

Worship  
Second Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2022  
8:30 & 9:45am



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## Welcome to Worship

Whether one's feet are big or small, fresh or worn, running or crawling  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is:  
**Together on the Journey, Sharing God's Love**

### PRELUDE

### GREETING

L. Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**C. Christ is Risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG            *"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!"*

**Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our king!**

**To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's mighty stone is rolled away;  
let all the earth rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord,  
the life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### CALL TO WORSHIP (*Acts 4*)

L.                As early Followers of Jesus gathered

**Piano Side. for fellowship and worship,**

**Pulpit Side. praying and singing and reading the scriptures,**

**All. so we gather this morning.**

L.                We read in Acts that the whole group of those who believed were of one heart  
and soul.

**Piano Side. One heart.**

**Pulpit Side. One soul.**

L.                They shared everything –

**Piano Side. everything they owned,**

**Pulpit Side. everything they had.**

L.                God's grace was at work in them,

**Piano Side. powerfully at work**

**Pulpit Side. within them all.**

L.                There was not a needy person among them.

**All. May it be so for us as well.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

L. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you.

**C. And also with you.**

L. Let us pray together,

**C. God, whose glorious deeds have been recorded for all time by witnesses whose lives were touched by divine grace, we gather to affirm your wondrous works of love. As heirs to your Good News, let our witness be as convincing, so that generations to come will know and honor your holy name. Amen.**

(9:45) RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(All who are able, please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"*

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

BIBLE READING Acts 1:3-11

After his suffering, he showed them that he was alive with many convincing proofs. He appeared to them over a period of forty days, speaking to them about God's kingdom. While they were eating together, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait for what the Father had promised. He said, "This is what you heard from me: John baptized with water, but in only a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." As a result, those who had gathered together asked Jesus, "Lord, are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel now?" Jesus replied, "It isn't for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. Rather, you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." After Jesus said these things, as they were watching, he was lifted up and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going away and as they were staring toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood next to them. They said, "Galileans, why are you standing here, looking toward heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way that you saw him go into heaven."

The Word of the Lord.

**C. Thanks be to God!**

(Please be seated)

MESSAGE Pastor Leesa Soderlind

SONG OF THE DAY *"I Love to Tell the Story"*

**I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.**

*Refrain:* **I love to tell the story, 'twill by my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

**I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet! I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy word. *Refrain***

**I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain***

(9:45) WORSHIP MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God the Father,  
who reveals His love to us in Christ.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who pours out God's Holy Spirit on us.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
who teaches us God's truth.**

**We believe in one God:  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L. Lord in your mercy,

**C. Hear our Prayer.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING *(Acts 5 & Acts 9)*

As witnesses to the transforming power of God in our lives, thank you for being generous in your giving, that others may draw life from the bounty of God's blessings.

OFFERING *You can place your offering in the plate upon entering or leaving  
worship. Or you may give online at our website.  
Thank you for your generosity.*

OFFERTORY SONG *"What Have We to Offer?"*

**What have we to offer? What have we to share? Coins from the coffer,  
hearts filled with care. God will not falter; so let us dare lay it at the altar there.**

OFFERING PRAYER

**Glory to you, O God, for the great things you have done. And so, in gratitude and  
praise, we return these gifts to you, that they may be a blessing for others – the food  
of compassion to those who hunger for mercy; the water of justice to those who  
thirst for righteousness; the comfort of your love to those who are lost and alone.  
In trust and gratitude, we pray. Amen.**

(All who are able, please stand)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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

L. This is the table of God's love, the feast of Christ's grace.

**C. All are welcome here!**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

## COMMUNION BLESSING

### BLESSING

- L. As you go from this place;  
May you live within the Creator's divine grace.  
May you live out Jesus' boundary-less love.  
May you live through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**C. Amen.**

### CLOSING SONG      *"Rise, Shine, You People"*

**Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.**

**Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling, your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling. To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.**

**Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us. Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us. Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation God's new creation.**

### DISMISSAL (Acts 2)

- P. Listen to these words –  
Jesus of Nazareth was a man whose credentials God proved  
through miracles, wonders, and signs.  
Go in Jesus' name to share the good news.

**C. We will! Thanks be to God!**

### **This Week Please Pray For:**

#### **Healing:**

Emily Glass, recovering from surgery  
Ted Hakanson, lung cancer, getting stronger after treatment and waiting for test results  
Bruce Bentson, cancer treatment  
Carter Robinson, recovering from work accident  
Larry Vogt, complications from hip replacement surgery  
Jean Buchholz, hospice care  
Becki Silk, surgery to repair complications from hip replacement surgery  
Brit Any Wels, hospitalized  
Elsie Forsham, hospitalized

#### **Grief:**

Bruce Onstead, grieving the death of his father Lowell  
Family and friends grieving the death of Merrill Baker, especially his sister Linda.  
Family and friends grieving the death of Nancy Roschin (stepmother of Kim McMonigal)  
The friends and family of Jim Deering at his recent death especially his wife Debbie

#### **Other:**

Ukraine  
New Members joining Good Shepherd