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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MOTHER'S DAY

MAY 11, 2025

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME TO PEACE! 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!

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P = Pastor * = Stand Δ = Stand for Trinitarian stanza **C** = Congregation

Opening Voluntary

I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

WEIL ICH JESU SCHAFFLEN BIN/Susan E. Geschke

*Opening Hymn

LSB 547 The Lamb



1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?
2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.
3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill
4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.
5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.



Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.
So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.
He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own righ - teous - ness.
His song pro - long Till ev - 'ry heart to Him be - long.

Refrain



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His

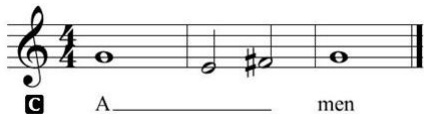


own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!

***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.



Baptism of Natalie Esther Brown (10:30)

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Daughter of Pastor Robert M. and Judy E. née Gasser Brown

Sponsors: Mary E. Gasser, Kathryn E. née Gasser Carter, Chad A. Carter

***Opening Sentences**

P All we like sheep have gone astray;

C **We have turned every one to his own way;**

P And the Lord has laid on Jesus the iniquity of us all. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross

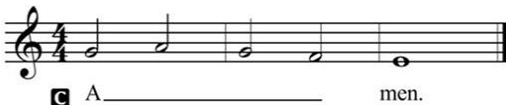
C **That we might die to sin and live to righteousness.**

***Confession**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

***Absolution**



***Kyrie**

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P 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 mercy.**

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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

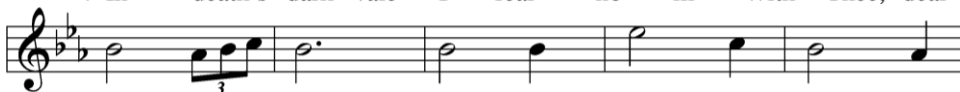
C Amen.

***Hymn of Praise**

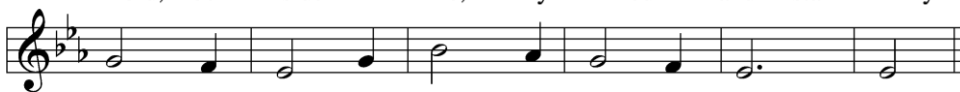
LSB 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love He sought me And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

***Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray. . .



C A - men.

First Reading

Acts 20:17–35

¹⁷Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹servicing the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ²⁵And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, ²⁷for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one’s silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm (5:00 & 9:20)

Psalm 23

P ¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

C ²**He 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.

C ⁴**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.

C ⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

Psalm (8:00 & 10:30)

The Lord's My Shepherd

John A. Behnke

Refrain



The Lord's my Shep - herd, I shall not want. He



leads me. He leads me.

Cantor: Refrain

All: **Refrain**

Choir: He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me by still waters.

Cantor: Refrain

All: **Refrain**

Choir: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Cantor: Refrain

All: **Refrain**

Choir: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.

Cantor: Refrain

All: **Refrain**

Choir: You prepare a table in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.

Cantor: Refrain

All: **Refrain**

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

Cantor: Refrain

All: **Refrain**

Choir: He leads me, he leads me.

Epistle

Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*Alleluia



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

*Holy Gospel

John 10:22–30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my

hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Children's Message (8:00 & 10:30)

Stephanie Torbeck
Kindergarten Teacher, Green Park Lutheran School

Hymn of The Day

LSB 550 Lamb of God



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have
2 Your Gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have



sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned Him as He died: The hum - ble King they named a
brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and



sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
rod, And to be called a lamb of God.



O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God!



O wash me in His pre-cious blood, My Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Sermon

“Hands of the Shepherd”

(John 10:22-30)

Sermon Notes:

Gathering of the Offering *Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate*

Anthem at the Offering (8:00 & 10:30)

The Gift of Love

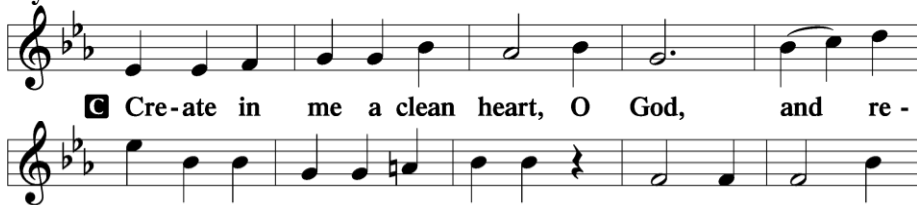
English Melody/Hal H. Hopson

*Though I may speak with bravest fire, And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain, As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.*

*Though I may give all I possess, And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within, The profit soon turns strangely thin.*


*Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed; By this we worship, and are freed.*

***Offertory**



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

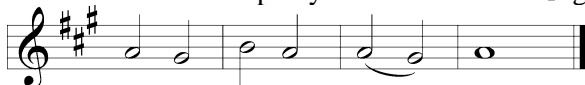
***Prayer of the Church**

***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.

***Benediction**

P 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.



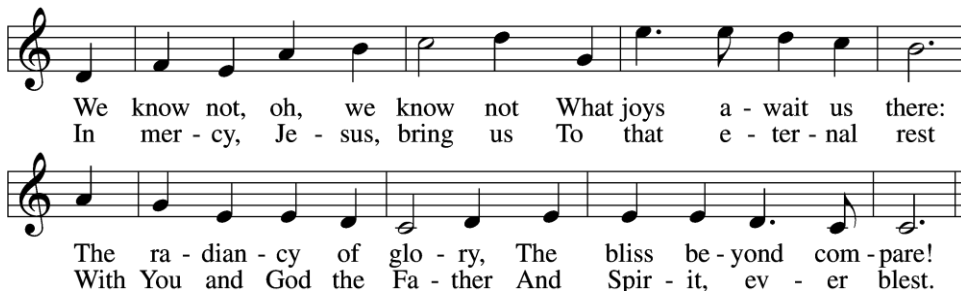
C A-men, a-men, a - men.

***Hymn to Depart**

LSB 672 Jerusalem the Golden



1 Je-ru-sa-lem the gold-en, With milk and hon-ey blest—
 △ 4 O sweet and bless-ed coun-try, The home of God's e-lect!
 The prom-ise of sal-va-tion, The place of peace and rest—
 O sweet and bless-ed coun-try That faith-ful hearts ex-pect!



We know not, oh, we know not What joys a - wait us there:
In mer - cy, Je - sus, bring us To that e - ter - nal rest

The ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, The bliss be - yond com - pare!
With You and God the Fa - ther And Spir - it, ev - er blest.

***Silent Prayer**

Closing Voluntary

Christ Is Arisen, Alleluia

MFURAHNI HALELUYA/Patricia Hurlbutt

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Seminarian Ryan Milbrath

Liturgists: Pastor Jon Furgeson and Pastor Robert Brown

Seminary Students: Kurtis Hankemeier, Ryan Milbrath

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

Choirs: Chancel Choir and Bells of Peace

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: M. Thiel/D. Gerfen/B. Hentchel

Elders: 5:00: Greg Wirtel, Bob Wolff; 8:00: John Roesch, Greg Wirtel;

9:20: Rich Behnke, Steve Shawcross; 10:30: Bob Uthoff, Ken Werkmeister

Ushers: 5:00: Team #13 – Dean Seyfert, Captain; 8:00: Team #2 – Mike Renner, Captain;

9:20: Team #12 – Chris Hosty, Captain; 10:30: Team #5 – Kyle Sandersfeld, Captain

Acolytes: 8:00: Grace Robinson, Danielle Watson; 10:30: Gen Castro, Aubrey DeClue

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