler), Richard Buresh (brother of Tom Buresh), Kristie & Hana Nelson (family of Knute Nelson), Karen & Randy Erion (friends of Charilyn & Ed Hover), Linda Morgan (sister of Jane Borelli), Nathaniel Judisch (son of Dave and Gail), Nathan Scheuerelein (grandson of Bonnie Flora), Lynzee Makowski (friend of Laurie Biedermann), John Monson (Martha Monson Lowe's father), Jane Hood (Martha Monson Lowe's cousin), Martha Johnson (daughter of Mickey Slind), Erik Wangsness (nephew of Sharon Drew), Janna Ramsey (niece of Angie Robison), Todd Hove (son of Gloria Hove), Virginia Hanson (former secretary of Good Shepherd), Aaron Buzza (son of Jim and Kathy), Bob Walli, Marilyn Walli, Norm Walli, (cousins of Marv Slind), Joanne Kramer (mother of Kerry Johnson), Katherine Hollander (Liz Fritz's sister), Donna Struve (mother of Jonathon Struve), Marian Brynsaas (sister of LaVerne Ramsey), Mary Beth & Bayo Oyebade and the Mashiah Foundation in Jos, Nigeria, and our Companion Synod in Hungary.

ALL ARE WELCOME AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH. God makes no exceptions. In the spirit of Jesus Christ, we offer trust and respect to all, including those who may experience alienation, distrust, or rejection. We rely on the healing, unconditional love of God to shape our community in the name of the Good Shepherd. In keeping with our welcome, Good Shepherd is a *Reconciling in Christ* congregation, affirming our welcome to gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer identifying persons to participate fully in the life of our congregation. We are an AMMPARO *Welcoming Congregation* - Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities.

Please sign the red hospitality books for the sake of welcome and as a record of worship attendance.
Guests, if you leave your email in the hospitality books, Our office will contact you if there is news of a positive case of COVID in worship.

WELCOME GUESTS. THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU HERE. We welcome you to Fellowship Hour today after worship!

ALL ARE WELCOME TO SHARE IN HOLY COMMUNION. It is Christ's table and Christ is the host. Instructions are included in the communion section of the Order of Worship.

THE PRESENCE, ENERGY, AND NOISE OF CHILDREN ARE MOST WELCOME HERE. The sound of a child in worship is the sound of a new Christian being formed. This congregation is glad to share in this work. We welcome and encourage kids to move and play. A nursery with toys and activity bags are available. Mothers are welcome to nurse anywhere that works for you and your child. An Infant Feeding Chair is available in the music office (hallway outside of sanctuary) for more privacy if desired.

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