

## Sunday, April 21, 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

*The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.*

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*Hymns and liturgy are located in the Red Hymnal unless otherwise noted.*

### *Gathering* \* indicates to stand if you are able

Prelude and Bell

Welcome and Announcements

\* Confession & Forgiveness **pg. 211**

\* “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, Alleluia!” **#369**

\* Greeting & Kyrie **pg. 213**

\* Hymn of Praise “Glory to God” **pg. 213**

\* Prayer of the Day

### *Word*

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12 (page 105 NT in pew Bible)

Psalm 23 (on screen)

Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24 (page 213 NT in pew Bible)

\* Gospel Acclamation **pg. 216**

\* Gospel: John 10:11-18 (page 90 NT in pew Bible)

(after announcement of Gospel: **Glory to you, O Lord**)

(response after reading of Gospel: **Praise to you, O Christ**)

Children’s Message

Message

“Have No Fear, Little Flock” **#764**

\* Statement of Faith: Apostle’s Creed **pg. 217**

\* Prayers of the Church

\* Sharing the Peace

### *Thanksgiving*

\* Offering/Offertory “Create in Me a Clean Heart” **#188**

\* Canticle of Thanksgiving **pg. 219**

\* Thanksgiving for the Word **pg. 220**

\* The Lord’s Prayer

### *Sending*

\* “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” **#502**

Dismissal and Bell

*Thank you to Pastor Chris Richards for leading us in worship today.*

### **Remember in your prayers**

*Anita Stoker, Mick Rose, those who serve in the military, families of victims of war, natural disasters, violence, those in our nursing homes and those who are homebound.*

## upcoming events and announcements

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**Coffee Hour** Join us in the fellowship hall each Sunday morning prior to worship at 10:00am for coffee and treats. All are welcome! If you able to help serve a coffee hour, please sign up on the bulletin board across from the church office.

**Camperships** are available to any youth or family from First Lutheran that would like to attend summer Bible Camp or a Family Bible Camp. The church will cover 40% of the registration cost. Available funds are on a first-come, first-serve basis. Contact the church office for more details.

**SW MN Synod Convention of Women** of the ELCA will be Saturday, May 4, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Redwood Falls. Make plans now to attend and join your sisters in Christ as we gather to "Be the Light." Come to the one-day convention for worship, speakers, displays and fellowship! Registrations are due Monday, April 22, but walk-ins are welcome. Contact Emilie Brustuen or Sharon Ehlers for more information.

**Reminder!** If you or someone you know is hospitalized, in a nursing home, or home-bound and would like a pastoral visit or Holy Communion, please contact church office at 320.589.3242. Hospital and nursing home staff can not contact the church without permission.

**Share & Care** meets at 8:30am on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. This group puts quilts together for Lutheran World Relief. All are welcome to join us. Sewing skills not needed as there are many other tasks to work on.

**Zipporah Bible Study** meets at 2:00pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the fellowship hall. All are welcome to join us!

**2024 KMRS Radio Broadcast** available dates are: May 19, June 30, Aug 25, Oct 6, and Nov 17. Help support the ELCA Worship Hour by sponsoring a broadcast (\$65) in memory or in honor of a loved one.

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### **Today's Worship Servants: Sunday, April 21**

**Ushers:** Dick Smith, Brian Erdahl, Jon Ulrich

**Lector:** Ally Plattner      **Nursery:** Bobbi Siegel

**Acolyte:** Micah Ulrich & Owen Anderson

**Video:** Steve Wagner      **TV Slides:** Jacoby Burnett

### **Next Week's Worship Servants: Sunday, April 28**

**Ushers:** Bob Heck, Odello family

**Lector:** Dorwin Tschetter      **Nursery:** Amy Dougherty

**Acolyte:** Braeden Huebner & Giana Feuchtenberger

**Communion Prep:** Elizabeth Harris (wafers)

**Communion Servers:** Doug & Sharon Ehlers, Millie Tschetter

**Video:** Tony Feuchtenberger      **TV Slides:** Aubrey Williamson

# welcome

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### **TODAY: Sunday, April 21**

10:00am: Sunday school

10:00am: Coffee/Fellowship

11:00am: Worship

2:30-4:00pm: Girl Scouts

### **Monday, April 22**

no events scheduled

### **Tuesday, April 23**

11:00am: Pastor's Text Study

12:00pm: Newsletter Articles Due

### **Wednesday, April 24**

6:00-7:30pm: Element/Confirmation

7:00-8:30pm: Sr. Fusion

### **Thursday, April 25**

8:30am: Share & Care (quilting group)

### **Friday, April 26**

7:15-8:00am: Fusion Friday Breakfast

### **Saturday, April 27**

8:00am: Men's Bible Study at Faith Lutheran

### **Sunday, April 28**

10:00am: Coffee/Fellowship

11:00am: Worship