

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 23, 2023 A.D.

Faith Ev. Lutheran Church – Pierre, SD

Website: www.faithluth.com

Email: faith@faithluth.com

Church Phone – (605) 224-2216

Rev. Sam Handschke – (314) 489-9181

Senior Pastor

Rev. Brad Urbach – (605) 280-2838

Visitation Pastor

Church Fax – (605) 224-2226



*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

OPENING HYMN

"O God of God, O Light of Light"

(LSB 810)

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

EXHORTATION

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

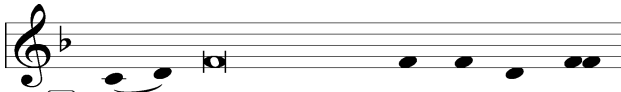
✠ WORD ✠

INTROIT

Ps 133 (antiphon: Ps. 133:1)

- P** Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!
- C** It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of
Aaron,
Running down the collar of his robes!
- P** It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.
- C** **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** Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!

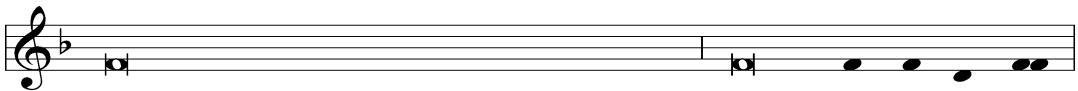
KYRIE



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.




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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



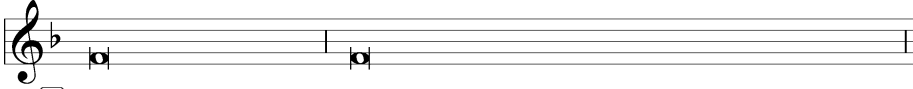
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



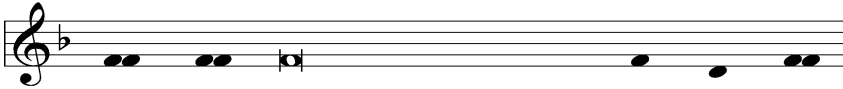
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



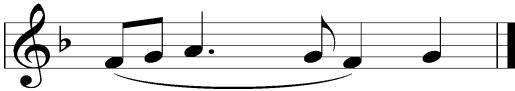
let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.



Kyrie Eleison

LORD, HAVE MERCY

THIS IS THE FEAST



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



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



1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



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

SALUTATION *and* COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

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.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING*Acts 2:14a, 36–41* (The Word cuts people to the heart.)*After the reading:***L** This is the Word of the Lord.**C** Thanks be to God.**ANTHEM***“Awake, My Heart, with Gladness” (arr. Anne Krenz Organ)
Mary Jo Johnson, Clarinet
Andrew Wulf, flute***EPISTLE***1 Peter 1:17–25*

(The Word of the Lord endures forever.)

*After the reading:***L** This is the Word of the Lord.**C** Thanks be to God.*(Please stand)***ALLELUIA and VERSE**

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL*Luke 24:13–35*

(Jesus appears on the road to Emmaus.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.**C** Glory to You, O Lord.*After the reading:***P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.**C** Praise to You, O Christ.*(Please be seated)***BIBLE LESSON****SERMON HYMN***“Stay with Us”**(LSB 879)*

SERMON

"..."

(...)

Pastor Sam

CREED	8:30 am	Apostles'	Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book
	11:00 am	Nicene	Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P O Father of the risen Christ, in Your Son's appearance to the Emmaus disciples, He expounded the Scriptures and revealed Himself in the breaking of the bread. Grant us grace that we, too, may perceive Him as our Savior through His Word and rejoice to receive Him as the bread of life for the salvation of our souls. By the Word and Sacraments, renew our piety this Eastertide that we may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,



C hear our prayer.

P Lord of all, Your Spirit opens the Holy Scriptures to the hearts of Your people. Enlighten this congregation *[and its school]* by the resurrection light that never fades, that our hearts may burn in faith toward You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord God, You have poured out Your Spirit upon us, that we might believe Your truth and raise our sons and daughters in it. Bless all parents, that they may faithfully catechize their children in Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, stifle the powers of darkness and end the reign of war, violence and terror. Give leaders who will seek peace and work for the common good. Instill in them a love of righteousness, and guide them in the pursuit of justice for all. Bless Joseph, our president; the Congress of the United States; _____, our governor; all state and local officials; all medical and emergency workers; and all members of the armed forces who protect us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P God of compassion, those who suffer cry to You. Hear them and answer them with grace sufficient for all their needs. Heal the sick according to Your will, comfort the wounded and give Your peace to the dying. *[We especially pray for _____.]*
You are our health and strength for this life and eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Lord, Your compassion is made known to us through Your Son's breaking of the bread. Open our hearts and mouths to receive forgiveness in the body and blood of Christ, who suffered for us and has entered into His glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, have mercy on us when we are foolish and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken about Your Son. Pour out Your Spirit on us through the preaching of the Gospel, that the Scriptures might be opened to us; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C **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.**

The 8:30 am service continues on page 10 with the Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastor**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing

people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠
11:00 am service

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior.

With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

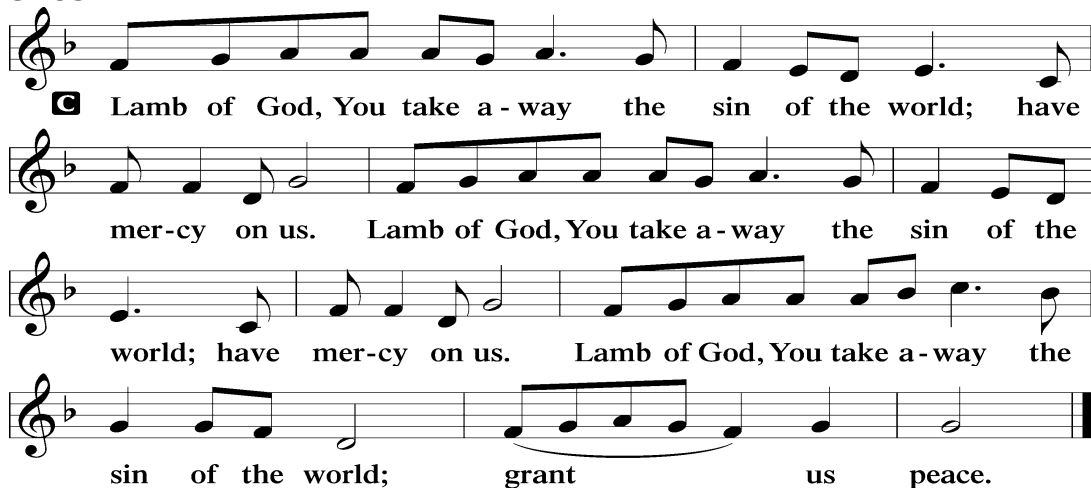
Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"

(LSB 563)

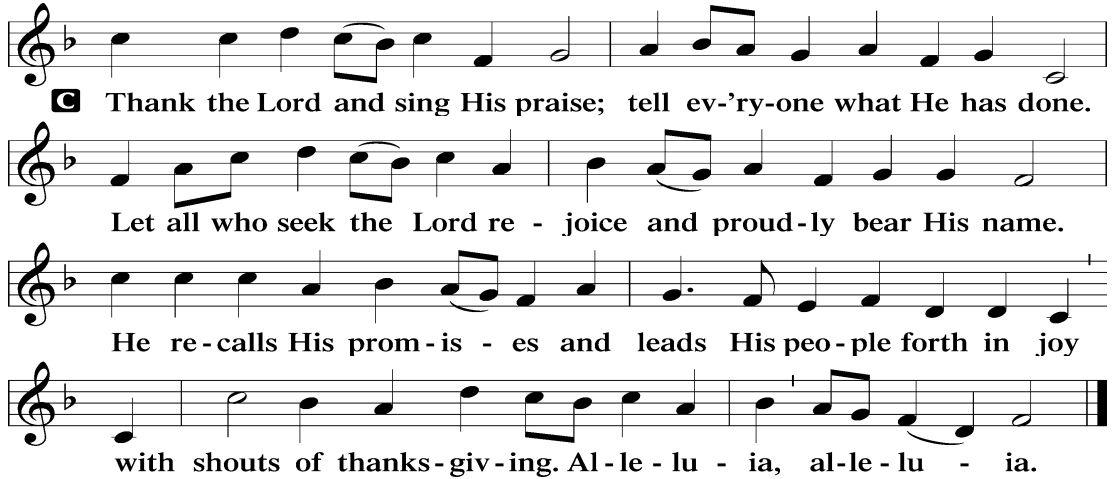
"Abide with Me"

(LSB 878)



(Please stand)

THANK THE LORD



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.
He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

(LSB 680)

Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2006 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved.
Used by permission.



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



AS WE GATHER Today we see Jesus appear to His disciples on the road to Emmaus. They say afterward that their hearts burned within them as Jesus opened up to them the Scriptures. In the Reading from Acts, those gathered on Pentecost are cut to the heart by Peter’s words. And in the Epistle, Peter speaks of purified souls and hearts. It seems our hearts are being greatly affected by Christ. They are cut, burning, and purified by the Word of Christ.

[OR *Concordia Pulpit Resources* Theme]

A question arises from today’s Epistle in 1 Peter: How do we attain eternal life? Oftentimes the world encourages us to look to ourselves and our own deeds to see if we will inherit eternal life, but that is not where Scripture points us. Scripture points us to Jesus and His deeds on our behalf—His death and His resurrection for our forgiveness, life, and salvation.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if He were going farther, but they urged Him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So He went in to stay with them. When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. And He vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the Scriptures?” And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of the bread. *Luke 24:28–35*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the yellow prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” James 5:16b

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Third Sunday of Easter! We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

Preaching today is Reverend Samuel Handschke.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Maundy Thurs. Apr. 6, Att. 161, Offering \$1,061.01; Good Fri. Apr. 7, Att. 204, Offering \$1,913.00; Easter Sun., Apr. 9, Att. 468; General Fund \$11,352.54; Sunday School \$2.00; Building Fund \$240.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$730.00; Flowers \$36.00; Endowment Fund in memory of Harlan Fransen (Undesignated) \$145.00, (Blessings) \$50.00, (Generations) \$100.00, (Foundations) \$25.00, (Future) \$100.00; Endowment Fund-Generations of Faith \$102.75.

Endowment Fund There are lime green envelopes on the back side of the large center support post in the Narthex for your use. Donations do not have to be in memory of someone, they can be in celebration of an event in your lives, to the glory of God, or any number of happenings in your lives. The envelopes have an area where you can designate where you wish the funds to go. Please use a separate **check** for your donation. Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so it needs to be in the form of a **check**. The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!



Men's Club Breakfast Fundraiser Our Men's Club will be hosting a breakfast **TODAY**, April 23, 2023. Join us between services for a wonderful breakfast of pancakes & sausage. Proceeds will go to pay for the new water heater.

Blue Cards The Blue cards in the pew racks are for attendance records, communion records and prayer requests. They are NOT for children to scribble on. There are activity bags at the back, on either side of the sanctuary, for the children to pick up on their way

in that have books to look at and color, and scribble sheets for them to write on. PLEASE do not let them scribble on the blue cards. The blue cards are also NOT for folding into paper airplanes. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Hebrews Bible Study

We are beginning a Hebrews Bible study on **Wednesday nights**. The study group meets at 6:30 pm in various homes. We will be using the CPH God's Word for Today series "Hebrews, The Fulfillment of Faith" written by Howard Kramin to assist us in our study. Our theme verse is Hebrews 12:2

Let us set our eyes upon Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

If you would like to join us in this study please contact David Zuercher 605-222-8424.

Rent-A-Worker The Mexico Mission Team would like to help you with all your projects this spring. Yard work, mowing, tilling gardens, garage cleaning, tree trimming, windows, painting, grocery shopping, planting, cooking, animal care. These are just a few of the things they would help you with. Give them a call or text at 605-280-6347 or fill out a form found in the Narthex and turn in to the church office.

Mexico Mission Trip Meeting The mission trip is scheduled this year for May 27 - June 3. We will be having an important planning meeting **TONIGHT**, at 7:30 pm in the church office conference room. Please think and pray about going along. You will not regret taking this time to share Christ's saving Word and love. Rather you will be more equipped than ever to share the same here in your neighborhoods and life.



Confirmation Our 8th Grade Confirmation for this year is scheduled for April 30th at the 11:00 service. Confirmation Questioning is April 26th at 6:00 pm. The students will read their essays, which are a requirement for successful completion of our Confirmation program. All members are encouraged to attend to give these students our support.

Main Street Living **Did you know** the Main Street Living program is broadcast throughout South Dakota and into bordering states on two TV stations: KDLT in Sioux Falls at 10:00 AM central and KEVN at 8:00 AM mountain in Rapid City? **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on www.mainstreetliving.com, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

April 23, 2023

KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

10:00 AM - “Betrayed” - A man struggles to do what is right after a reporter uncovers shady dealings in his business.

10:30 AM - Rev. Jens Jenson, pastor at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Armour, SD presents a message titled “Jesus Teaches Us To Cling To His Word.” This sermon is based on Luke 24:13-35. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “I encourage everyone that I meet with to check my words and teaching against God’s Word. Ask questions, challenge everything by that Word. I want them to know Jesus and to have that faith which says, ‘This is what Jesus says, I am forgiven! I am set free! I am serving and living as a disciple of Jesus! I will go into heaven because of Jesus! ... I am part of God’s family!’” *Pastor Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Apr. 23

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

11:00 am Communion

1:00 pm Boards of Stewardship/Endow

2-6 pm Fastpitch

6:30 pm 1, 2, 3 John Bible Study

Mon: Apr. 24

6-9 pm Pickleball

Tues: Apr. 25

8:00 am Staff Devotions

10:30 am Women’s Bible Study

6-9 pm Fastpitch

6:30 pm Mary/Martha Circle

Wed: Apr. 26

6:00 pm Confirmation Questioning

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism

6:00 pm Hebrews Bible Study

6:00 pm Ecclesiastes Bible Study

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Apr. 27

8:00 am Staff Devotions

1:30-3:00 pm Little Dresses

7:00 pm Psalms Bible Study

Sun: Apr. 30

8:30 am Communion

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

11:00 am Confirmation/Communion

6:30 pm 1, 2, 3 John Bible Study