

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30 a.m.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

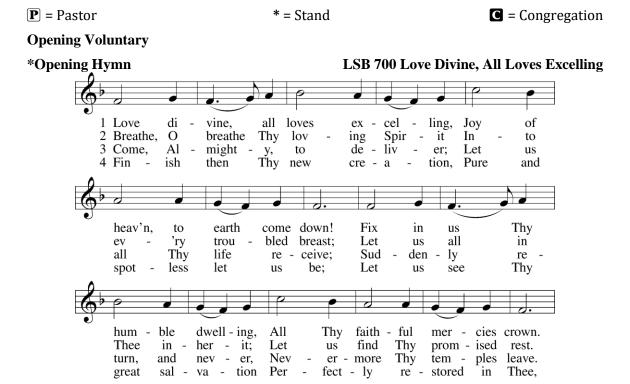
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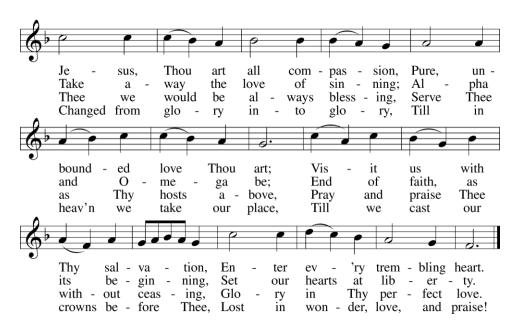
THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

<u>WELCOME TO PEACE!</u> If you are a guest, please fill out the Visitor side of one of the attendance cards found in the pew rack. Let us know if you would like us to contact you. We are happy to have you worshipping with us today!

<u>CHRIST'S BODY AND BLOOD</u>, for the forgiveness of sins, are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only confirmed members of an LCMS church are invited to the Lord's table. Ask a pastor if you have questions or concerns. Please register your taking of communion on your attendance card.



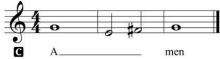


*Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Baptisms (10:30)

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*Opening Sentences

John 12:26; Ephesians 4:15; Psalm 25:1–3, 5, 10; 106:48

- **P** Jesus said: "If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him."
- Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ.
- P To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust.
- Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame.
- P Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation.
- All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.
- P Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!
- And let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise the LORD!

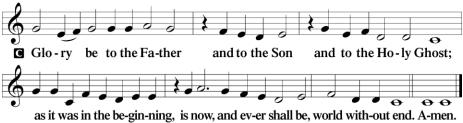
*Confession

- **P** Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.
- O Lord God Almighty, we confess that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have not put You first at all times. We have not followed in the ways You have set forth for us. We have not always been thoughtful caretakers of Your creation and have not shared its bounty on all occasions. We have not kept our thoughts, words, and deeds fully pure and honorable. We have sinned in ways we know and in ways we do not even recognize. We have not honored those in authority and have not without reservation encouraged them. We have not completely put the best construction on all things and on all people. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us all our sins, and finally by Your grace, bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

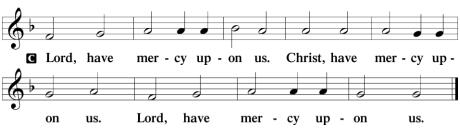
*Absolution



*Gloria Patri







*Salutation and Collect of the Day





First Reading Acts 4:1–12

¹As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ²greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹²And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

- **P** ¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- ²He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.
- P ³He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness 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.
- P ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Epistle 1 John 3:16–24

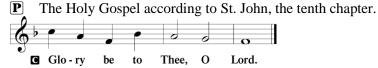
¹⁶ By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷ But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? ¹⁸ Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. ¹⁹ By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; ²⁰ for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. ²¹ Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; ²² and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³ And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴ Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

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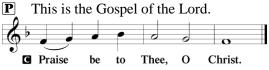
*Alleluia



*Holy Gospel John 10:11–18



¹¹[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing 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. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of 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 that I may take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

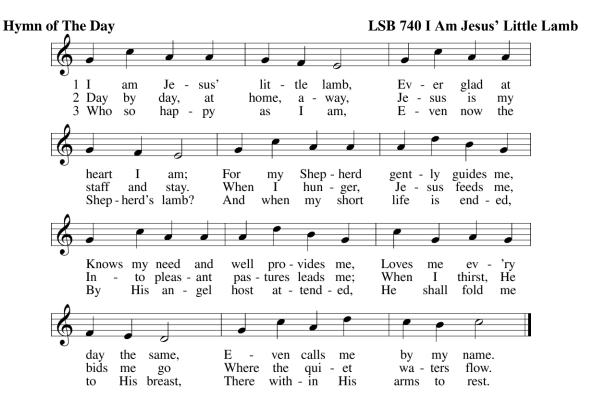


*Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \pm of the world to come. Amen.



Sermon Notes:

Gathering of the Offering

Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate

Offertory Anthem (10:30)

The Lord is My Shepherd

Harold Goodall

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

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He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: For you are with me, you will comfort me, you are with me, you will comfort me.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever, forever, forever.



*Prayer of the Church

*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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*Preface



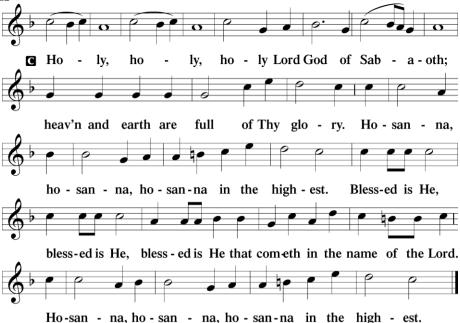




*Proper Preface

P We should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:





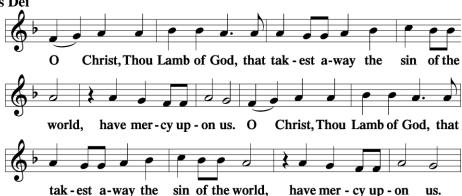
*The Words of Our Lord

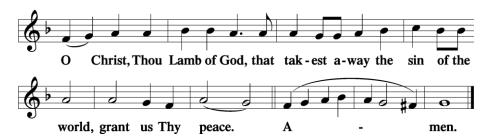
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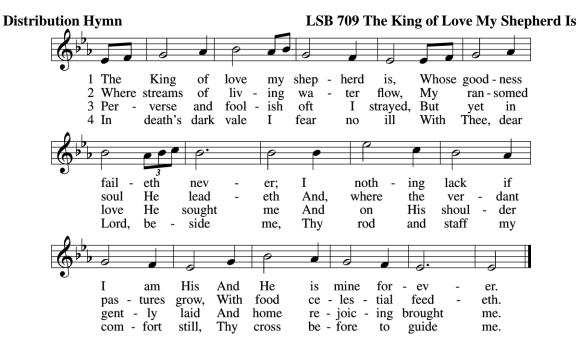
The peace of the Lord be with you always.



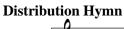
*Agnus Dei







- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

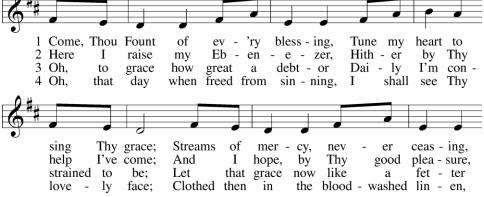


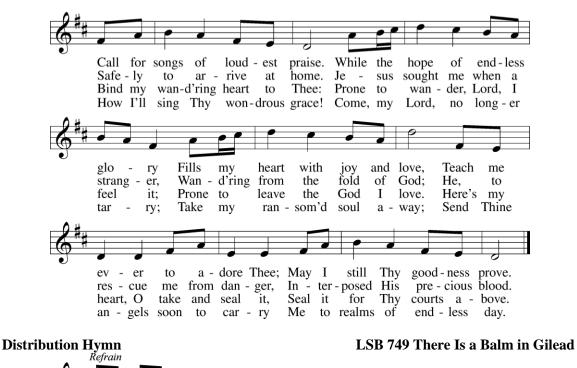
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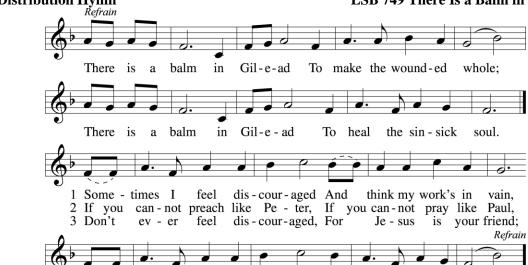


Distribution Hymn

LSB 686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing







But

And

You can tell

if

then the Ho-ly Spir-it Re-vives my soul a-gain.

the love of Je - sus And say He died for all.

you lack for knowl-edge, He'll ne'er re-fuse to lend.





*Thanksgiving

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.





*Benedicamus



*Benediction

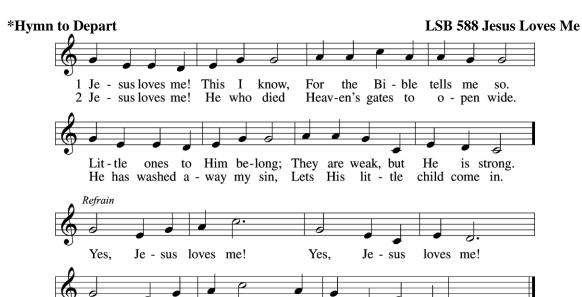
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



Je - sus loves me!



*Silent Prayer

Closing Voluntary

Yes,

The

Bi - ble tells

me

so.

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Robert Brown

Liturgists: Pastor Jon Furgeson and Sem. Ryan Milbrath

Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Burnell Hackman; 8:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler

Choir: Chancel Choir

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: D. Seyfert/D. Gerfen/W. Schuessler

Elders: 5:00: John Rastorfer, Bob Uthoff; 8:00: Mark Maloy, John Roesch;

9:20: Jeff Akers, John Hooss; 10:30: Rob Uthoff, Ken Werkmeister Ushers: 5:00: Greg Wirtel, Jakob Beutelmann, Greg Hard, Stephen Schultz, Todd Wessling;

8:00: Barry Hammon, Aidan Furgeson, Ian Furgeson, Alex Jeffcott, Jack Jeffcott, Chuck Neff, Mike Suda; 9:20: John Wiesehan, Mark Dowell, Jim Huettenmeyer, Jim Johnson, Jacob Schweiss; 10:30: Darrell Ewald, Jeremiah Andrews, Dave Carlson, Joseph Kreitler,

Mark Maloy, Brett Santiago, Joe Santiago, Mike Yaeger

Acolytes: 8:00: Avery Caron, Paige Keiser; 10:30: Aleah Jacobsmeyer, Ben Posadas

Greeters: <u>8:00</u>: Mary Suda; <u>9:20 & 10:30</u>: Jerry & Pam Schulze

Altar Committee: Angie Fischer and Diane Woehr

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>KFUO AM 850 BROADCAST</u> is sponsored by Terry and Debby Hutton in memory of Harry and Novella Shreve.

<u>OUR 8:00 A.M. SERVICE IS LIVE ON KFUO THIS WEEKEND</u> and continuing through next weekend. KFUO is found at 850AM on the radio. Broadcasts can also be heard 24/7 through KFUO.org.

<u>CONCERT THIS AFTERNOON</u>, Sunday, April 21, at 3:00 p.m. in the gym. It will be a Big Band and Jazz Concert sponsored by our local Musicians Union and the Music Performance Trust Fund. This concert of Big Band and Jazz classics is in honor of Jazz Appreciation Month. You are invited to enjoy this outstanding concert! Bring family and friends along to enjoy some great music in a wide variety of styles.

<u>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – REGISTER NOW – SPOTS ARE FILLING UP!</u> We will take a "Jungle Journey" this summer from June 24 to June 28. Join us for an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation. <u>The 4th and 5th grade classes are full.</u> We have 17 openings left for preschool <u>through 3rd grade.</u> Register your children and grandchildren soon by going to the Peace website and clicking on the Jungle Journey logo on the home screen.

<u>VBS VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET IS ON THE COMMONS COUNTER</u> Opportunities for both adults and youth are available. We would love to have your help!

<u>VBS WORKDAYS SCHEDULED</u> for next Sunday, April 28, and Saturday, May 4. See the back page of the bulletin for details.

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS STILL NEEDED</u> for our Sunday School program. Teachers especially needed for preschool, and 6th grade. Instruction will be provided. If interested, contact Pastor Brown.

<u>JOB OPPORTUNITY: EARLY CHILDHOOD</u> is seeking a Preschool Teacher. A job description is on the bulletin board in the Commons. Interested, contact Sue Velten, (314)892-8844.

GREEN PARK IS LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME CHILD CARE WORKER Hours would be Monday through Friday, 3:00-6:00 p.m. Qualifications include a loving and caring personality, patience, and flexibility. Interested candidates should email April Baese, Child Care Director, at april.baese@greenparklutheranschool.org.

<u>A NEW SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS</u> will be held while Pastor Furgeson is on his sabbatical. Beginning on Sunday, June 2, Pastor Gadeken will lead the Bible Class in Sanctuary Hall from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. See the newsletter for more details.

<u>REGISTER NOW FOR LUTHERAN SOUTH SUMMER CAMPS</u> Does your child enjoy shooting hoops? Love creating and drawing? Want to try a new sport like football or field hockey? LuSo Summer Camp offers a variety of athletic and enrichment activities with morning and afternoon sessions available. From playing tennis to the trombone, we have coaches and instructors who offer positive reinforcement. Your campers will have fun while learning a new skill. Register today at Lslancers.org/summer.

JOIN US FOR LUTHERAN DAY AT THE BALLPARK on Sunday, May 5, at 1:15 p.m. for an interleague matchup between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Chicago White Sox. Sit with other families from your school and enjoy the view from the right field loge. Tickets are \$25 and include a free hot dog and soda. The first 25,000 fans, ages 16 and older, will take home an exclusive Cardinals purse. Then, stick around to watch the Lutheran South Lancers battle the Sullivan Eagles following the Cardinals game. Kids, 15 & under, get to run the bases between the games. Alumni are invited to join us at 11:30 a.m. in the Cunningham Corner for a pre-game party including food and drink. Entrance to the alumni party is free. Get your Cardinals tickets today at https://bit.ly/ballpark24.

<u>LASE SPECIALIZED EDUCATION JOB OPENING</u> Qualifications include holding a Missouri teaching certificate in special education, experience in working with children with special learning needs, and strong communication and collaboration skills. For more details, see the announcement on the bulletin board in the Commons, or in the May Peace Lutheran newsletter.

<u>GENTLY USED BOOKS ARE NEEDED</u> for a Book Sale this fall, hosted by Ladies Club as a fundraiser for our church. The collection box is in the Commons. Check your house for books you can donate! If you have a significant number of books and need assistance getting them to church, please call Betty Via.

<u>THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ORDERED EASTER PLANTS</u> this year. The sanctuary looked beautiful as we worshipped our risen Lord and Savior!

CONCERTS AT PEACE PRESENTS THE WALDORF UNIVERSITY CHOIR Thursday, May 2, 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Under the direction of Dr. Emilie Bertram, the Waldorf Choir is the second oldest collegiate a cappella choir in the United States. Join us for this wonderful performance!

<u>THE MAY NEWSLETTER IS IN YOUR MAIL SLOT</u> this weekend. Please read it for important information about all of the exciting events coming up in the next month here at Peace.

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION MEETINGS, for parents and confirmands, will be held in Sanctuary Hall on Sunday, April 28, and Sunday, May 5, immediately following the 10:30 service. These meetings are for the incoming 2024-2025 8th grade students and are in lieu of the summer in-home meetings, due to Pastor Furgeson's sabbatical this summer. Parents and confirmands need only attend one of the meetings. Each meeting will be approximately 30 minutes in length.

 6^{TH} GRADE CONFIRMATION MEETING will be held on Thursday, May 9, at 6:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. This meeting is for the incoming 2024-2025 6^{th} grade students and their parents.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 21, 2024

Sunday, April 21: 3:00pm – Big Band and Jazz Concert

 $6{:}00pm-Pickleball\ Open\ Play$

Monday, April 22: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

 $6:00pm-Crossfire\ Volleyball$

6:30pm - Elders

7:00pm – Bells of Peace Rehearsal

<u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 23:</u> 9:00am – Quilters

 $9:\!00am-Refit\ Exercise\ Class$

6:00pm – Co-Ed Volleyball

6:00pm - Men's Club

Wednesday, April 24: 6:30pm – High School Youth Group

7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study

<u>Thursday, April 25:</u> 9:00am – Mary Martha Bible Study

6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball

7:00pm - Boy Scout Troop 584 Meeting

Friday, April 26: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

Sunday, April 28: 11:45am – 8th Grade Confirmation Meeting

1:00pm – VBS Workday

 $6:\!00pm-Pickleball\ Open\ Play$



We Need You for our Jungle Journey!

To create a great environment for our Jungle Journey this summer, we are scheduling two workdays for our congregation members to be able to help with our décor. This is a wonderful opportunity for those who cannot help during the week of Vacation Bible School. The dates we will be working are:

Sunday, April 28 - 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 4 - 9:00-11:00 a.m.

We will be cutting palm leaves, wrapping boxes, mounting posters to foam board, sponge painting tree trunks, and many other simple projects. **No special skills required!** All are welcome, but children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet in the Commons. Many hands make light work!

Thank you for considering this opportunity to help!