Old Testament Acts 2:42-47

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. 44And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Epistle 1 Peter 2:19-25

¹⁹This is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his

wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

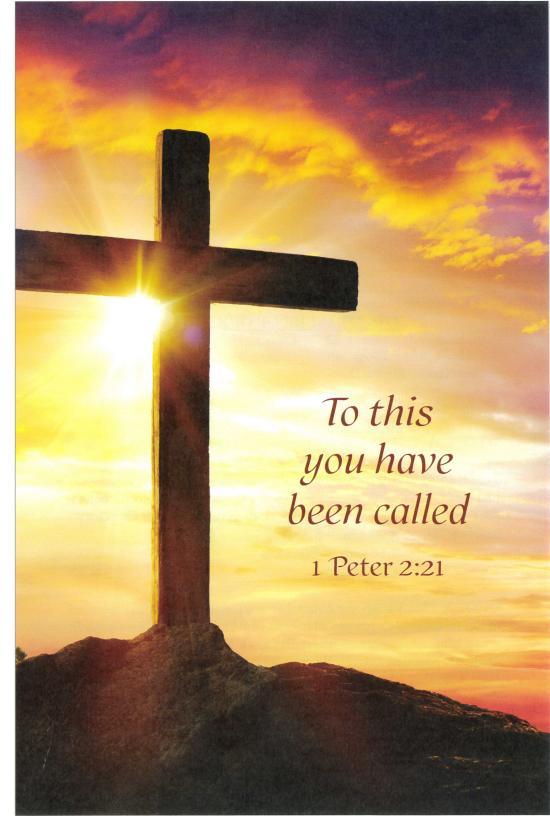
Holy Gospel John 10:1–10

¹[Jesus said:] "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ²But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." 6This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."



About the Cover: We ought not think that our lives as God's people will be without suffering. We should expect it. However, on the other side of Christ's resurrection, our view of suffering has been forever changed. When the Lord works endurance and faith through suffering, it is a gracious thing to be counted as such by those belonging to Christ. He died and rose so that we may place all our confidence in Him. "He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it" (1 Thessalonians 5:24).



4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 26 & 30, 2023 Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

St. Bartholomew Lutheran Church 105 Horn St., Brillion, WI (920) 756-3031 (Church Office) (785) 307-1381 (Pastor Cell) www.stbartbrillion.org

Rev. Joshua Brandmahl, Pastor Wednesday, Emma Levash, Organist Sunday, Devin Zahringer, Organist Pastor Email: sblcpastor@gmail.com Secretary Email: sblcoffice105@gmail.com

Hymns: 709, 740, 625, 770, 920

Holy Communion: Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 4/19	(Wed): 32	Comm.: 31	Offering: \$496.06
Attendance 4/23	(Sun): 66	Comm.: 51	Offering: \$1,233.07
Budget Needs: \$3,098.21			Scrip Profit 4/23: \$38.90
S.S 6		Staff - 2	B.C 11

	KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK
WED $(5/3)$	1:45 p.m. – Confirmation Class
	7:00 p.m. – Worship
THUR (5/4)	1:00 – 8:00 p.m. Pictures for Photo Directory
FRI (5/5)	11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Pictures for Photo Directory
SAT (5/6)	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Pictures for Photo Directory
SUN (5/7)	8:00 a.m. – S.S./B.C.
	9:00 a.m. – Worship

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Harlen Krahn who has returned to the hospital with pneumonia; Fran (father of Brigette Sonnabend); Alvin Bladow (brother of Roger Bladow), Vincent Sucivic (grandson of Duane & Karen Loose), Wilfred Boldt, Julie Boldt, Kay Koffarnus, Jules Clausing (infection), Carol Clausing, Sandy Haberland, Elaine Zeamer, Lori Krueger, and Terry Brandenburg.

Confirmation

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by Tony & Susan Wittmann in honor of their anniversary.

MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE will again take place on May 14th. Roses are \$3 each. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to purchase a rose for Right to Life. You can pick up the rose after the service on Mother's Day. Proceeds go to Mother & Unborn Baby at Appleton and Pro-Life exhibit at the Calumet County Fair. Deadline is Sunday, May 7th.

ELECTRONIC GIVING - You can now manage your electronic giving by going to our website www.stbartbrillion.org and clicking the member resources tab and choose electronic giving and click on the link. Please note: if you are currently doing electronic giving and want to manage your account online, you MUST contact the church office to cancel your current account. If you have any questions with this please contact the church office.

GRASS CUTTERS – we are looking for volunteers to cut the grass. You can sign up for a week or a month. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please contact the trustees.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY - Sign up for your portrait session by either using the QR code below or stop by the table in the narthex after any Wednesday or Sunday services. The dates are May 4-6. If you have any questions, please contact Alice Koerth at 920-676-5159.



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY GREETERS are needed. There is one spot left on Friday May 5th from 1-3 p.m. If you are able to help, please sign up on the bulletin board.

CONFIRMATION AND GRADUATION CARDS are available in the card room.

ANNUAL PANCAKE SUPPER - Today (Sunday) at Zion Lutheran Church, New Holstein, from 3-6 p.m. All you can eat potato and buttermilk pancakes. Also serving brats, hamburgers, applesauce, dessert, milk & coffee. Cost: \$14 adults; \$8/6-12 years; 5 & under free.