



April 21, 2024, 10:00 am
4th Sunday in Easter



GATHERING

The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Choir

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the God of new life, the wellspring of grace,
our source of hope, joy and love.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are renewed and reborn.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**In your all encompassing love,
you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the risen Christ.
In baptismal waters we experience new life day after day.**

We give thanks to you for oceans, lakes, rivers and streams;
waters that wash us, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.
And especially for the life-giving water of baptism.

**Wash away all that separates us from you and each other.
Embolden our witness to your ability to bring life from death.
Strengthen our resolve to seek justice for all.
We ask this through the risen Christ. Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

"The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing"

ELW 531

The trumpets sound, the angels sing, the feast is ready to begin;
the gates of heaven are open wide and Jesus welcomes you inside.

(Refrain:) Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight,
come and revel in heaven's love and light; take your place at the table of the King,
the feast is ready to begin, the feast is ready to begin.

Tables are laden with good things, O taste the peace and joy he brings;
he'll fill you up with love divine, he'll turn your water into wine. *(Refrain)*

The hungry heart he satisfies, offers the poor his paradise;
now hear all heaven and earth applaud the amazing goodness of the Lord. *(Refrain)*

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

ELW pp. 140-141

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

Choir

First Reading

Psalms 23

The LORD is my shepherd,

I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

and leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul.

and leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

Gospel Acclamation

ELW p. 142

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

John 10:11-18

Jesus says: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

Pastor Jim Killough

The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want. he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

He leadeth me, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake;
within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still;
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast richly spread in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.
My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me,
and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be;
and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be.

Text: The Psalms of David in Meeter, Edinburgh, 1650

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

The Prayers of the People

As petitions conclude: "God of grace," respond "hear our prayer."

Sharing of God's Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL _____ *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus*

Offering & Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

ELW pg. 144

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW pg. 144

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion

Communion Hymn

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

ELW 484

(Refrain:) You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.

Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
so when you call your fam'ly, Lord, we follow and rejoice. *(Refrain)*

\With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude
that you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heav'nly food. *(Refrain)*

Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord? *(Refrain)*

The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell:
whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell. *(Refrain)*

You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be,
to serve each other in your name in truth and charity. *(Refrain)*

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997; Text © 1977 Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Communion Blessing & Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING _____ *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Blessing

Sending Hymn *“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”* ELW 536

God be with you till we meet again; by good counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.

(Refrain:) Till we meet, (till we meet,) till we meet, (till we meet again,)
till we meet at Jesus' feet; (till we meet,) till we meet, (till we meet,)
till we meet, (till we meet again.) God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; holy wings securely hide you,
daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. *(Refrain)*

God be with you till we meet again; when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you; God be with you till we meet again. *(Refrain)*

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828-1904, alt.

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

(Setup for Sunday Supper, takes place following worship in the Fellowship Hall.)

We Hold in Prayer this Week

Those Grieving: Family and friends of John Rutledge, friend of Surridges.

God's Healing Presence: Debbie Trosvig; Mary Beck; Pat Krassin; Sheryn Todd;
Gayle & Dave's niece Amanda; Ben & Carol's friend Mark; Beth's friend Kamm;
Mary Beck & Janis Ahern friend Ardy; Bishop Elizabeth Eaton; Peggy's friend Terri;
Debbie's friend Shawndra; Carol Jodock; Debbie's SIL Susan; Surridges' friends
Donald, Nancy & Carol; brother-in-laws of Surridges, Mike & Dwight.

Prayers for our world, nation, and communities: The families and communities
experiencing natural disasters and major storms. The families and communities that
are grieving the loss of loved ones by gun violence. The people of Ukraine and the
Middle East. All refugees and all those who are facing violence.

Announcements

Special Congregational Meeting next Sunday, April 28, following worship,. We will elect two people to serve as Voting Members at the Northwest Washington Synod Assembly and the Nominating Committee.

A New Church Directory is being put together. Draft copies are located on the tables at the back of the church. Please check to see if your information is correct.

Pastor Jim will be attending the Bishop's Convocation Monday through Wednesday of this week.

Faith Formation Survey The April online newsletter had a link to a Faith Formation Survey. Paper copies of the survey are on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

A new monthly Communion Bread rotation begins in May. If you are interested, contact Pastor Jim for more details. There is sign-up on the bulletin board.

Mission of the Month: Lutheran World Relief tackles global poverty by helping people adapt to the challenges that threaten their livelihoods and well-being. LWR provides aid in emergencies and helps families restore their lives.

The Sunday Supper Team is looking for donations of small lunch size chip bags, bottled water, soft granola bars, packaged cookies or cookies we can divide into smaller sandwich bags. Due to nutrition guidelines we cannot get those items from the community pantry. Thank you for supporting this community project.

Sunday School takes place Sundays at 9:15 am, in the room next to the Nursery. All toddlers, preschoolers, and elementary age children are welcome.

Sunday Morning Fellowship follows worship in the Friendship Room. You may sign up to host a week. (set up, prepare coffee, provide refreshments, and clean up.)

Worship Leaders	This Sunday, April 21	Next Sunday, April 28
Ushers	Steve Olsen, Dave Watts, Dave Finstad	Steve Olsen, Dave Watts, Dave Finstad
Greeters	Kathy Trosvig	TBA
Lector	Dave Kurtz	Nancy Olsen
Assisting Minister	Dave Finstad	Jonathan Todd
YouTube Operator	Jonathan Todd	Jonathan Todd
Keyboard	Kristi Lee	TBA
Communion Bread	Pastor Jim	Pastor Jim
Fellowship Host	Meagan Semore	Jean Lilley
Altar Guild	All members	All members

This Week at Central

(Montessori School meets Monday - Friday, 7:00 - 4:30)

Sunday, April 21

- 8:45 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 9:30 am Society of Friends Worship
- 10:00 am Central Lutheran Worship
- 2:30 pm Marshallese Worship
- 5:00 pm Sunday Supper
- 6:30 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Monday, April 22

- 9:30 am Quilters

Tuesday, April 23

- 5:00 pm Academia Latina

Wednesday, April 24

- 8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network
- 5:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Thursday, April 25

- 8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network
- 5:00 pm Academia Latina
- 7:00 pm Marshallese Women's Group

Friday, April 26

- 6:00 pm Marshallese Children's Group

Saturday, April 27

- 3:00 pm NA Fundraising Event

Sunday, April 28

- 8:45 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 9:30 am Society of Friends Worship
- 10:00 am Central Lutheran Worship
- 11:00 am Special Congregational Meeting
- 2:30 pm Marshallese Worship
- 5:00 pm Sunday Supper
- 6:30 pm Marshallese Fellowship