

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024 9:00 am

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GATHERING

Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Opening Hymn: ELW #369 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!"

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 - P. 98-99

Hymn of Praise - P. 101 "This is the Feast"

Prayer of the day- Let us pray.

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.

WORD

Children's Sermon

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their 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 questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

it has become the cornerstone.'

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 23 (Please read responsively.)

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. ²The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

³You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
 ⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
 for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over. ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation-P. 102 "Alleluia"

Gospel: John 10:11-18

The holy gospel according to John, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care 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. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to 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 in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon-

Hymn of the day- ELW #502 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Nicene Creed-

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary And became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The prayers of the People

Response: God of grace, hear our prayer.

Sharing of The Peace

Offering

(We invite the children to gather dollar bills and change for the mission jug.)

Create in Me a Clean Heart-ELW #186

Offering Prayer

<u>MEAL</u>

The Great Thanksgiving-P. 107

Preface-P. 108

Holy, Holy, Holy -P. 108

The Words of Institution

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.

Invitation to Communion

Lamb of God-P. 112

Distribution Hymns: ELW #484 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

ELW #778 "The Lord's My Shepherd"

ELW #810 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise ELW #207

SENDING

Blessing-

Sending Hymn: ELW #536 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

Dismissal-Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Announcements

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Amy Holmgaard in memory of her mother, Beulah Holmgaard. We thank her for this ministry gift.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Arlo Pralle, Rod Pralle's father. Arlo passed away on Tuesday, April 16. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Thank you to the youth for raking and cleaning up around the church and parsonage this morning. We appreciate your hard work.

Senior Recognition—we will honor the 2024 Hampton-Dumont-Cal Seniors on May 5 after worship at coffee hour.

The deadline for the May Newsletter is Friday, April 26 at 9:00 am.

The deadline for next weeks bulletin is Thursday, April 25 at 9:00 am.

Next Sunday, April 28 will be the last week for confirmation classes until further notice.

This Week at St. Paul

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Worship Services - 9:00 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship—10:00 a.m. Sunday School– 10:15 a.m. Confirmation—10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Quilting Group @ 9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour @ 10:00 a.m.

4/21/24	9:00 am		
Presiding Pastor	Pastor Nikoli Falenschek 507-403-0494 pastornikoli.splchampton@gmail.com		
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Organist	Pam DeVries		
Coffee Hour	Juliette Koch and Jo Coonley		
Greeters	Lowell and Shirley Lange		
4/28/2024	9:00 am		
Reader	Paul Flint		
Greeters	Lowell and Shirley Lange		
Coffee Hour	Lydia and Marlee Maas and Jane Crawford		

Offering 4/14/24			
General:	\$	365.00	
Building:	\$	20.00	
Radio	\$		
Automated Giving General Bldg	\$	804.99	
Total	\$	1,189.99	



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Prayer List:

The family of Arlo Pralle, (Rod Pralle's father),
Bob Abendshein, Issiah Greimann, Judy Holbrook, Nancy Knipfel,
Dale Heitland, Tauni and Mike Harmon
(daughter and son-in-law of Terry and Karen Wheeler)
Justin Mejia, Terry Wheeler, Verna Humburg, Jo Klein,
Robert Swanson and the Call Committee Process.

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