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Little Lambs Preschool
576-6308

We extend a special welcome to all who worship with us in God's House today. If you have no church home, we invite you to make Good Shepherd your church home.



May 17, 2026
The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Please sign the attendance binder in the pew and mark Communion if you partake

If you need communion at your seat, please let pastor know before service.

Order of Service

Divine Service: Setting 3 Page 184
Opening Hymn: 461 sts 1-4
Sermon Hymn: 461 sts 5-8
Distribution: 594, 627, 728, 487
Closing Hymn: 465

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD

TODAY

9:00am-Divine Service w/HC
SS Kids are singing during service
Last day of Sunday School
10:30am SS/Adult Bible Study

MONDAY

12:00pm-LL Preschool
6:00pm-Health & Safety Meeting

TUESDAY

8:15am-LL Preschool
9:00am-Sewing
9:00am-JOY Group
12:00pm-LL Preschool
6:30pm-Trustees
7:00pm-Council

WEDNESDAY

10:30am-Lamplighters
12:00pm-LL Preschool

THURSDAY

7:00am-Men's Bible Study
8:15am-LL Preschool

FRIDAY

8:15am-LL Preschool
10:00am-3yr old Preschool Program

SATURDAY

5:00pm – Divine Service

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00am-Divine Service
10:30am-Adult Bible Study

*Seventh Sunday of
Easter*



In Our Prayers:

Wanda Wiese
Sharon Musselman
Bill Peterson
Sharon McNeil
Dorothy Kester
Norman Prewitt
Mardell Prewitt
Brexton Hines
Ken Ropte
Peggy Anderson
Lynette Bossart
Sandra Fiala
Sherry Richardson
Debbie Monical

Baptismal Birthdays:

Ezra Kastendieck-May 17
William Peterson-May 19
Mark Johnson-May 20
Rusty Gregerson-May 21

Celebration of Life Birthdays

Dick Lindner-May 19th
Willis Kester-May 19th

Attendance – 25, 87

Gifts to the Lord:
Envelope/Plate - \$2094.25
Mission Central-\$20
Online-\$520
Total of all Gifts: 2634.25

Acolytes

5/17-Addison Thackery & Jaidyn
Walters

Organist/Pianist

5/16-Jan Altemeier
5/17-Mandy Kastendieck

May Ushers

Gary Koch
Darrell Sturtz

Elders in charge of communion:

5/16-Dwight Wedemeyer
5/17-Terry Allers & Mike Wiese

Little Lambs Preschool

3yr Old Program

May 22nd at 10am

*Attn Prayer Partners-if you would like to provide a gift or a card, please have them here by Tues May 19th.



Health & Safety Committee Meeting

Monday, May 18th @ 6 PM

Office Closed
Monday 5/25
Memorial Day



Save the date for the June LWML Group Meeting-Tuesday, June 9th

Grilling burgers and brats. Please bring a salad to share.

In-Service will be donations for the SALT Center.

Stewardship

Spring lifts our eyes to God's renewing work; from hearts set on Christ, generosity flows freely and joyfully.

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth."
— Colossians 3:2

Introit

Psalm 100; antiphon: Psalm 101:1

P: I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

C: to you, O LORD, I will make music.

P: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

C: Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

P: Know that the LORD, he is God!

C: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

C: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

P: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

C: and his faithfulness to all generations.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

C: to you, O LORD, I will make music.

Collect

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

WORD OF GOD VERSE

833 v 3 Listen, God Is Calling

Leader: Listen,

All: listen, God is calling Through the Word inviting, Offering forgiveness, Comfort, and joy.

Leader: Help us to be faithful,

All: Standing steadfast,

Leader: Walking in Your teachings,

All: Led by Your Word.

Leader: Listen,

All: listen, God is calling Through the Word inviting, Offering forgiveness, Comfort, and joy.

First Reading

Acts 1:12–26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. ¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the Book of Psalms, "'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and "'Let another take his office.'" ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.



Epistle

1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evil-doer or as a meddler. ¹⁶Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" ¹⁹Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. . . . ⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Gospel

John 17:1–11

¹When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. ⁶"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."

Donations needed for our DCE Intern's Apartment

We are looking for furniture items such as a dining room table, chairs, couch, etc.

There is a sign up sheet in the narthex. Please put your name and what you would like to donate. This way we won't get duplicate items.

****We will reach out when we know his final needs.**



Thank you for your help!



OUTDOOR SERVICE AND
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, MAY 31ST AT 9AM

BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS
WORSHIP WITH US
STAY FOR BREAKFAST!

THANK YOU TO THE ELDERS FOR
PROVIDING BREAKFAST!



VBS will be June 14th thru June 18th

We need volunteers!

Cheryl Eichler will be the director again this year. She will be coordinating volunteers interested in helping. Please contact Cheryl at 620-366-3023 if you would like to help.




****We are in need of solid color bedsheets to make togas. Any size will work. If you have any to donate, please bring them to the church office.**



Stewardship Corner:

1 Peter 5:6–7 – “Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.” We have a Father in heaven who really cares for us and loves us. That is the basis of generosity, because such knowledge spells the end of worry, which is the source of all tightfisted greed.



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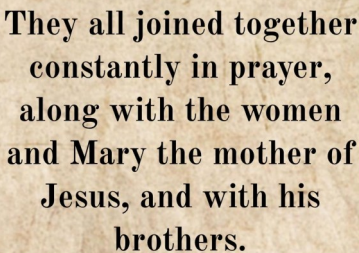
1 PETER 5:6–7 (ESV)

truthforlife.org

Building Healthy Families: Psst... have you ever noticed how nearly impossible it is to tune out a whispered conversation nearby? Kids certainly can't. Parents, you can actually use that to your advantage—by letting them “accidentally” overhear the things you most want them to learn. When they catch you speaking warmly about your spouse, it quietly builds their sense of security at home. When they overhear you saying good things about their teacher, it shapes how they show respect and cooperation at school. And when they hear you expressing genuine appreciation for your pastor, it naturally nurtures their respect for him as well. Those little, overheard moments? They often speak louder than a message communicated directly!

www.LutheranFamilyService.org
Lutheran Family Service

“We are no longer terrified sinners but God’s own children because of what Jesus has done for us. And so, the Day of Judgment becomes good news for us—because it is the day when the One we love most returns to bring us home in peace.” *Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries* A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life
<https://lutheransforlife.org/>



They all joined together
constantly in prayer,
along with the women
and Mary the mother of
Jesus, and with his
brothers.

– Acts 1:14 NIV

“Don’t Despise Small Beginnings”

Our small efforts to become the people Jesus saved us to be might seem insignificant, but small efforts compound. (Acts 1:14)

Hear about it on the Lutheran Hour WHO (1040 AM) 7:30 am. Sunday, KTLB (105.9 FM) at 8:00 am Sunday, KQWC (95.7 FM) at 11:00 am KHBT (97.7 FM) at 11:30 am Sunday. Log on to www.lhm.org for other stations and details.



4 Year Old Lead Preschool Teacher Needed

Position is Part-Time with Full-time Potential

Sign on Bonus for Qualified Candidate

Must have BA in Early Childhood Education

Contact Joan Arndt @ Little Lambs Preschool

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MEMORY VERSE

I AM SURE OF THIS,
that He who began
a good work in
you will bring it to
completion at the day
of **JESUS CHRIST.**

PHILIPPIANS 1:6



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