

April 30, 2023—Fourth Sunday of Easter

Today is sometimes called “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Jesus is called the “gate” of the sheep in today’s gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us amid the world’s violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God’s tender care to all creation.

Gathering **Indicates to stand if you are able*

Prelude and Bell

Welcome and Announcements

* Thanksgiving for Baptism *(on screen)*

* “God is Here!” #526

* Greeting & Kyrie **pg. 213**

* Prayer of the Day

Word

Acts 2:42-47 *(page 104 OT in pew Bible)*

Psalm 23 *(on screen)*

1 Peter 2:19-25 *(page 205 NT in pew Bible)*

Choir: “Blessed Assurance” *arr. Joel Raney*

* Gospel Acclamation **pg. 216**

* Gospel: John 10:1-10 *(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

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” #502

* Statement of Faith: Apostles Creed **pg. 217**

* Prayers of the Church

* Sharing the Peace

Thanksgiving

Offering/Offertory

* Cantic of Thanksgiving **pg. 219**

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

* The Lord’s Prayer

Sending

Blessing

“The Day of Resurrection” #361

Dismissal and Bell

Remember in your prayers

Carol Voorhees, Carol Day, Anita Stoker, Marla Miller, Mick Rose, those affected by COVID-19, those who serve in the military, families of victims of war, natural disasters, violence, those in our nursing homes and those who are homebound. Continue to pray for the overseas missionary we support, Reverend Dr. Philip J. Knutson and Lou Knutson serving in South Africa.

upcoming events and announcements

TODAY! Bread for the World is a Christian citizens organization seeking to end hunger. Each year, Bread's Offering of Letters campaign engages churches, campuses, and other faith communities in writing personalized letters to Congress on issues related to hunger in the U.S. and around the world. Today we will be writing letters to Congress in support of a Farm Bill that builds healthy, equitable and sustainable food systems.

Lunch Bunch meets on Tuesday, May 3 at Mi Mexico. All are welcome!

Don't Miss Sunday, May 21! During the 9:30am worship service we will be honoring our graduating high school seniors and the Sunday school will be singing. Stay afterwards (10:30am) and join us in the fellowship hall for Family Bingo that will be a celebration for the end of Sunday school and our graduating seniors. Cake, ice cream and coffee will be served. ALL AGES are welcome; prizes for preschool through adults!

2023 KMRS Radio Broadcast available dates are: July 9, August 20, October 1 and November 12. Help support the ELCA Worship Hour by sponsoring a broadcast (\$65) in memory or in honor of a loved one. Contact the church office 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 Pastor Dan at 320.894.3577 or the church office at 320.589.3242. Hospital and nursing home staff can not contact the Pastor or church office without permission.

In Today's Service: Sunday, April 30

Ushers: Dick Smith, Doug Ehlers, Michael Bjorklund

Lector: Sharon Ehlers **Nursery:** Nesvig family

Acolytes: Aubrey Williamson & Brenna Jergenson

Video: Mike Odello **TV slides:** Giana Feuchtenberger

Next Week's Service: Sunday, May 7

Ushers: Steve Just family, Tim & Mady Grove

Lector: Ward Voorhees **Nursery:** Kristin Grove

Acolytes: Ian Grove & Connor Siegel

Communion: Laurie Feuchtenberger (bread)

Communion Servers: Liz Harris, Sharon & Doug Ehlers

Video: Kyle Dougherty **TV slides:** Tyson Grove

welcome

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TODAY	8:30am	Choir Rehearsal
Sun., April 30	8:30am	Sunday school
	9:30am	Worship (Bread for the World)
	10:30am	Coffee/Fellowship
	6:30-8:30pm	Sr. Fusion at First
Mon., May 1		— No events scheduled
Tues., May 2	11:00am	Pastor's Text Study
	6:00pm	Property Committee Meeting
Wed., May 3	11:30am	Lunch Bunch at Mi Mexico
	6-7:00pm	Element's Last Supper at Faith Lutheran
Thurs., May 4		— No events scheduled
Fri., May 5	10:00-12:00pm	Pastor at Common Cup
Sat., May 6	8:00am	Men's Bible Study at Faith Lutheran
Sun., May 7	8:30am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:30am	Coffee/Fellowship
	3:00-4:00pm	Cub Scouts
	6:30-8:30pm	Sr. Fusion at First