

Acts 20:17–35

Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. And 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, serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. But 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. And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. Pay 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. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. And 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. I coveted no one’s silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. In 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.’”

Revelation 7:9–17

After 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, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And 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, saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” I 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. “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. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For 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.”

John 10:22–30

At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. So 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.” Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My 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. I and the Father are one.”

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May 8, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Easter - C
WELCOME to where God gives us His abundant Grace in Christ! Others
have rejected, but now it is given to you! If you are desiring to commune this
week, prepare by reviewing the Christian Questions with their Answers on
page 329 in the hymnal. If you are a guest, kindly speak to one of the pastors
before the service concerning your intentions to accept the privilege of
communing.

WORSHIP PRAYER: Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have
wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit
that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us
each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your
Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.

FIRST READING: Acts 20:17-35 *Keep watch over the flock.*

EPISTLE: Revelation 7:9-17 *“The Lamb in the midst of the throne will be
their shepherd.”*

GOSPEL: John 10:22-30 *“My sheep hear My voice.”*

CATECHETICAL LESSON *What does God say about all these
commandments? What does this mean?* God threatens to punish all who break
these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do
anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who
keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him
and gladly do what he commands.

OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sun/May 8 **4th Sunday of Easter**
Mite Box Sunday
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am
Coffee Fellowship, 9-9:30am
SS/Bible Study, 9:30am
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am
Faith Foundations, 7pm
NYG Meeting, 7pm
Mon/May 9 Board of Christian Education, 6pm
Tues/May 10 Quilters, 9am-12noon
Bd of Stewardship, 6:30pm
LWML All Daughters Potluck, 6:30pm
Wed/May 11 Bible Study @ Deaner’s Diner, 7:00am
Jr. Confirmation, 6pm
Jubilate Choir, 7:15pm
Thu/May 12 Bd of Human Care, 6pm
Fri/May 13 Friday Fun Night, Gr 3-5, 6-8pm
Sat/May 14
Sun/May 15 **5th Sunday of Easter**
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am
Coffee Fellowship, 9-9:30am
SS/Bible Study, 9:30am
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am
Faith Foundations, 7pm

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS this week:
Brandon Mallea, Eileen Sweeten, Lyla Fiechtner, Rochelle Joyce, Betty Trapp,
Joshua Gervais, Lois Hehr, Jessica Bachmeier, Aubrey Else, Brady Millar,
Nicole Marcy, Saffron Hoff, Milton Deplazes, Lorenzo Alaniz

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS this week:
Tim & Tami Hertel, Ward & Rebecca Kitzman, Bruce & Liz Clark

(May 8-15) 4th Sunday of Easter-C
May 8, 2022
Entrance Hymn *See insert*
Confession & Absolution p. 151
Introit *see insert*
No Kyrie
This is the Feast... p. 155
Salutation and Collect p. 156
First Reading *see back*
Gradual *insert*
Second Reading *see back*
Alleluia p. 156
Gospel *see back*
Hymn of the Day #735
Sermon “”
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Prayers
Offering & Hymn #711
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Lord’s Prayer & Institution p. 162
Agnus Dei p. 163
Distribution & Hymns
 #864, #709, #710
“Thank the Lord...” p. 164
Prayer & Benediction p. 166
Closing Hymn #740

**-OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIS PEOPLE AND HIS WORLD-
USED OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP OUR LORD:**

Attendance for last Sunday: 81 + 55 = 136

Shortfall Loan	<u>Giving YTD</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>Month to Date</u>	<u>Last Sunday</u>
	\$ 17,850.14	\$35,886.25	\$ 6,015.00	\$ 6,015.00

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 8,727.25	\$ 13,231.65
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 707.40	\$ 1,522.18

<u>THROUGH MARCH</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
General Fund Income:	\$ 40,045.06	\$ 97,822.24
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 39,947.95	\$ 116,531.31
Net	\$ 97.11	\$ -18,645.79

Mortgage(Building) Fund Income	\$ 5,375.34	\$ 14,272.85
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 19,158.00
Net	\$ -1,010.66	\$ -4,885.15

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK: (May 15)

ELDERS: 8am: Larry Weil
10:45am: Ray Wasness

AV: 8am: Dan Klug/Ava Mutchler
10:45am: Ken Koehler/Axel Lindquist

USHERS: 8am: Bill Kitzman*
Dominic Kolubah, Tom Moltzan
10:45am: Lenny Heupel*
Duane Joyce, Kirk Rosin

ACOLYTES: 8am: Brayden Mutchler
10:45am: Logan Goroski

MUSICIANS: 8am & 10:45am: Susan Jahnke

ALTAR GUILD: Lanae Cajobe, Linda Glass

COMMUNICATING CHRIST OVER THE AIR:

OUR WEB SITE: www.standrewlcms.org

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" Sundays on KFGO AM 790 at 7:30am and on KFNW AM 1200 at 8am. Upcoming topics are posted on the LLL bulletin board.

www.lutheranhour.org.

"CHRIST THE WAY" a radio program featuring ND District LCMS Pastors on KSJB 600AM at 7:30am on Sundays.

OUR SYNOD'S RADIO STATION: www.kfuo.org

DAILY DEVOTIONS by Pastor Klaus at www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp
MEN NETWORK: www.lhmmen.com

ISSUES, ETC: Current events from a Lutheran view. www.issuesetc.org

MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH TV PROGRAM May 15th: **Vicar Aidan Moon, Zion Lutheran Church, Bismarck, ND**, presents the message: "Joy Comes in the Morning," based on John 16:12-22. "This Is The Life" program: "The Main Event" - A boxer who is hit by a car becomes embittered until he meets a cheerful 8-year-old girl. MAIN STREET LIVING" is a locally produced TV program that includes a 30 minute worship service led by participating pastors of the ND and MN North Districts of our LCMS, along with a 30 minute Lutheran Hour program. Programs are broadcast at 9am Central time on FOX station KVRR Channel 15.1, AND 10am Central on WDAY & affiliate Xtra Channels: WDAY Xtra Channel 6.3, and archived on www.mainstreetliving.com (then click on "North").

LWML will be hosting the All Daughter Pot Luck Tuesday, May 10 at 6:30 p.m. So, bring your actual daughters and/or a friend or just yourself plus a dish to share and join us that evening. Upcoming events: Ladies night out will be June 14. Watch for more information. Also, the LWML District Convention is in Fargo June 24-26. Information about the Convention is in the Messenger.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Mark your calendars for VBS! It will be held June 5th-9th from 5:30-7:30 for children age 4 through those entering 6th grade. Registration forms are available outside the education office. We are also looking for volunteers, those entering 7th grade and up. Please contact Laura Kitzan (218)791-7404 or Mariah Hendrickson (701)541-4584 to help.

GRADES 3-5 FRIDAY FUN NIGHT will be held on Friday, May 13th from 6-8pm. This will be our last Friday Fun Night for the school year. Please join us for food, fun, fellowship, and faith! No cost to attend, but bring your own beverage. Invite a friend, and sign up on the youth bulletin board.

SCHOOL'S OUT LOCK IN for youth in grades 6-8 will begin on Thursday May 26th at 7pm and conclude on Friday morning, May 27th, at 7am. Please join us for a free and fun-filled celebration of the end of the school year! Fun & games, Bible study, and lots of food and drinks. The event is free, and friends are always welcome. Sign up on the youth bulletin board.

FARGO MARATHON AID "...Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us." (Hebrews 12:1) Grace Lutheran Church is uniquely situated on the route of the Fargo Marathon, and we are serving as an aid station for the marathon runners. We need your help! Saturday, May 21, we will need volunteers to help setup and serve drinks and encourage the runners, from 7:30am to 1:30pm. If you have questions or are able to help, please contact: Jan Brelje jan.brelje@gracefargo.org call or text 701-238-5485; or Corey Isaak corey.isaak@gracefargo.org call or text 701-281-0240.

MUSICAL ACCOMPANISTS SOUGHT Would you like to offer your musical talent to enhance our worship services? If you are interested in playing a musical instrument to accompany a song or hymn from time to time, please let the church office know this so that you can be contacted. Thank you! (Alternate Music Committee, Board of Elders)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT John 10:27 - "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." On their own sheep are in great danger. They need a shepherd to guide them. The sheep know the Shepherd's voice, and we delight to go where He leads. Of course, the world, the devil, and our own sinful flesh want to pull us in another direction. Namely, they want to pull us in the direction of death. But following the Shepherd means life. So, no matter how difficult the path is, let us follow the Shepherd!

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR JONATHAN JAHNKE Pastor Jonathan Jahnke, a son of the congregation, has accepted the call to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Alexandria, MN. The Installation Service will be at 2pm on Saturday, June 4th. You are welcome to attend. If you are interested in carpooling, please call the church office. Leave your name, number and share if you want a ride or could drive. We'll see what we can coordinate.

USHERS NEEDED There are several tasks, none of them difficult, but all very important. You can even choose early or late service and the date. If you have questions ask one of the ushers after service or contact Mary in the office. If you wish to become an usher, let Mary in the office know with your preferred service.

WOMEN'S CARE CENTER has an opening for a full-time or part-time nurse or sonographer. Seeking special people committed to our mission, who are personable with excellent communication skills. Will train. Please forward your resume to angela@wccnd.com or call 701-532-1928 for further details or questions.

ARE YOU LOOKING for a way to further support the sanctity of human life? If so, please consider occasionally taking an hour or two whenever you are able to provide an additional "sidewalk presence" near the abortion facility in downtown Fargo on Wednesdays. Life-saving options include: praying, offering brochures, holding signs, and/or extending a verbal offer to help choose life. Free help, including ultrasounds for those with an unexpected pregnancy, are available at the "Women's Care Center" (formerly "First Choice Clinic") now re-located only 7 blocks away! For more information feel free to contact Ken Koehler @ 701-429-3092. Thank you.

Introit

I am the good | shepherd.*

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep.

He chose David his servant and took him from the | sheepfolds;*

from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his in- | heritance.*

With upright heart he shep- | herded them*

and guided them with his | skillful hand.

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you for- | ever;*

from generation to generation we will re- | count your praise.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I am the good | shepherd.*

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual

Christ has risen | from the dead.*

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor,

He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;*

he has put all things un- | der his feet.

Verse

Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me. Alleluia.

1. The Lord's my shepherd, leading me To pastures newly green;
Deep flow the waters of his care, His mercies unforeseen.
He loves me so, he leads me to His pastures gently green.

2. My hungry soul he fills again With manna from above;
He sets my footsteps right again In pathways of his love.
For his name's sake he nurtures me With manna from above.

3. Even within the vale of death I feel no threat'ning chill,
His rod and staff protecting me, His love beside me still.
His guardian love protecting me, I fear no threat of ill.

4. How he confounds my enemies By richly blessing me;
His cup of promise overflows With generosity.
Anointing me his chosen one He richly blesses me.

5. I take my stand forevermore Within my shepherd's fold,
Secure in his forgiving love. How gently strong his hold!
He loves me so, he leads me to His blessings rich and bold.

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