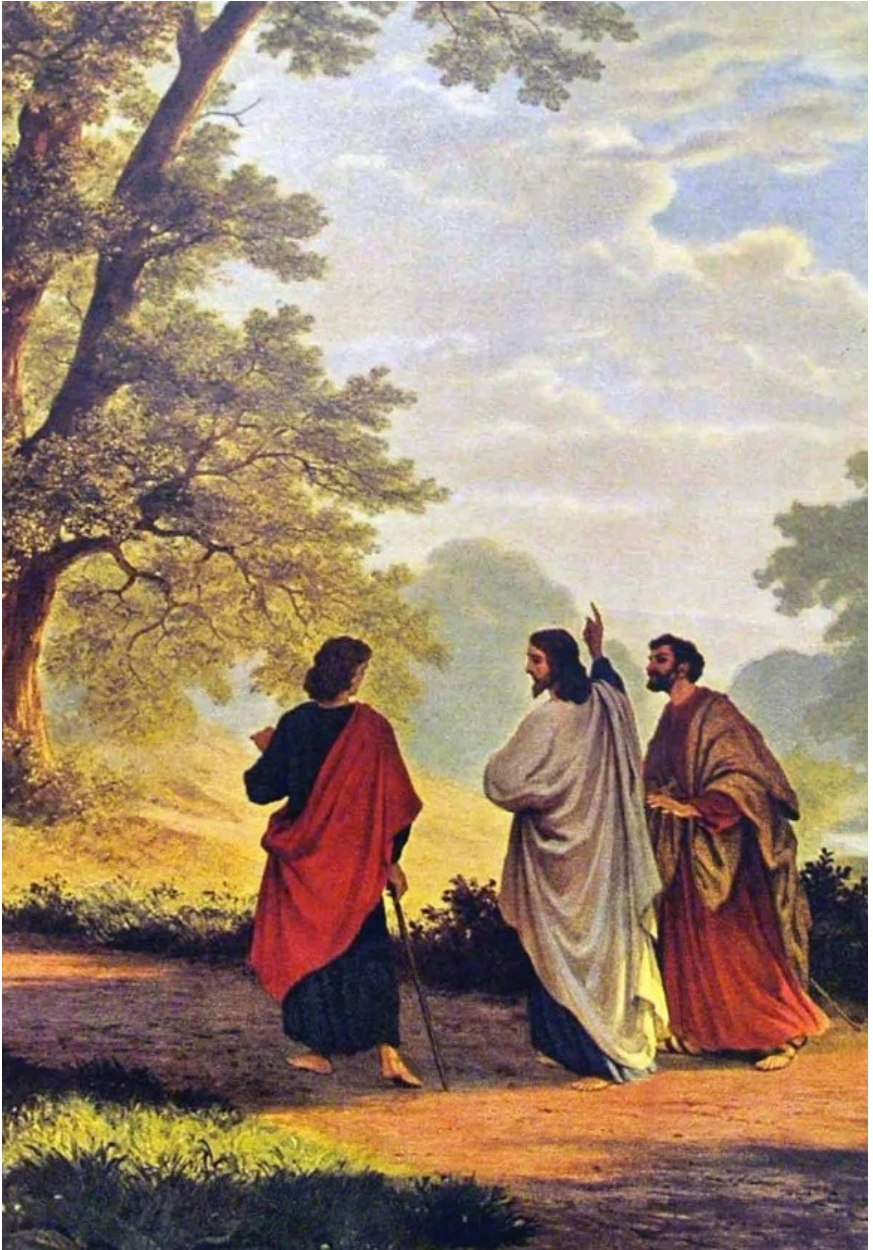


FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH



APRIL 19th 2026

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.
Please sign the guest register in the entry
as you leave the church today.

TODAY'S SERVICE

April 19th, 2026

Liturgy: Setting One, WS page 1

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Pastor Mark Bernthal

Organist:

Lila Brown

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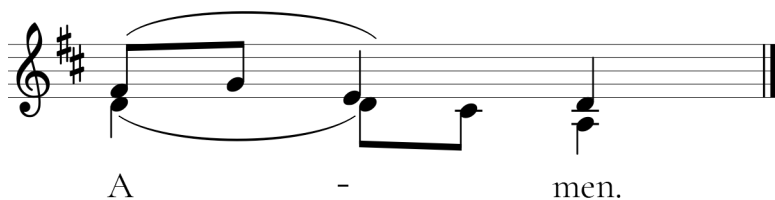
PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 116:1-14

I love the LORD, because He has heard My voice *and* my supplications. ² Because He has inclined His ear to me, Therefore I will call *upon Him* as long as I live. ³ The pains of death surrounded me, And the pangs of Sheol laid hold of me; I found trouble and sorrow. ⁴ Then I called upon the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I implore You, deliver my soul!" ⁵ Gracious *is* the LORD, and righteous; Yes, our God *is* merciful. ⁶ The LORD preserves the simple; I was brought low, and He saved me. ⁷ Return to your rest, O my soul, For the LORD has dealt bountifully with you. ⁸ For You have delivered my soul from death, My eyes from tears, *And* my feet from falling. ⁹ I will walk before the LORD In the land of the living. ¹⁰ I believed, therefore I spoke, "I am greatly afflicted." ¹¹ I said in my haste, "All men *are* liars." ¹² What shall I render to the LORD *For* all His benefits toward me? ¹³ I will take up the cup of salvation, And call upon the name of the LORD. ¹⁴ I will pay my vows to the LORD Now in the presence of all His people.

You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.





Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1. ___ Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
5. For the Lamb _____ who was



slain, whose blood set us free
 strength, and hon - or, bless -
 God, and join in the hymn of
 might be to God and the Lamb for -
 slain has be - gun His reign.



to be peo - ple of God. *refrain*
 ing, and glo - ry are His. *refrain*
 all cre - a - tion: *stanza 4*
 ev - er. A - men. *refrain*
 Al - le - lu - ia. *final refrain*

Final Refrain

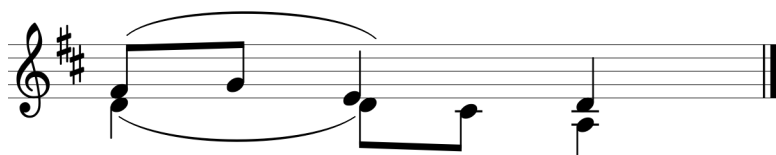


This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

p Let us pray . . . O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - men.

THE WORD

Acts 2:36-41 ³⁶ "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you cruci-

fied, both Lord and Christ." ³⁷ Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?" ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ "For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." ⁴⁰ And with many other words he testified and exhorted them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation." ⁴¹ Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to *them*.

Luke 24:13-35 ¹³ Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ And they talked together of all these things which had happened. ¹⁵ So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶ But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him. ¹⁷ And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?" ¹⁸ Then the one whose name

was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?" ¹⁹ And He said to them, "What things?" So they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ "and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. ²¹ "But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened. ²² "Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us. ²³ "When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. ²⁴ "And certain of those *who were* with us went to the tomb and found *it* just as the women had said; but Him they did not see." ²⁵ Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ "Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?" ²⁷ And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. ²⁸ Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther. ²⁹ But

they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them. ³⁰ Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. ³² And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" ³³ So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those *who were* with them gathered together, ³⁴ saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ And they told about the things *that had happened* on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



These words are written that we may believe that



Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe 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 everlasting. Amen.

#197:1,2,4,5 Where Wilt Thou Go

SERMON

1 Peter 1:17-25 ¹⁷ And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay *here* in fear; ¹⁸ knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *like* silver or gold, from your aimless conduct *received* by tradition from your fathers, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. ²⁰ He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you ²¹ who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. ²² Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart, ²³ having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever, ²⁴ because "All flesh is as grass,

And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, And its flower falls away, ²⁵ But the word of the LORD endures forever." Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

THE PRIVILEGE OF SONS

Live in Fear - Live in Love



The image shows two staves of musical notation in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. It contains a whole rest followed by a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The second staff continues with quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, followed by a dotted quarter note G4, another dotted quarter note G4, and a quarter note G4. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Create in me a cleanheart, O
God. Re - new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me

not a - way from Your presence; take not Your Ho-ly
 Spir-it from me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal-
 va - - tion. Up -
 hold me with Your free Spir - it.

#728 Christ Is Living

Offering Hymn #442:2

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee gladly, freely of
 Thine own, With the sunshine of Thy goodness melt our
 thankless hearts of stone. Till our cold and selfish natures,
 warmed by Thee, at length believe, That more happy and
 more blessed 'tis too give that to receive

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

9 am Worship Service
10 am Sunday School
10:15 am Council Meeting
11:15 am Elders

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

2 pm Bible Class

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

3:45 pm Confirmation Class

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

7 pm Voters Meeting

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

9 am Communion Service
10 am Sunday School
10:15 am Bible Class

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service -120
General Fund- \$3218
Missions - \$108
Building Fund - \$ 2050
Building Fund in memory of Kent
Quade - \$1000
Sunday School – 13
No Bible Class

USHERS FOR APRIL

Mike Dumke, Paul Eserhut,
Andy Kohn, Parker Kohn

USHERS FOR MAY

Ryan Krueger, Dan Thiem,
Todd Thiem, Austin Thiem

COUNTER

This Week Team # 5

Keith Dickerson, Allen Henke

Next Week Team # 6

Jim Kok, Greg Suwanski

VOTERS' MEETING

Quarterly voters meeting 7pm on
April 23

VBS

Volunteer and snack sign up sheets
are on the bulletin board.

LAWN MOWING

There is a sign-up sheet on the bul-
letin board for mowing

MISSION HELPER PROGRAM

Will be traveling to East Africa this summer. On this trip they will be teaching approximately 4,500 kids the saving Gospel message of our Savior! The Mission Helpers are asking whoever is able to donate money to help them provide gifts to each of the kids. There is a basket in the back of church for any donations or see the bulletin board for Venmo information. Thank you.

SNACKS FOR AFTER CHURCH

Heartfelt gratitude to all those who have been bringing snacks for fellowship after church. It is not an easy thing to do but it is appreciated.

If you are able to help in the future there is a signup sheet on the bulletin board.

BUILDING FUND

The building fund currently has about \$10,000. We need \$20,000 to redo the church roof this summer. We also need another \$40,000 within the next few years to redo the school roof.

CLC CONVENTION

The CLC convention this year is June 25-28 in Eau Claire WI. The Great Lakes delegates conference is in Madison June 1-2. We are looking for two volunteers to go to both as delegates. If you are willing to be considered, please let Pastor or Jared Swyter know.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Acts 2:42-47

Psalms 23

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

CALL NEWS

The Call Committee for Graduates has extended the call to Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY, to ILC Education Program Graduate Mr. Orrin Hanel

Teacher Ross Kok of Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ, has returned the call to teach grades 3-4 and serve as associate principal at Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor David Pfeiffer of Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC, has returned the call to Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI.

Pastor Rob Sauers of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL, has returned the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ.

Pastor Michael Wilke of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI, has received the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor Jonah Albrecht of Redemption Ev. Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, and Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA, has received the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI.

Pastor Del Maas of Gift of God Lutheran Church, Mapleton, ND, and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ponsford, MN, has retired due to non-life-threatening health concerns. His last service was March 29, 2026.

RETIREMENTS

Pastor Ted Barthels of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Austin, MN, has announced his retirement from the pastoral ministry as of April 30, 2026

Sermon Worksheet - 1 Peter 1:17-25

Why did the customers decide to return the new sofa set and bring back the old couch?

What is the “old couch” to in your life?

What “new couch” do believers receive through Christ?

What two responsibilities come with being called children (sons) of God?

How is “reverent fear” different from being terrified of God?

What does it mean to be “redeemed,” and what price was paid for redemption?

Why might you fear touching the Mona Lisa or the Crown Jewels? How does this relate to your salvation?

Why should we “love one another deeply?”

How have you received a loving heart?

What is the main message of the sermon, stated in one or two sentences?



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