



LORD of LOVE
Lutheran Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Eager and Willing to Proclaim the Risen Christ

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

May 14, 2023

DIVINE SERVICE II

OPENING HYMN (CWS 719:1-3)

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
2 For three long days the grave did its worst
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear.
4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave.
5 Christ has a - ris - en; he sets us free.



Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.
Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
You look for Je - sus who is not here.
He has a - ris - en this world to save.
Al - le - lu - ia, to him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
He who gives life did death un - der - go.
See for your - selves the tomb is all bare.
Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done.
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
And in its con - quest his might did show.
On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

STAND

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Mark 10:47

Kyrie

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: **Christ, have mercy.**

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

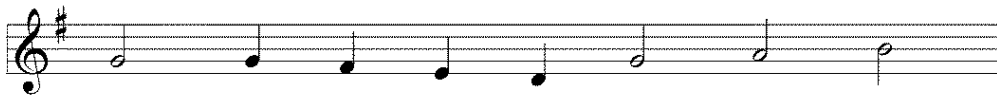
M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: **Amen.**

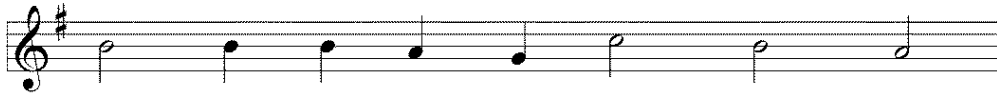
GLORY BE TO GOD

Luke 2:14

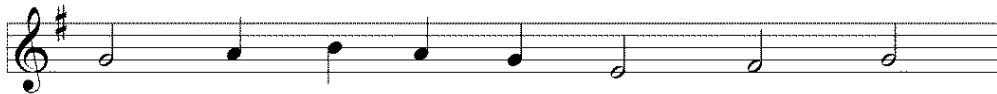
Gloria in Excelsis



1 All glo - ry be to God on high!
2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring,
3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray.
4 You, Christ, are ho - ly— Lord a - lone;



Your name, O Lord, we glo - ri - fy;
For your great glo - ry, heav'n - ly King,
You take all hu - man sin a - way.
The Fath - er's glo - ry you made known.



We praise you for your peace and grace,
For all, O Fath - er, you have done
Have mer - cy, Lord; re - ceive our prayer;
We by your Spir - it sing a - gain:



Your fav - or toward our fal - len race.
Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.
From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.
"All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.



THE WORD

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, you are the giver of everything good. Inspire us, your humble servants, to long for what is right and, through your gracious guidance, accomplish it to your glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Acts 17:22-31

²² Then Paul stood up in front of the council of the Areopagus and said, “Men of Athens, I see that you are very religious in every way. ²³ For as I was walking around and carefully observing your objects of worship, I even found an altar on which had been inscribed, ‘To an unknown god.’ Now what you worship as unknown—this is what I am going to proclaim to you.

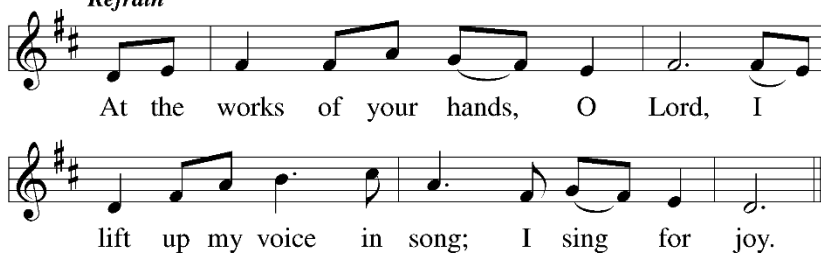
²⁴ “The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples made with hands. ²⁵ Neither is he served by human hands, as if he needed anything, since he himself gives all people life and breath and everything they have. ²⁶ From one man, he made every nation of mankind to live over the entire face of the earth. He determined the appointed times and the boundaries where they would live. ²⁷ He did this so they would seek God and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’ As some of your own poets have said, ‘Indeed, we are also his offspring.’

²⁹ “Therefore, since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by human skill and planning. ³⁰ Although God overlooked the times of ignorance, he is now commanding all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has set a day on which he is going to judge the world in righteousness by the man he appointed. He provided proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.”

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 66

Refrain



At the works of your hands, O Lord, I
lift up my voice in song; I sing for joy.

Psalm tone



Shout with joy to God, all the earth!*

Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious!

Praise our God, O peoples,*

let the sound of his praise be heard.

He has preserved our lives*
and kept our feet from slipping.

Refrain

Come and listen, all you who fear God;*

let me tell you what he has done for me.

If I had cherished sin in my heart,*
the Lord would not have listened;

but God has surely listened*
and heard my voice in prayer.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 3:13-22

¹³ Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you should happen to suffer because of righteousness, you are blessed. Do not be afraid of what they fear, and do not be troubled. ¹⁵ But regard the Lord, the Christ, as holy in your hearts. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that is in you. ¹⁶ But speak with gentleness and respect, while maintaining a clear conscience, so that those who attack your good way of life in Christ may be put to shame because they slandered you as evildoers.

¹⁷ Indeed, it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil, ¹⁸ because Christ also suffered once for sins in our place, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in flesh but was made alive in spirit, ¹⁹ in which he also went and made an announcement to the spirits in prison. ²⁰ These spirits disobeyed long ago, when God's patience was waiting in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In this ark a few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. ²¹ And corresponding to that, baptism now saves you—not the removal of dirt from the body but the guarantee of a good conscience before God through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. ²² He went to heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

M: Alleluia. If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:15-21

¹⁵ "If you love me, hold on to my commands. ¹⁶ I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever. ¹⁷ He is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it does not see him or know him. You know him because he stays with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will see me no longer, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ The one who has my commands and holds on to them is the one who loves me. And the one who loves me will be loved by my Father. I too will love him and show myself to him."

HYMN (CW 562)

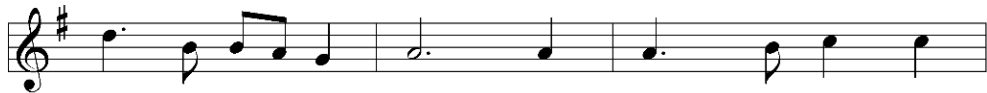
I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a -
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it



bove, Of Je - sus and his glo - ry, Of
 best Seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing To



Je - sus and his love. I love to tell the
 hear it like the rest. And when in scenes of



sto - ry Be - cause I know it's true; It
 glo - ry I sing the new, new song, 'Twill



sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else can do.
 be the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'Twill be my



theme in glo - ry To tell the old, old



sto - ry Of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Arabella C. Hankey, 1834–1911, abr.
 Tune: HANKEY (76 76 D with Refrain) William G. Fischer, 1835–1912.

Ready Always!

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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.**

GATHERING OF THE THANK-OFFERING

*While the offering is being collected, please sign, pass, and return the
Friendship Register. Thank you!*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O Lord, you bless and protect your people in a world where many false gods, known and unknown, are worshiped. Give your saints a clear and bold proclamation of Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, your Son suffered on our behalf to win salvation for us. Grant that we may have the privilege not only of believing in him but also of suffering for his sake. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of heaven and earth, you have given the Spirit of truth to dwell in us through Holy Baptism. Grant your Spirit's steadfast guidance, that the feet of this congregation and its catechumens may not slip into sin and unbelief, but live always in praise of you before the world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Creator, you made from one man all the nations of the earth, and still you sustain us. Grant good leaders in every land who will seek peace and serve justice. Frustrate the causes of evil, violence and oppression. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father in heaven, you have given us a mirror of your love in the vocation of mothers who nurture, guide and raise their children in all things good. Bless them in their calling. Sustain them through weary and difficult times. Remember in compassion all who are barren, and bring them comfort through the children of your Church. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant healing according to your will, and sustain in faith those for whom we pray [*especially _____*]. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for the salvation and life you give us through Christ Jesus. You do not leave your people as orphans but strengthen the penitent with the body and blood of your Son. Help us to receive what you offer here for our good, that this Holy Communion may strengthen our faith and equip us for your service. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else you know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who rose from the dead in glorious triumph to bring forgiveness to the world and everlasting life to all who believe.

Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

Sanctus

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBER



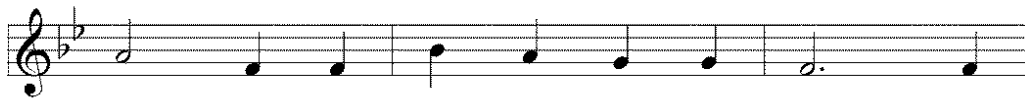
1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is



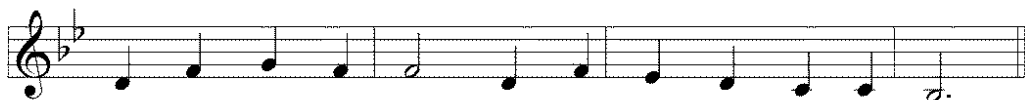
might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In
he Who in God's name is com - ing To



count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and
set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -



save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And
va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De -



in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.
liv - er us from bond - age—Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28
1 Corinthians 11:24,25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

John 1:29



Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



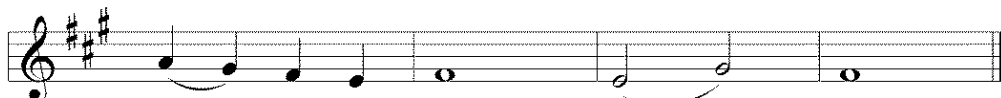
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to our pastor. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with our pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CWS 739)

Baptismal Waters Cover Me



1 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me As
 2 I look to Christ up - on the tree, His
 3 Lord, may your wound - ed hand im - part Your
 4 From your own mouth comes forth a word; Your
 5 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me; Christ's



I ap - proach on bend - ed knee; My
 bod - y bro - ken there for me; I
 heal - ing to my bro - ken heart; Your
 Shep - herd speaks, but you are heard; Through
 wound - ed hand has set me free. Held



Fa - ther's mer - cy here I plead, For
 lay be - fore him all my sin, My
 love a - lone can form in me A
 him your hand now stretch - es out, For -
 in my Fa - ther's strong em - brace, With



griev - ous sins of thought and deed.
 dark - est se - crets from with - in.
 heart that serves you joy - ful - ly.
 giv - ing sin, de - stroy - ing doubt.
 joy I praise him for his grace.

The vital relationship between Holy Baptism and daily repentance and absolution is vividly described in this hymn.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 359)

Jesus, My Great High Priest



1 Je - sus, my great High Priest, Of - fered his blood and
 2 To Christ, my sub - sti - tute, Will I com - mit my
 3 My ad - vo - cate ap - pears For my de - fense on
 4 Should all the hosts of death And pow'rs of hell un -



died; My guilt - y con - science seeks No sac - ri -
 cause; He an - swers and ful - fills His Fa - ther's
 high; A gra - cious Fa - ther hears And lays his
 known Put their most dread - ful forms Of rage and



rice be - side. His pow'r - ful blood did once a -
 bro - ken laws. Be - hold my soul at free - dom
 thun - der by. Not all that hell or sin can
 mis - chief on, I shall be safe, for Christ dis -



tone, And now it pleads be - fore the throne.
 set— My Je - sus paid the dread - ful debt!
 say Shall turn his heart, his love, a - way.
 plays Su - pe - rior pow'r and guard - ian grace.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, abr., alt.
 Tune: BEVAN (66 66 88) John Goss, 1800–80.

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

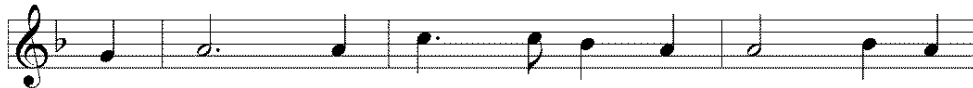
Luke 2:29-32

Nunc Dimittis

Tune: ANGEL'S STORY



1 O Lord, now let your serv - ant De - part in peace,
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to



as - sured: For I have seen your prom - ised In -
the Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For -



car - nate, sav - ing Word— A Light that will en -
ev - er three in one; For as in the be -



light - en All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; The bril - liant,
gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une



crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!
name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CWS 719:4-5)

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia
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Happy Mother's Day!

We thank God for the blessings of our mothers,
today and every day.



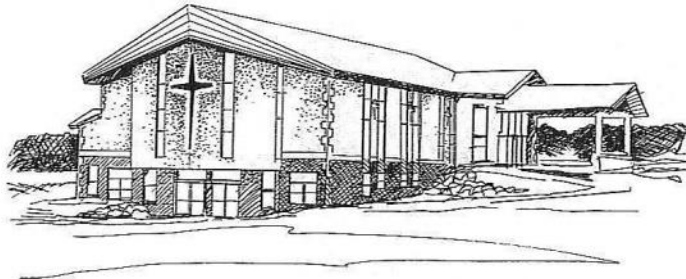
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”
Psalm 122:1**



*Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament.
Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.*



LORD of LOVE *Lutheran Church*

Personal Prayer before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

Personal Prayer after Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 9:15 am: 2 Peter, *sanctuary* (Bible study starts at 9:25 today.)

Tuesday 9:00 am: Heaven and Hell, *upstairs*

Wednesday 6:30 pm: Jonah, *downstairs*

Thursday 6:30 pm: Christian Doctrine Class, *downstairs* (No class May 18)

Friday 6:00 am (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45): **Matthew**

DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)

Sunday May 14: Sixth Sunday of Easter
Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion
Happy Mother's Day

9:15 am: Teen Class and Sunday School

9:15 – 9:25: Sunday School children practice music in sanctuary

9:25 am: Adult Bible Study

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman/Elder: Mike Wilson (8:00) and Steve Kalscheuer (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Lynn Biwer and Roger LaGrange
- Ushers 10:30 am: Chad Heath, Matt Heath and Mark Heath
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

Thursday May 18: Ascension Worship
Worship at 6:30 pm

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Choir Director: Elaine Wilson
- Ushers: *Volunteers needed*
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel
- A/V & Recording: Jen Olson



Sunday May 21: Seventh Sunday of Easter
Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible study

9:15 am: Last day of Teen class and Sunday School for the school year

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Children's Choir Director: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman/Elder: Brian Ehlenbach (8:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Sef Fox, Jack Holzman, Ben Olson and Dave Olson
- Ushers 10:30 am: Chad Heath, Matt Heath and Mark Heath
- Counters: Kim Bauer and Mike Wilson
- Refreshments: *Volunteers needed*
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel
- A/V & Recording: *TBA*

Proposed Summer Worship Schedule

At the April 23rd Open Forum, a suggestion was brought forward by the Worship Committee and discussed with members in attendance to transition from two to one service on Sundays during the summer months. This approach to our summer worship would help create additional fellowship opportunities for Lord of Love members to worship together while allowing the continuation of Bible studies. Summer attendance was also reviewed for the last four years indicating lighter attendance to further support one service. Overall feedback from members in attendance at the Open Forum was positive and in favor of the change.

As follow-up to this support from members in attendance at the open forum, the Church Council in consultation with Pastor Jenswold and Elders Committee are recommending moving forward with holding one service at 9:00 AM during the months of June, July, and August (June 4 – Aug. 27, 2023). A Bible study will be held each Sunday at 8:00 AM. We will return to the two-service schedule starting in September.

Questions or comments regarding this transition can be directed to any member of the Church Council, Pastor Jenswold or Dave Olson, chair of the Elders and Worship Committees. Feedback will be reviewed by the Church Council at the May 15 meeting. Thank You.

Carpet Installation Update: The date for the carpet installation has moved to **May 23 & 24**. Volunteers will be needed to help move items on May 21 and 22. Volunteers can begin at 12 noon on Sunday May 21 to pack up items in boxes and move smaller items including the red chairs. Volunteers are also needed on Monday May 22 starting at 4:00 pm to move furniture and bigger items. Mark your calendars.

Strategic Planning Followup: On Sunday April 23 at our open forum congregational meeting, we reviewed the various ministry plan reports. The congregation is encouraged to pick up a copy of you don't have one for review. Any ideas or suggestions for the various groups can be directed to the group leader listed at the top. There is the condensed version (white paper) and the complete version (cream paper). They are located on the tall round table in the fellowship area.

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Peg Schroeder (5/15), Anna Jaeger (5/17), Kristin Vomhof (5/17), Vicki Hornbeck (5/18), Rob Jordan (5/18), Wayne Kaalberg (5/18), Cayden Myhre (5/18), Jack Sauer (5/18), Mary Federer (5/20), Betty Kannal (5/20) and Nate Sauer (5/20) as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Aaron & Sarah Kerl (5/18) who celebrate their anniversary this Thursday.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Donald Bauer (father of Rich Bauer), Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Dan Pierstorff, Peg Schroeder, Steve Tobison and Malachi Willitz who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Projects at church, volunteers needed:

- Prime and paint the storage room next to the elevator downstairs.
- Help finish installing drywall in the new addition downstairs. There are a couple of workers currently, but additional help is needed. The drywall needs to be lifted and installed then taping, priming, and painting will occur.
- Water new bushes at church: Our new shrubs on the east side, north side and down by the patio should be watered 1 time per week (or more if it is dry). The hose should be allowed to run about 2 minutes per shrub.

If you can help with any of the above items or would like more information, contact Joe Hornbeck at hornbo8410@gmail.com or 608-669-4652.

Malawi: Thank you for the contributions to provide assistance following severe storms in Malawi, Africa. Lord of Love will be sending \$461 to assist with relief efforts through WELS Christian Aid and Relief.

Offerings April 23 - 29

- General Fund: \$12,048
- AV Projectors (Wish List): \$20



Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$7,997

Electronic Giving: You can give contributions to the church electronically through the Vanco Mobile app. Download the free app today in the **Google Play store** or the **Apple App store**. Find the church by searching for Lord of Love Lutheran Church in DeForest, or by its invite code, D4K54K.

(April 23 - 29: In the totals listed above, \$1,868 was given to the general fund through Vanco.)

Looking Ahead:

- **May 21: Last day of Sunday school and teen class**
- **May 21 & 22:** Prep for carpet installation.
- **May 23 & 24:** Carpet installation upstairs of church.
- **May 25 & 26:** Move furniture and items back.
- **July 1:** Food Drive begins for the DeForest/Windsor Food Pantry
- **July 18:** Red Cross Blood Drive at Lord of Love, downstairs. 12 – 5 pm

