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SUNDAY, APRIL 25
JOHN 21:1-19

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LIVE
LOVE
LEAD
like Jesus

*let your
light
shine*

MATT. 6:18

ON BROADWAY



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
INSPIRE. EQUIP. REACH.



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WELCOME! Rich or poor... Satisfied or hungry... Liberal or conservative... Traditional or contemporary... Casual or formal... **WELCOME.** We are just glad you are here.

Please make yourself at home and let us know if there is anything you need. This bulletin will help you navigate worship at First Lutheran and opportunities to serve and connect with our faith community.



WHAT ARE WE ABOUT?

We want to make Jesus famous.

It is as simple as that. Our purpose in gathering here today is to make Jesus known and to know him better. Because if this isn't about Jesus, it isn't worth doing.



COMMUNION The sacrament of Communion is celebrated at all services the first and third Sundays and Wednesdays of each month. All are welcome to participate in this act of worship and remembrance. Children

who do not receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

WORSHIP We believe that all instruments, all voices and all people should praise the Lord. We do not worship a "style," we worship Jesus.



Traditional Worship follows a liturgy and the music centers around the organ and piano. The order of worship is inserted into the bulletin.

9 a.m. Sundays; 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Sanctuary on the north end of the church



CONNECTING We would love to get to know you better. Peruse our website for ways to connect through service, study, or community-building events. Fill out the blue post-it so we can keep in touch.



Celebration Worship uses a praise band and the order of worship and song lyrics are projected on the wall.

9 & 10:30 a.m. Sundays in the Celebration Center on the west end of the church



OFFERING We give tithes and offerings as an act of worship, obedience, and thanksgiving. If you are a guest, you are not expected or obligated to give.



BELONGING Each quarter, we host a new member BELONG class to introduce and welcome new members to First Lutheran. The next class will be held Sunday, May 23. Contact the church office for details.

The mission of First Lutheran Church is to bring people into a relationship with Jesus Christ and to help them grow in the Christian faith.

April 25, 2021: Live, Love, Lead Like Jesus

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Message	Pastor Corey Bjertness
Assisting Pastor	Pastor Stephanie Tollefson
Music Minister	Michael Olson
Cantor	Linda Jaeger

PRELUDE:

Brother James' Air — Searle Wright
Michael Olson, organist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS: *(please stand as you are able)*

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who gives us a new birth into a living hope, who raises us with Christ from death, who fills us with the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Let us repent of our sin, and claim the promise of God.

Silence for reflection

P: Living God,

C: We confess before you and one another our wrongful ways, our pursuit of perishable things, our own part in crucifying our Lord, Jesus Christ. Forgive us, O God; renew the face of the earth; and give us the assurance that you have rescued us from the power of sin, and have made us alive in the Spirit forever. Amen.

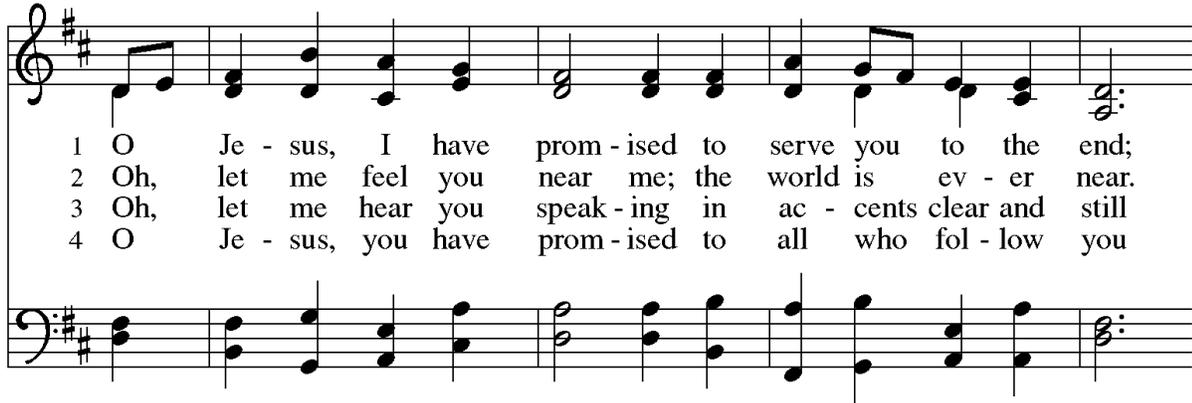
P: Christ suffered once and for all, in order to bring us back to God.

In the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven. Lay aside guilt, put away shame, for you are chosen and precious in God's sight. Live in the marvelous light of Christ.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN: *O Jesus, I Have Promised*

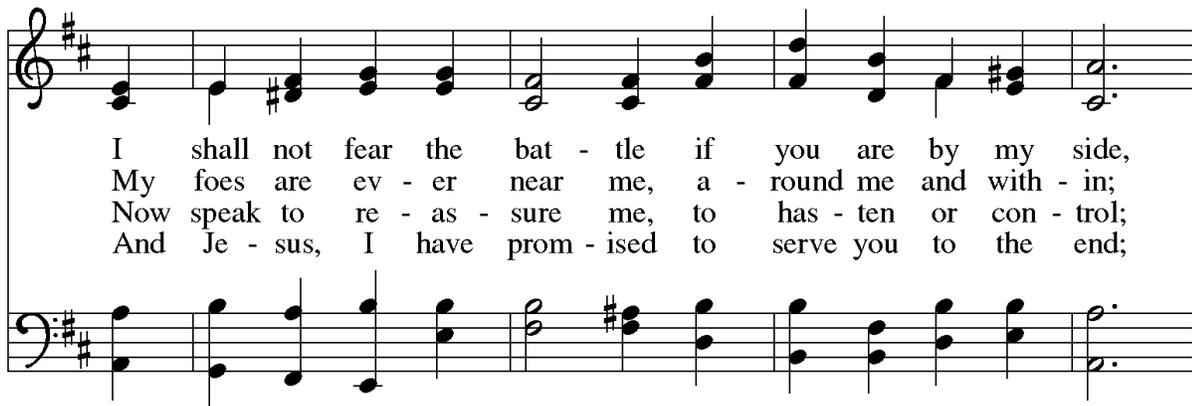
(ELW 810)



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still
4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you



re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

(please be seated)

VOCAL ENSEMBLE:

Brother James' Air — arr. Gordon Jacob

Linda Jaeger, Miriam Vogel, Kathy Ferreira, David Ferreira, Dorian Olson
Michael Olson, accompanist

GREETING:

P: 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.**



KYRIE:



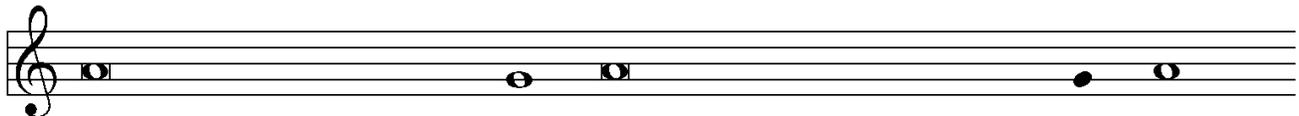
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



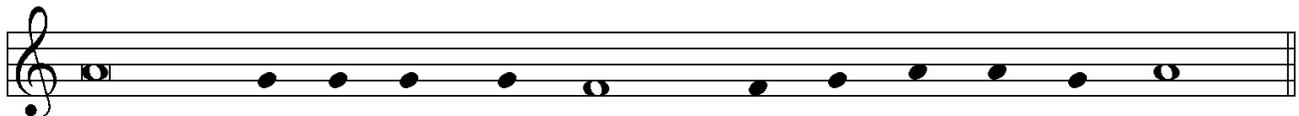
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



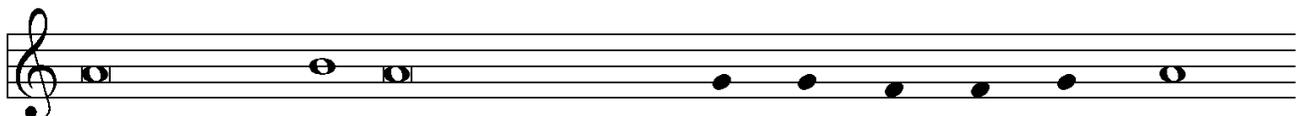
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



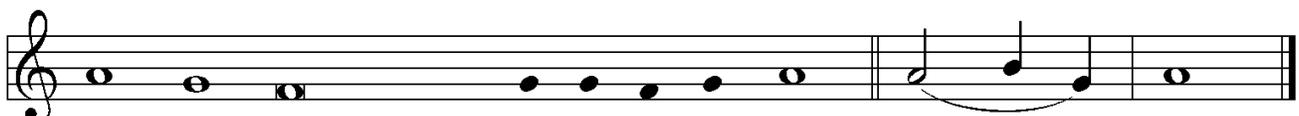
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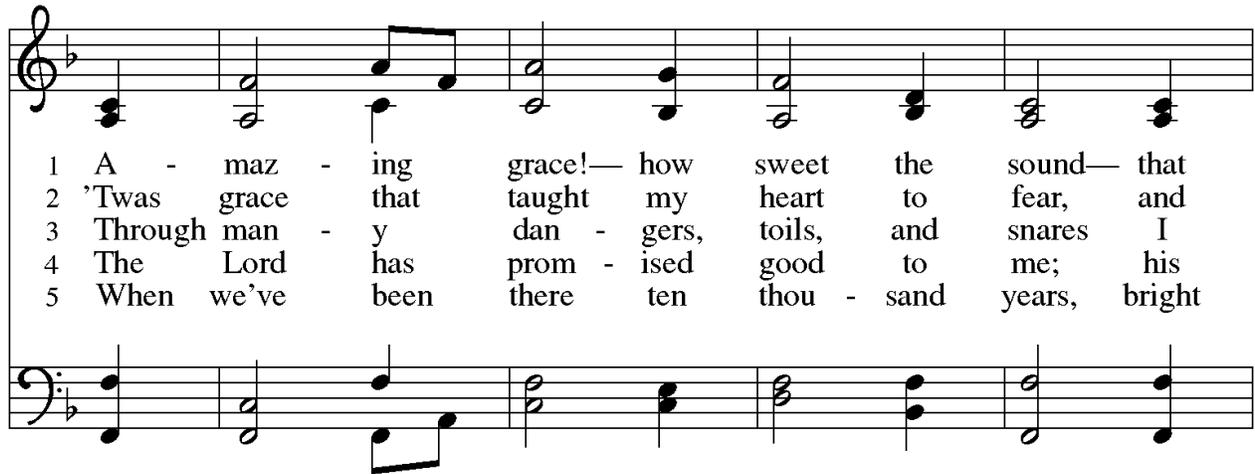
A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



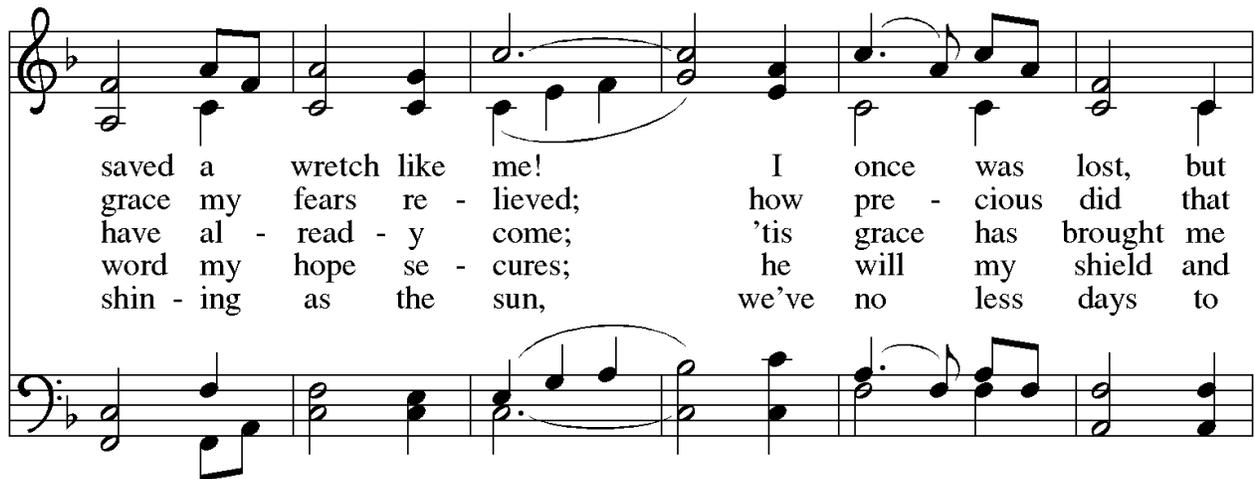
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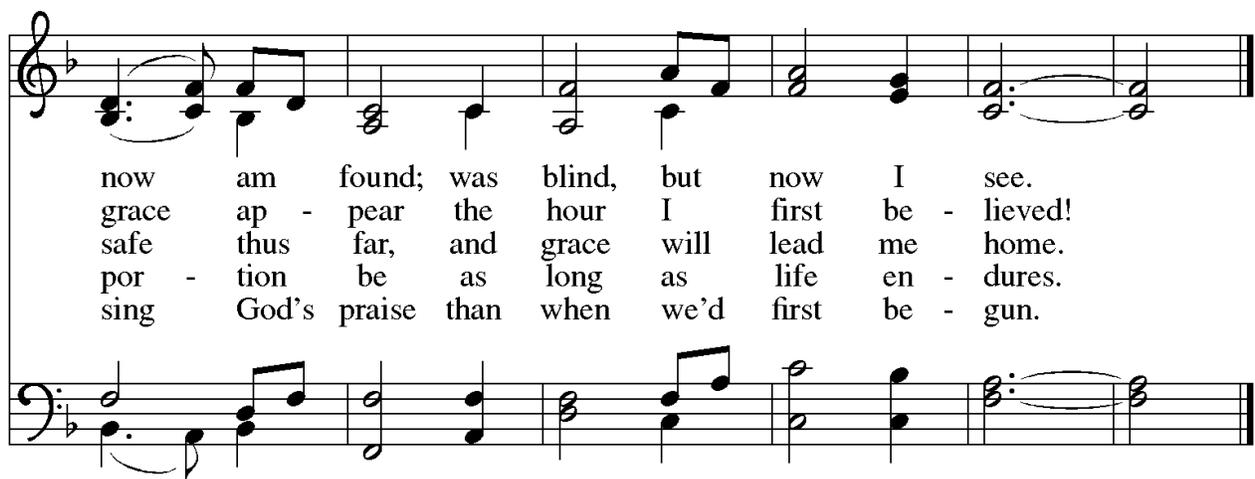
A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **G** A - men



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Let us pray.

C: **Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Revelation 5:11-14

(please stand as you are able)

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 READING: John 21:1-19

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on

some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

(please be seated)

MESSAGE: Pastor Corey Bjertness



1 Tú has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus -
 1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing
 2 You know full well what I have, Lord; nei - ther
 3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing
 4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the



ca - do ni a sa - bios ni a ri - cos; tan só - lo
 nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly
 trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my
 love for the rest of the wea - ry — a love that's
 long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing



quie - res que yo te si - ga.
 ask - ing for me to fol - low.
 fish nets and will for work - ing.
 will - ing to go on lov - ing.
 Friend, you have come to call me.



Refrain / Estribillo
 Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,
 Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom - bre, En la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi
 you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a - ban - doned my



bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.
 small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

OFFERING:

OFFERING OPTIONS

Thank you for your new or continued generosity towards God's mission at First Lutheran Church. In-person offerings may be dropped in the offering baskets at the entry/exit. Offerings can also be mailed to the church office and we encourage you to use our online giving and texting options.

Online Giving is an easy and convenient way to "set it and forget it."



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MAIL A CHECK: 619 Broadway, Fargo, ND 58102

MUSICAL MEDITATION:

The Lord's Prayer — Alfred Hay Malotte
Mavis Tjon, handbell soloist

APOSTLES' CREED: *(please stand as you are able)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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.**

(please be seated)

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

THE 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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

(please stand as you are able)

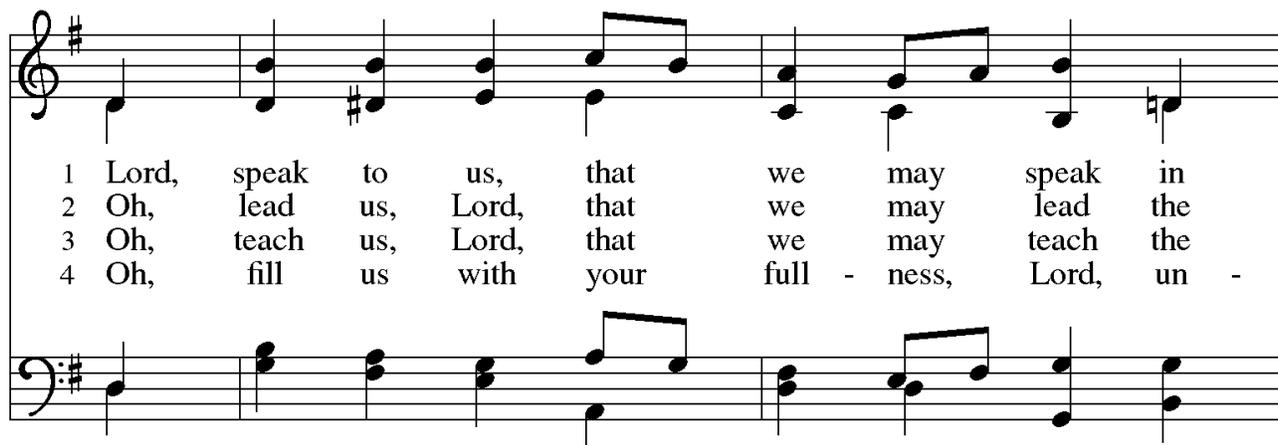
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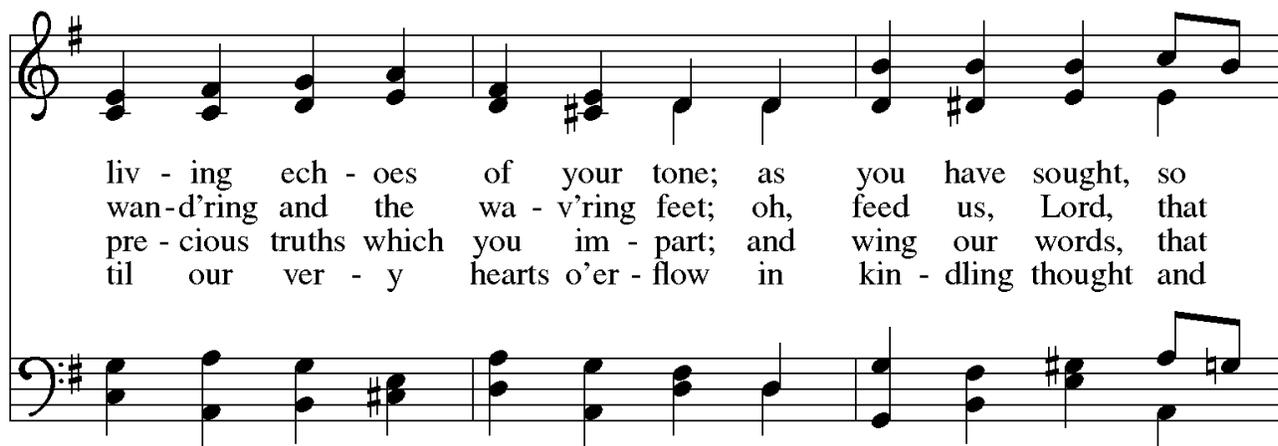
SENDING HYMN:

Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak

(ELW 676)



1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in
2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the
3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the
4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -



liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so
wan-d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that
pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that
til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and



let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.
they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.
glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

POSTLUDE:

Brother James' Air — Dale Wood
Michael Olson, organist

Christ is risen. The tomb is empty. Now what?

MAY SERMON SERIES | THE BOOK OF JAMES

PRACTICE RESURRECTION

Practice Resurrection: what do we do, and how do we live now that the tomb is empty?

We will practice together by reading and studying the book of James. Each Sunday we will take up one chapter in worship, and at 10:15 a.m. join us for coffee and conversation in the Adult Ed Room, hosted by the Sanctuary preacher.

Worship times: 9 a.m. in the Sanctuary and 9 and 10:30 a.m. in the Celebration Center.

May 2 - James 1

May 9 - James 2

May 16 - James 3

May 23 - James 4

May 30 - James 5



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NEWS & EVENTS

Visit our website for more detailed information and to register, flcfargo.org.

NEW WOMEN'S ONLINE BOOK STUDY STARTING IN MAY

Tuesdays, May 4-June 1, 1:30 p.m.
Thursdays, May 6-June 3, 7 p.m.
Register at flcfargo.org for the Zoom link

For the month of May, we as a church will be looking at the book of James for our sermon series called, "Practice Resurrection." Christ is risen. The tomb is empty. NOW WHAT? James calls us to be doers of the Word, not just hearers. Bob Goff's book, *Love Does*, helps us explore what that looks like. Pick up a copy of the book from your favorite book seller.

Contact Pastor Laurie, lneill@flcfargo.org, or 701.235.7389 with any questions.

MISSION SOUP: TO-GO

Sunday, April 25, 10 a.m.-noon, Great Hall

April 25 is the last Mission Soup of the season. Stop into the Great Hall to pick-up soup to-go. Proceeds benefit local and global non-profits providing assistance to those in need. Soup varieties include Knoephla, chili, chicken noodle, and more...

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Sundays, May 2-May 30, 10:15 a.m., Adult Ed Room

Join us for coffee and conversation each Sunday during May to dive into the book of James and further learn what it means to "Practice Resurrection." We'll begin with James chapter 1 on May 2. The chapters are short - we encourage you to read them weekly!

CHURCH OFFICE: 701.235.7389, info@flcfargo.org

OFFICE HOURS / WELCOME DESK:

MON, TUES, WEDS, THURS 8 a.m.—5 p.m.

FRI: 8 a.m.—12 p.m.

SUN 8:30 a.m.—12 p.m.

Wi-Fi: FLCGuest, password: FirstLutheran619

CELEBRATE PRAYER

We as God's people believe in the power of prayer. Please pray for the following who have asked to be prayed for publicly: *Brenda Cummins, Gail Zimprich, Janice Ames, Pam Burley, Paul Hulberg, Orlan Loraas, Dan and Janna Westerholm, Marilyn Parker, Betty Wilson, Liz Gibb, Roger Hansen, Marlene Young, Wes Briggs, Shawn Orvedal, Doug Aseby, Barb Orvedal, Charlotte Nielson, Linda Merkens, and George.*

The sympathy and prayers of First Lutheran are offered to the family and friends of **Erna Bang**, mother of Sue Ellen Nelson; and **Dorothy Friskop**, sister-in-law of LaMae Friskop..

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Kids are an important part of FLC! In-person classes will resume in Fall 2021. Online classes and at-home resources will continue through the school year.

Nursery (0-5 yrs): Closed until further notice (COVID precaution)

Kids at First (age 3-4th grade): at-home FLOCK Magazine and FLOCK online resources

56ers (5-6th grade): Wednesdays, 6 p.m., online Zoom

Servant Leadership Academy/Confirmation

(7-8th grade): Wednesdays, 7 p.m., online Zoom

Youth Group (9-12th grade): Wednesdays, 8 p.m., Great Hall

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THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 25

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Great Hall
- 10 a.m. Mission Soup To-Go, Great Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Celebration Center
- 12:30 p.m. Open Doors For All Nations Worship, CrossTalk Café

Monday, April 26

- 9 a.m. Quilters Ministry Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 1 p.m. Staff Meeting, Adult Ed Room

Tuesday, April 27

- 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
- 8 a.m. Helping Hands, Great Hall
- 9 a.m. MomTalk Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 1 p.m. Knit and Crochet Group, Bethany on 42nd
- 6 p.m. BeFriender Ministry Meeting, Adult Ed Room
- 6 p.m. Tae Kwon Do, Gym

Wednesday, April 28

- 8 a.m. Meal Prep for Churches United, Celebration Kitchen
- 12:45 p.m. Organ Recital by Michael Olson, Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship, Chapel/Great Hall
- 6 p.m. 56ers, online Zoom
- 7 p.m. SLA/Confirmation, online Zoom
- 8 p.m. Youth Group, Great Hall

Thursday, April 29

- 12 p.m. Small Group Bible Study, Heritage Room

Friday, April 30

- 12 p.m. Church/Church Office Closed
- 6 p.m. Rehearsal for Olson/Huset, Sanctuary

Saturday, May 1

- 3 p.m. Wedding of Abigail Olson and Forest Huset, Sanctuary

Sunday, May 2 - Communion Sunday

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Celebration Center
- 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Great Hall
- 10:15 a.m. Coffee and Conversation (book of James), Adult Ed Room
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Celebration Center
- 12:30 p.m. Open Doors For All Nations Worship, CrossTalk Café

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Sunday, May 2: James, chapter 1.

BAPTISM

Today we celebrate the baptisms of **Boone Johnson**, son of Michelle and Travis Johnson; **Paisley Pfaff**, daughter of Kaylee Stoetzer and David Pfaff; and the recent baptism of **Natalie Bushy**, daughter of Ashley Steiner and Matthew Bushy.

FLOWERS

The altar flowers in the Sanctuary are given in honor of **Paul Stark's** 90th birthday (April 30), from his family.

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BROADCAST SCHEDULE

- **Online:** Sundays 9 & 10:30 a.m., flcfargo.org and Facebook.
- **Radio:** Sundays 9 a.m., 970AM and 93.1FM.
- **TV:** Fargo: Sundays 1:30 p.m., Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. (channels Midco 68, Sparklight 1068); Moorhead: Sundays 5 p.m., Tuesdays 7 p.m. (channels Midco 99, Sparklight 69).