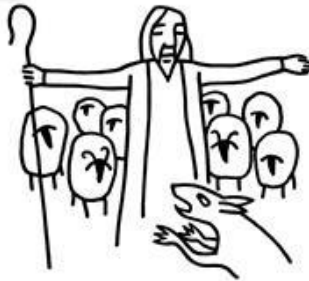




CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH



Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

9:00 am

*GROUNDING IN THE GOSPEL, GUIDED
BY THE SPIRIT, WE ARE A PEOPLE
AND PLACE OF GRACE!*

WELCOME!

Chisago Lake Lutheran Church
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WELCOME TO CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH!

We are so glad you are here. At Chisago Lake Lutheran Church, we are “Grounded in the Gospel, Guided by the Spirit.” We are a people and a place of grace, where we welcome and invite all people to come as you are and be open to who God calls you to be.

- Children are wanted & welcome in worship. Activity bags and kits are available and a special children’s message is shared at each service.
- There are devices to assist those who are hearing impaired at the front entrance when you enter. Please see an usher for guidance as needed.
- We practice open communion at Chisago Lake Lutheran Church. We believe God’s love, mercy and grace extends to all people offering new life and new beginnings. We join with the Psalmist in Psalm 34:8 inviting you to “Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who put their trust in him.”
For your convenience, gluten-free wafers are available by request, and a non-alcoholic juice option is always available in the light-colored center cups for those who prefer.
- We invite you to write your name and contact information on the blue connect card in the pew in front of you and/or sign our guest book in the entry. If you would like to be included on our email list, please add your email address. We would love to keep you informed of what’s happening around Chisago Lake Lutheran! You can drop your card in the offering baskets or at the Welcome table in the entryway. Thank you!

Be Well! Be Loving! Be Courageous! Be the Church!

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL *“Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!”* ELW #377

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We gather in the name of
the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

KYRIE

ELW p. 147-148

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW p. 149

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

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
And honor and blessing and glory are his.**

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

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

**This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun
his reign.**

Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Psalm 23, Pew Bible OT p.507
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING 1 John 3:16-24, Pew Bible NT p.230

CHILDREN MESSAGE Stacy Johnson

ALLELUIA ELW p.151
**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL John 10:11-18, Pew Bible NT p.98
The Gospel according to St. John.
Glory to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel – the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON *“Unity Takes Courage and Leadership”* Pastor Brian

HYMN OF THE DAY *“Shepherd Me, O God”* ELW #380

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”* ELW Hymn #186

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.
Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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 God thanks and praise.

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever.**

Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Please come forward as instructed or alert the ushers if you would like the elements brought to you. For your convenience, gluten-free wafers are available by request, and a non-alcoholic juice option is always available in the light-colored center cups for those who prefer.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Now We Join in Celebration"

ELW #462

"I Am the Bread of Life"

ELW #485

COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PRAYER CONCERNS – *Please contact the office with any requests or updates.*

- Prayers for strength and God's presence with Pat and Dale Williams following Dale's extensive surgery and diagnosis this week.
- Prayer request for Ellen Hawkinson's cousin, Roland, who lives in Kansas. His platelets are disappearing faster than they're being made. He has gone through several tests to find the cause of disappearing platelets. He has been told 'He is dying'. Roland asks for "prayers to be strengthened for all he is going through".
- Deepest condolences and prayers for the family and friends of Marlene Lenz who passed away this week.
- Sympathy and prayers for Sumner and Joan Johnson on the passing of their daughter in law following a long battle with cancer.
- Continued prayers for Aloha Vitalis on her move to Golden Ages Manor in Amery.

Current Ways to Give to the Church Thank you for sharing your generosity with Chisago Lake Lutheran! You have continued to share what God's entrusted to you and we are grateful. Ways you can give include:

1. Mail your envelope/check to the church office at 1 Summit Ave, PO Box 175, Center City, MN 55012
2. Or sign up for regular online giving through our partner company Vanco on the church [website](#). It is secure, convenient, and assures your ability to give consistently to God's mission. www.chisagolakelutheran.org
3. Or use your phone to scan the QR Code which takes you directly to our church website and use Vanco to give a one-time gift or recurring payments.



Attendance: 4-14 = 368; Sanctuary –144, FB – 158, YouTube –51, Tues -13

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PHONE- 651-257-6300 / OFFICE HOURS – Monday thru Thursday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

THIS WEEK AT CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN:

Sunday, April 21

- 9:00 am – Communion Worship Service
- 10:00 am – Fellowship
- 10:15 am – Sunday School
- 10:15 am - Adult Forum, Acts to Revelations
- 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

Monday, April 22

- Noon – Men's/Women's Bible Study
- 4:00 pm - Community Meals at Zion Lutheran Church

Tuesday, April 23

- 6:00 pm – Take 2 Worship service
- 7:00 pm - Al-Anon in the Undercroft

Wednesday, April 24

- 5:00 pm – Tree of Life Choir practice
- 6:00 pm – 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Confirmation/Youth Group
- 7:00 pm – Tone Chime Choir practice

Thursday, April 25

- 8:00 am – Men's Breakfast, Swedish Inn

Friday, April 26

Saturday, April 27

Sunday, April 28

- 9:00 am – Worship Service
- 10:00 am – Fellowship
- 10:15 am – Sunday School
- 10:15 am – Adult Forum, Acts to Revelations
- 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pianist/Organist: Myrna Westen

Acolytes: Brody Sogard and Dyson Griffin

Reader: Carolyn Brottem

Cantor: Elizabeth Weiss

Ushers: John Nelson, Connor Bresnahan, Daniel and Lincoln Perry

Altar Guild: Pat Ongstad and Donna Grossmann

Sound and Video Tech: Brayden Bresnahan

Communion/Offering Assistants: Lee Peterson, Erica Paffel and Jamie Carlson

Coffee Servers: Mark and Barb Wikelius are serving cake today in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary!

Congratulations Mark and Barb!!