

## **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2023

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023

# Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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## HE LIVES TO BE MY GOOD SHEPHERD

*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."* We know that keeping little children occupied for an entire church service can be a challenge. Don't worry; most of those worshipping around you have been in your shoes at one time. If you feel that you need to take your child out of church at any time, we have a Children's Room to the right as you exit the worship area. The first parking space in front of church is designated for **expectant mothers and families with small children**.

**Restrooms** are located to your left as you exit the worship area. There are **changing tables in both restrooms**.

**LARGE PRINT** copies of worship materials are available from the ushers. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to ask an usher.

Thank you for worshipping with us today! Whether you are a guest or a member we would love to know you are here! Please use this QR code to sign our digital friendship register. There are also tablets available in the back of Church for you to sign in.



## SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Presiding Minister**  
**Preacher**  
**Organist**  
**Instrumentalist**

Seminarian Jacob Kieselhorst  
Senior Assistant Matthew Zeng  
David Porth  
Sarah Mayer

# Setting Seven

## Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

CW 471

10:30: Youth Bible Class will sing stanzas 1-2 of the Opening Hymn.



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds in  
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings, there -  
3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; set  
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring and



praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has  
fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has  
heart and will on things a - bove that we  
with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of  
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he  
con - quer thro' your tri - umph; grant grace suf -  
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all  
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly  
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*Stand*

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Confession**

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just**

**and will forgive us our sins**

**and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

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.

**Amen.**

## **Lord, Have Mercy**

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.**

## Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia

CW 442

*Played by Adele Faust*



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Christ, who once for sin - ners bled, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris - tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - less in the sin - ners' stead. Al - le - lu - ia!  
God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now the first - born from the dead, Al - le - lu - ia!



see the place where he was laid; Al - le - lu - ia!  
"Christ is ris'n," to - day we cry; Al - le - lu - ia!  
while, in strange and awe - full strife, Al - le - lu - ia!  
throned in end - less might and pow'r, Al - le - lu - ia!



praise him for the ran - som paid. Al - le - lu - ia!  
now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!  
met to - geth - er death and life. Al - le - lu - ia!  
lives and reigns for - ev - er - more. Al - le - lu - ia!

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# The Word

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

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

*Acts 2:42-47*

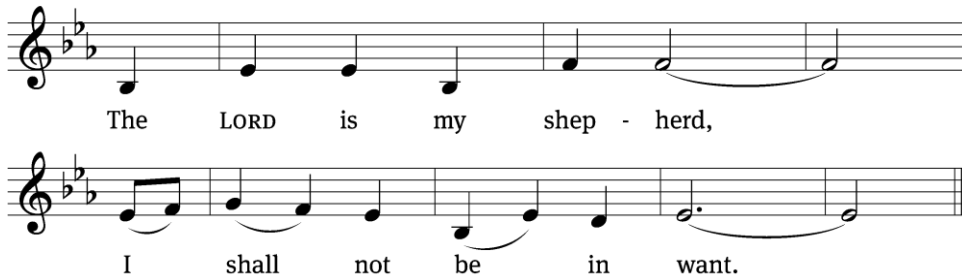
<sup>42</sup>They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. <sup>43</sup>Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. <sup>44</sup>All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup>They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. <sup>46</sup>Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

# The LORD Is My Shepherd

Psalm 23C

## Refrain



The LORD is my shep - herd,  
I shall not be in want.

## Tone



The LORD is my / shepherd,  
I lack / nothing.

He makes me lie down in green / pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet / waters,

he refreshes / my soul.

He guides me along the right paths for his / name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no / evil,

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they / comfort me. *Refrain*

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

You anoint my head with oil; my cup / overflows.

Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days / of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for- / ever.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,**

**as it was in the be- / ginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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## Second Reading

1 Peter 2:19–25

<sup>19</sup>For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God. <sup>20</sup>But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. <sup>21</sup>To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

<sup>22</sup>“He committed no sin,  
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

<sup>23</sup>When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>“He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.” <sup>25</sup>For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

John 10:14



*Refrain*



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

*Tone*



I am the good shep - herd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me.

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## Gospel

John 10:1–10

<sup>1</sup>“Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.” <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.

<sup>7</sup>Therefore Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

# The King of Love My Shepherd Is

CW 552

The Adult choir will sing stanzas 2 and 4.



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose  
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my  
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but  
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with



good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
Sav - ior gent - ly leads me, and where the ver - dant  
yet in love he sought me and on his shoul - der  
you, dear Lord, be - side me, your rod and staff my



I am his, and he is mine for - ev - er.  
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feeds me.  
gent - ly laid and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
com - fort still, your cross be - fore to guide me.

- 5 You spread a table in my sight,  
a banquet here bestowing;  
your oil of welcome, my delight;  
my cup is overflowing!
- 6 And so through all the length of days  
your goodness fails me never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise  
within your house forever!

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## Sermon

*Stand*

## **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.**

*Be seated*

## **Prayer of the Church**

Loving Shepherd of the sheep, fill us with contentment and confidence during this season as we celebrate your Easter victory. You laid down your life for the sheep and then rose again to assure us that you give us eternal life.  
**Good Shepherd, save us.**

Strengthen our faith to follow where you lead, to the green pastures of your Word, the quiet waters of our baptism, and the gracious table of your body and blood where our cup overflows with your forgiving love. Guide us to find in you the gate that leads to safety and good pastures.  
**Good Shepherd, lead us.**

Guard and protect us from those who want to lead us astray and snatch us out of your hand. Give us courage to fight against the devil and wisdom to recognize false teachers. Lead us to honor and follow those you have called to shepherd your flock, the Church.

**Good Shepherd, guide us.**

Let your rod and your staff comfort us and all your sheep in times of sickness and sadness and especially when we walk through the valley of the shadow of death. May we find in your redemption and your Father's resolve the unbreakable promise that we will dwell in your house forever.

**Good Shepherd, console us.**

Move us to reach out to sheep who are not yet a part of our sheep pen but whom you have claimed as your own. Give us your passion to search for the sheep who are lost and lead us to rejoice when they have been found.

**Good Shepherd, inspire us.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

We thank you for all the blessings we have gained from your goodness: family and friends, wealth and health, work and leisure. Give us wisdom to long for and cherish your more precious gifts, your Word and sacraments, so that your goodness and love may follow us all the days of our life.

**Good Shepherd, hear us. Amen.**

## **Offering**

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# The Lord's My Shepherd

CW 554



1 The Lord's my shep - herd, I'll not want; he makes me  
2 He guides my ways in right - eous - ness, and he a -  
3 And though I walk the dark - est path, I will not



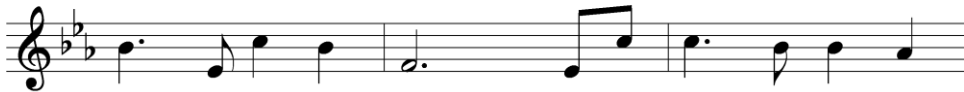
lie in pas - tures green. He leads me by the still, still  
noints my head with oil, and my cup, it o - ver -  
fear the e - vil one, for you are with me, and your



wa - ters, his good - ness re - stores my soul.  
flows with joy, I feast on his pure de - lights.  
rod and staff are the com - fort I need to know.



And I will trust in you a - lone, and I will



trust in you a - lone, for your end - less mer - cy



fol - lows me, your good - ness will lead me home.

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*Stand*

## **Prayer**

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **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.**

**Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

# Splendor and Honor

CW 625



1 Splen - dor and hon - or, maj - es - ty and pow - er, are yours, O  
2 Praised be the true Lamb, slain for our re - demp - tion, by whose self -  
3 To the Al - might - y, throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor, and to the



Lord God, fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, for by your bid - ding  
of - f'ring we are made God's peo - ple: a priest - ly king - dom,  
Sav - ior, Christ our Lamb and Shep - herd, be ad - o - ra - tion,



was the whole cre - a - tion called in - to be - ing.  
from all tongues and na - tions, called to God's ser - vice.  
praise, and glo - ry giv - en, now and for - ev - er.

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# Parents' Preview for May 3/7

## PURPOSE

The Parents' Preview highlights an aspect of next week's service: a liturgical song, a Psalm refrain, or a hymn stanza. Our hope and prayer are that parents will teach this portion of the service to their children at home during the week so that children can participate more fully in the worship service.

## Christ Be the Way in Whom We Walk

*Christian Worship 516*



1 Christ be the way in whom we walk  
the pil - grim path we tread; com - pan - ion, teach - er,  
guide and goal, the guard - ian of the ran - somed soul,  
the first-born from the dead, the first-born from the dead.

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## PRAYER

O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



# News & Notes

**Pastor Winkelman** would like to make home visits with you over the remainder of this year. Every family is highly encouraged to schedule a visit. In order to accommodate scheduling you may schedule a time to visit either by following the QR code or by calling the office.



**Camp Phillip Day Camp at Pilgrim** The time is finally here! Sign up now for Pilgrim's Camp Phillip Day Camp, just \$50 per camper for five days of fun! Flyers with sign up information will be in the bulletins and on the narthex shelf. Sign up with the QR code on the flyer. PLEASE share the info with your family, neighbors and friends – and sign up now! Help! We can still use volunteers to help with the activities of the camp as well – call or email the office to help out with the camp! (Anyone going into Grades 7 or older can volunteer).

**The Pilgrim Care Team invites you** consider joining their efforts. Opportunities include:

- Delivering gift baskets to homebound members near their birthdays
- Wellness calls between monthly pastor visits
- Changing smoke detector batteries for those who cannot climb ladders or making such arrangements.
- Providing meals for those who come home from the hospital or for those grieving.
- Sending cards to members just to assure we are thinking of them.

If any of these areas of care interest you, contact Judy Mayer, Caring Coordinator, by phone at 1-414-708-2579 or by email at [eatsimple@gmail.com](mailto:eatsimple@gmail.com).

**The last Tabitha Society meeting of the season** will be held on Thursday afternoon, May 4, at 1:30 in the conference room at school. We will plan to socialize, play games, and enjoy snacks. The hostesses for this meeting are Chris Bachmann and Elke Warren. As always, all women are welcome!

**Confirmation at Pilgrim** will be held Sunday, May 7. The special service will be at 2:00pm, everyone is invited! During the service the students will have examination, confirmation and their first communion. Please keep our 2023 confirmands in your prayers!

**Menomonee Falls Library Art Show** Pilgrim students have artwork displayed at the Menomonee Falls Library April 19 through May 10. Stop in to check out our artists and to check out a book!

**Mother's Day at Pilgrim Lutheran** Flowers - Greeting – Worship May 14 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Join us May 14th—with your mom or anyone who you would like to acknowledge—to worship together on Mother's Day. Women will receive a special gift of a flower and a Mother's Day greeting from our welcome team. Let's honor those who have nurtured and taught us, loved and cared for us by sharing time together at God's house.

**WELS Bargain Center is a resale shop** located at 8401 W. Lisbon Avenue. It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM. We accept clean, gently used clothing, household items, decorations for all holidays, garden supplies, toys and collectibles. Please call 414-463-2595 with questions. The first three months of 2023 our net profit is \$26,835! Our monthly recipients are Institutional Ministries, Point of Grace, and the Lighthouse youth center. This past month we had our highest ever gross sales due to a donation from one of Pilgrim's members! We are always in need of volunteers especially on Saturdays! You can bring a friend, they do not need to be a WELS member.

**KML Spring Play** Join us for Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School's production of the classic play *The Crucible* by Arthur Miller on Friday & Saturday, May 5 & 6, at 7:00 PM and Sunday, May 7, at 2:00 PM. Tickets will be sold at the door at KML beginning 30 minutes before each performance. All tickets are general admission and \$5 each.

**The Wisconsin Lutheran Choir** presents its Spring Concert on Friday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the college's Center for Arts and Performance. To purchase \$10 tickets, call 414.443.8802 or visit [wlc.edu/boxoffice](http://wlc.edu/boxoffice).

**The Wisconsin Lutheran College Concert Band** presents its Spring Concert on Friday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the college's Center for Arts and Performance. To purchase \$6 tickets, call 414.443.8802 or visit [wlc.edu/boxoffice](http://wlc.edu/boxoffice).



**The Center for Mission and Ministry** building in Waukesha. (the Synod offices) has posted a new part-time position for a Facilities Coordinator that would oversee the management and maintenance of the CMM facility. Scan the QR code for more info. or go to [wels.net](http://wels.net)

**The Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee** presents "Sing with Joy" Sunday, May 7 at 4:00 p.m. St. Marcus Lutheran Church 2215 N Palmer St. Join the Chorale for this special concert from our American heritage. A free will offering will be collected to support the choir's ministry. Find out more at [lutheranchorale.org](http://lutheranchorale.org).

**Register for Taste of Missions**, a hybrid event that will be held on Saturday, June 10, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon. Attend in person OR online to get a "taste of missions." Registration is \$15 per person, with children 13 and under attending for free. Those attending in person will receive food tickets to sample ethnic food and will have the ability to purchase additional food from the food trucks. Or attend virtually for free and watch all events via livestream, view additional video updates from missionaries, and try your hand at making one of the many ethnic recipes shared on the website. Learn more and register at [tasteofmissions.com](http://tasteofmissions.com).

**Ushers**8:00am10:30am

4-30

Phill Lepple

Bryan Giesenschlag

Joe Januzzi

Dan Vaghar

5-7

Matt Lawonn

Jim Prekop

Noah Vanderhoof

Mike Olson

**Greeters**

4-30

Bill &amp; LaVonne Kirchner

Marge Ekstowicz &amp; Elke Warren

5-7

Dennis &amp; Joan Schmick

Joel &amp; Carol Bradtke

## ATTENDANCE

4-19

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4-23

169 + 109 = 278



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## **GROWING • SERVING • REACHING**

Together, through faithful use of God's Word, we

- Kindle spiritual growth by cultivating a relationship with God in prayer, worship and Bible study,
- Enlighten and equip people to contribute their gifts in service to God and the community, and
- Reflect the light of Jesus to our community and the world.

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