

CALAMUS LUTHERAN PARISH

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

8:00 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

10:30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2015

Welcome in Jesus' name. Please consider using the prelude
as a time for meditation and silent prayer.

This is the ideal time for quiet preparation, as we come to worship God.

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, page 210

*(*Please stand, if you are able)*

GATHERING

EASTER GREETING:

P: Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** – pages 211—212

***GATHERING SONG:** *We Give Thee but Thine Own* – Hymn 686

***GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***HYMN OF PRAISE:** *"Glory to God..."* – pages 213—15

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Acts 4:5—12

L: A reading from Acts.

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let 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. This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

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

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 23

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

**He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;**

he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.

**Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff –
they comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

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

Second Reading: 1 John 3:16—24

L: A reading from 1 John.

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How 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?

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

And 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. All 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.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*** ♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia. Lord to whom..."** - page 216

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 10:11—18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The 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. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I 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. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No 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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: Our Savior's – Dan Burke; Faith – Mark Witte
Silence for reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY:** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* – Hymn 502

CONFESSION OF FAITH – NICENE CREED

P: Using the words of the Nicene Creed let us confess our holy faith:

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;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again from the dead,
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.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

(Each petition ends with P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

***PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

***THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD**

P: Let us pray.

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen

***LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: Almighty God, who raised our Lord Jesus from death, lift you up and restore you to wholeness.

C: Amen.

P: Jesus Christ, the Word of life, bless you and send you to be his witnesses.

C: Amen.

P: God the Holy Spirit, who renews the whole earth, refresh you in the gift of baptism this day and always.

C: Amen.

***SENDING SONG: *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* – Hymn 836**

*DISMISSAL:

P: Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord!

C: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Ringling of the Bell

Postlude

Alternate Worship Texts: *Sundays & Seasons*, copyright ©2015 Augsburg Fortress

Organist:	Our Savior's:	Jason Boussetot
Pianist:	Faith:	Rachel Boussetot
Altar Ministry:	Faith:	Mark & Marsha Witte
Acolytes:	Our Savior's:	Maia Glover (CA), Hailey Glover
	Faith:	Beth Tulley, Anne Tulley
Lector:	Our Savior's:	Mark Olson
	Faith:	Jeannene Boussetot
Ushers:	Our Savior's:	David Olson, Dan Burke
	Faith:	Mark Witte, Dirk Braet, Brian Tulley, Dick Johnson, Gary Braet
Cleaners:	Our Savior's:	Art and Sharon Boussetot

Welcome to our guests and visitors. We are happy to have you worship with us this morning. Please come back and worship with us again.

There is a **"cry room"** available in the back of each church, if you would like to make use of the accommodations.

There is a Sunday School class for all those three years of age and above. Please join us at 9:25 a.m. at Faith Church.

Those to keep in prayer this week: For the birth of William Jeffrey, son of Dan and Cindy Burke, For the family of Eleanor Cook (Pastor Aanonson's mother-in-law) who passed away this week; For Vicki Sharp, Claire Wallace, Josie Watham, Nancy Ramige, Malinda Malmanger, Signe Rock, Alice Schroeder, Florence Petersen and Myrna Kay Petersen.

William Jeffrey, son of Dan and Cindy Burke, arrived on Thursday, April 23 at 8:19 a.m. – 8 lbs. 4 oz. and 20.5" long. Congratulations to all!

Confirmation Class meets at 6:00 p.m. at Faith Church on Wednesday.

Bible School Staff: All those planning to help with Wednesday Bible School are asked to meet at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 29 at Faith to prepare for "Catch the Buzz."

The God Squad has planned a visit to Wheatland Manor. The Sunday School children have made gifts for the residents. So...**on Sunday, May 3, the children of the parish will meet at Wheatland Manor during Sunday School time.** Parents, please take your children directly to Wheatland Manor at 9:30 instead of to church for Sunday School. Parents are encouraged to stay and help the children deliver May baskets to the residents. It is also important to stay and provide rides back home or to Faith for worship.

Children of Faith and Our Savior's may invite their friends and neighbors to join them at **Wednesday Bible School on May 6, 13 and 20 at Faith Church.** It is for children age 4 through grade 6. Parents must make arrangements with the school to have their children ride the bus to the church after school. Bible School ends at 5:30.

This Week At A Glance

Today	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School/God Squad/Adult Class - F
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. -	Confirmation Class at Faith Church
	7:00 p.m. -	Bible School Staff at Faith Church
Sunday	8:00 a.m. -	Worship Service at Our Savior's Church
	9:25 a.m. -	Sunday School meet at Wheatland Manor
	9:25 a.m. -	Adult Class at Faith Church
	10:30 a.m. -	Worship Service at Faith Church

Our Savior's:

Worship Attendance, April 19 40

Faith:

Worship Attendance, April 19 52

Offering, Sunday, April 19 \$1,552.00

Needed Weekly to Meet Budget \$1,320.00

Sunday School Attendance, April 19 29

God Squad Attendance, April 19 6

Adult Class Attendance, April 19 14

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Martin Luther's *Small Catechism*

Martin Luther wrote the *Small Catechism* as a means by which *the head of the family shall teach* (the Christian faith) *to* (his/her) *household*. He began with the Ten Commandments. This he did because, as Law, the Commandments show us our sin and our need for the Gospel. He followed with the Apostles' Creed because the Gospel is proclaimed in the Creed. Next, he used the Petitions of the Lord's Prayer to teach us how to live in this gift of grace we receive through the Gospel.

The Lord's Prayer – The Introduction

Our Father, Who art in heaven.

What does this mean? *Here God would encourage us to believe that He is truly our Father and we are truly His children in order that we may approach Him boldly and confidently in prayer, even as beloved children approach their dear father. (Book of Concord. Theodore G. Tappert, translator. p. 345).*

Prayer: Lord God, Holy and Heavenly Father, out of Your great storehouse of love You have given to us Your name so that we may call upon You in all times of need and come to You in complete confidence that You hear and answer our prayers. May Your Holy Spirit provoke us to believe this and be bold to act on this. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.