



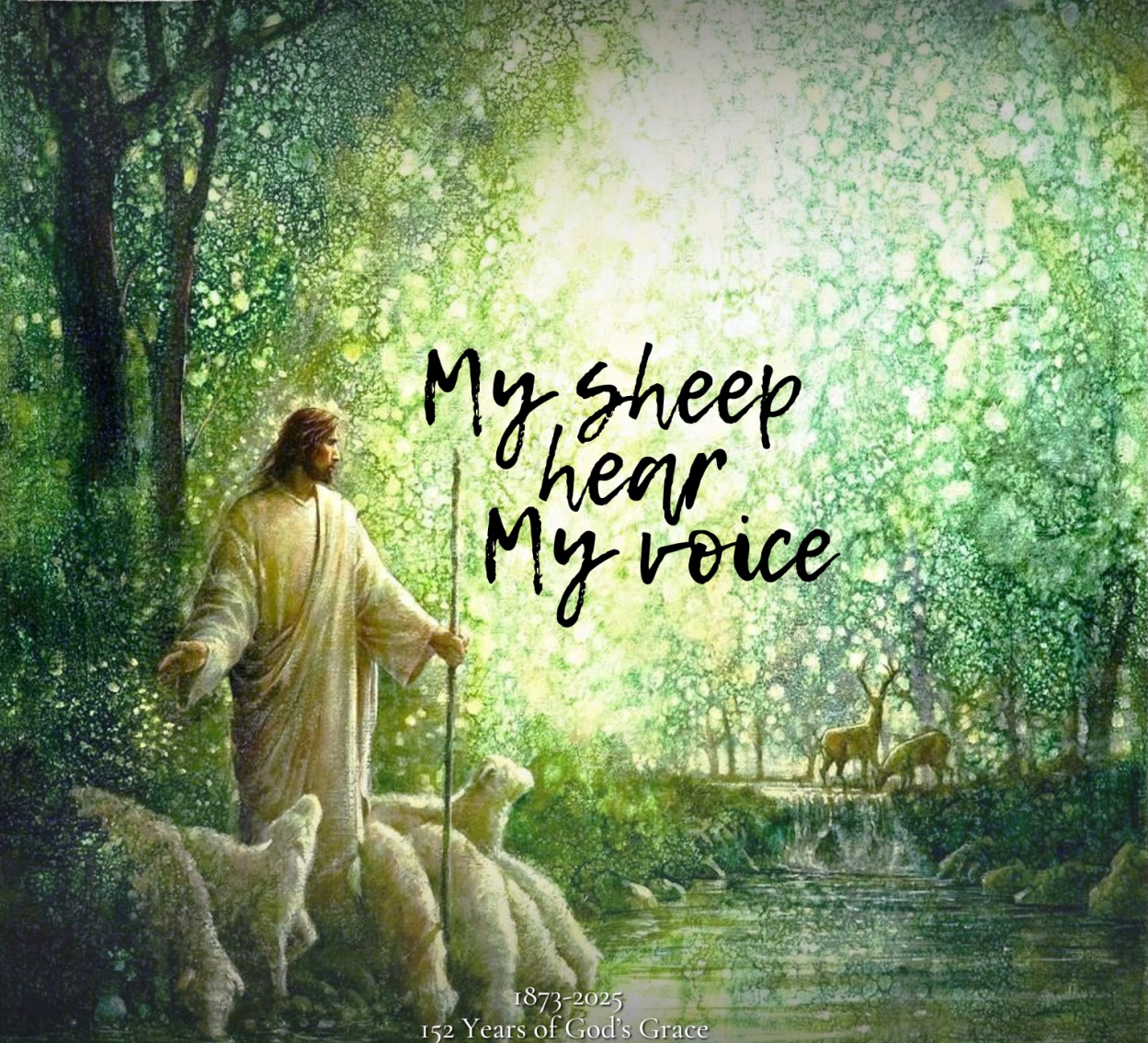
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A painting of Jesus with long hair and a beard, wearing a white robe, standing in a lush green forest. He holds a wooden staff and is surrounded by several white sheep. In the background, a stream flows over rocks, and two deer are visible near a small waterfall. The scene is bathed in soft, golden light filtering through the trees.

My sheep
hear
My voice

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Sharing with Everyone the Good News of Salvation Through Jesus Christ!

Divine Service with
Holy Communion
9:00am

Bible Class and
Sunday School
10:15 a.m.

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Sunday, May 11, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Easter

✠ IN NOMINE JESU ✠
(In the Name of Jesus)

GUESTS & VISITORS: Welcome to Holy Cross and to today's worship service. We are glad you are here! Please register your attendance in the Fellowship Book in the pew (be sure to include the name of any children with you today). We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you have any questions, or have an interest in joining Holy Cross, please speak with Pastor or one of our Elders.

OUR COMMUNION POLICY: Communicant members of LC-MS congregations are welcome to join us for Communion. Please mark the Fellowship Book, providing us with your address and the name of your home congregation. In keeping with our confessional heritage, we practice "close communion." If you are not a member of an LC-MS congregation and wish to commune, we ask that you please visit with Pastor or one of our Elder's before partaking of Holy Communion. Thank you.

IN TODAY'S READINGS: *The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep*

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came from the Father and became flesh among us in order to rescue us, His sheep. He laid down His life for us and took it up again in order to give us eternal life. By the preaching of His Gospel, He calls His sheep to Himself and keeps them with Him forever. As they hear His voice and follow Him, "*they will never perish*" (John 10:28), for "*no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand*" (John 10:29). In the same way, faithful pastors (literally, "shepherds") "*care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood*" (Acts 20:28), "*testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ*" (Acts 20:21). Therefore, with all the company of heaven, the Good Shepherd gathers His flock in worship, as they cry: "*Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!*" (Rev. 7:10).

PRELUDE - *Selected*

THE RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING HYMN *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* *LSB Hymn 709*

The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his And he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul he leadeth
And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought me
And on his shoulder gently laid And home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill With thee, dear Lord, beside me,
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight From thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise Within thy house forever!

[Please stand]

INVOCATION

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P In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

C **♪ Amen.**

Matthew 28:20

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins
unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to
grant us forgiveness. *[Hebrews 10:22]*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C **♪ Who made heaven and earth.**

Psalms 124:8

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C **♪ And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.** *Psalms 32:5*

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee
that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee
by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy,
seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for
us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our**

sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end, that by Thy grace, we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

☐ Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy up on and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the sons of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

☐ **♪ Amen.**

[John 20:19-23]

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT - *Psalm 78:70-72; 79:13; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b*

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 inheritance.

With upright heart he shepherded them
and guided them with his skillful hand.

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever;
from generation to generation we will recount your praise.

I am the good shepherd.

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

GLORIA PATRI

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☐ **♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

KYRIE

☐ **♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Mark 10:47

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast

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Refrain:

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ the Lamb, who was slain
Whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain*

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength and honor, blessing and glory are His.

Refrain

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

Refrain

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. *Refrain*

SALUTATION AND COLLECT FOR THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C **♪ And with thy spirit.**

P 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

C **♪ Amen.**

[Please sit]

FIRST READING

Acts 20:17-35

¹⁷Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸And 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, ¹⁹servicing the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But 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. ²⁵And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, ²⁷for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay 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. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not

sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And 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. ³³I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In 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.'"

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

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 under his feet.

EPISTLE READING

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After 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, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And 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, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I 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.

¹⁵"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. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For 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."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

[Please stand and face the pastor in the center of the nave, a sign of Christ's presence among His people]

VERSE

Romans 6:9; John 10:14

C **♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P 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.

C **♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

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

C **♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So 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." ²⁵Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My 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. ³⁰I and the Father are one."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

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I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*

Hymn 436

SERMON "Jesus, One With the Father"

[Please stand]

OFFERTORY

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☩ **♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Psalm 51:10-12

[Please sit]

RECEIPT OF OFFERINGS

PAUSE TO PONDER: 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!

[Please stand]

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, in Your name Your Son purchased us with His own most holy blood, and He now leads us through the gate of death to our eternal home with You. As the sheep of His fold, inspire us to hear His voice gladly and to follow Him steadfastly through every tribulation. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, Shepherd of souls, Your apostle Paul promised that fierce opposition and twisted speech would come against Your Church, even from within her own fold. Raise up faithful men to pastor Your flock through these threats, and grant that they would not shrink from proclaiming the kingdom of Christ. 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.**

O God, our King, You are Lord of all peoples, nations and tribes. Grant wisdom and truth to those who rule this land, that they may faithfully promote good and punish evil. Wherever our courts or laws are contrary to Your will, reform them for Your mercy's sake. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, You have not forgotten us in our afflictions or abandoned us in our weakness. Deliver the sick and suffering according to Your will, and give comfort to the dying, especially to those who have requested our prayers including Ralph, Charles, Frances, Courney, Linda, Al, Layne, and all those on our hearts and minds. Guard us against despair, and grant us patience in the days of our trouble as we await Your perfect healing. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of all the living, You shepherd Your saints through the gate of death, out of all tribulation, to the very throne room of heaven. Bless those who grieve and give them eyes of faith to see the deaths they mourn in light of the resurrection of Your Son. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our Shepherd, You calm all fears in this valley of the shadow of death, and You prepare the holy table of Your Son's testament for us in the presence of our enemies. Grant us repentant and faithful hearts. In every tribulation or besetting sin, lead us to find comfort and strength in Your overflowing mercy given to us here in this Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, enthroned in heaven, You gather Your saints into the shelter of Your presence, making them white in the blood of the Lamb. Keep us faithful throughout our lives here, and bring us through death to join them in the ceaseless praises of heaven. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, You promised to raise up a shepherd to deliver Your sheep from all their enemies. We give You thanks for giving us Your own Son to be our Good Shepherd. Grant us to hear His voice, know Him by faith and follow where He leads, that He may deliver us into Your arms forever; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
- C** **♪ And with thy spirit.**
- P** Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*
- C** **♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. *[Psalm 136]*
- C** **♪ It is meet and right so to do.**
- P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and hath taken away the sins of the world; who by His death hath destroyed death and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

SANCTUS

- C** **♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory; Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.** *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

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.** *Matthew 6:9-13*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

PAX DOMINI AND AGNUS DEI

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always! *John 20:19*
- C** **♪ Amen.**

If you are unable to climb the chancel steps without assistance, please come forward at this time.

C **♪** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen. *John 1:29*

Silent Prayer before Communing:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul at the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

LSB Hymn 466



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.

Refrain

Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;
 Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.
 Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!
 Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain
O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe
Who is This that Comes from Edom
Jesus Christ Our Blessed Savior
Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness

Hymn 204
Hymn 263
Hymn 209
Hymn 311
Hymn 305

Silent Prayer after Communing:

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

[Please stand]

NUNC DIMITTIS

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☩ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Luke 2:29-32

THANKSGIVING AND POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

☩ And His mercy endures forever.

Psalms 107:1

P O God the Father, Fount and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness did send Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament; and we ask You not to forsake Your children, but evermore to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C  **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Children of the Heavenly Father

LSB Hymn 725

1. Children of the Heavenly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.

3. Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all he knoweth.

2. God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bares them.

4. Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

POSTLUDE

OUTREACH THOUGHT: John 10:22-30: Most of us have seen the commercial by Verizon Wireless. It's the old one where the guy walks around to various places where a phone normally would not work and he asks the question, "Can you hear me now?" And getting the affirmation that he has been heard - loud and clear - he responds, "Good!" The risen Good Shepherd gives us renewed clarity today. The Day is coming when everyone will hear His voice. By then, it will be too late to respond to that Voice in repentant faith. So, our daily mission is to give clarity to one voice and to one voice alone - the Risen Christ. When the storms of life are raging, when the doctor says, "cancer," when people are facing the crossroads of life, can they hear Jesus, their Good Shepherd and follow Him? Only when the answer is YES for the entire world can we feel content. Until then, keep asking, "Can you hear the Good Shepherd?"

LOOKING AHEAD:Next week, our texts take us back into the upper room with Jesus, to Peter's defense of his preaching to Gentiles, and to a snapshot of the new heavens and the new earth on the last day. That's a lot to ponder in just one Sunday! But one thread that ties all three together is this: where Jesus is, there is joy! No matter who you are, no matter, what circumstances of life you're in, with Jesus...there is joy. Join us next week to hear more about this fantastic truth! Readings are Acts 11:1-18; Revelation 21:1-7; John 16:12-22.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE CLASS - If you've ever looked closely at the engraved stone on the outside wall of our church, you may have noticed the letters "U.A.C." carved just below the congregation's name. U.A.C. refers to the "Unaltered Augsburg Confession." What does this mean? I'm glad you asked! We are studying the Augsburg Confession, one of the Lutheran Church's foundational documents. First presented on June 24, 1530, this confession demonstrated the Reformers' adherence to the faith once delivered to the saints and also called into question those teachings of Medieval Roman Catholicism that were contrary to the Word of God. Join us as continue our study of history, doctrine, and of course, Scripture!

May Game Day will be held this Thursday, May 15th at 12PM in the fellowship hall with a light lunch provided. Come join us for a fun afternoon of games and visiting with friends!

The Wednesday night Bible Study group meets on Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m in the family room. For more information about this study, please contact Cyndy Zoch at cyndy.zoch@gmail.com or 979-966-3166.

Graduates! Do you have a student graduating from high school or college this month? Send the details to holycrosswarda@gmail.com and we will recognize them in the June newsletter. Be sure to include child name and relation, school name, date of graduation, degree earned, future plans, etc.

Mark your Calendar! The picnic planning meeting has been set for Tuesday, July 8th, at 6PM. All committee chairman and representatives from Ladies Aid and FLHS are asked to attend.

FAITH LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Youth Camps

Summer camps are back! We are excited to offer a variety of camps for youth this summer. Ages are for grades NEXT school year.

May 27 to May 29 - Basketball - Grades K to 8 - \$25

June 2-3 - Archery - Grade 4 to 8 - \$20

June 9-11 - Volleyball - Grade 3 to 8 - \$25

June 16-18 - STEM Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$50

June 23-25 - Art Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$50

Please visit our website or Facebook page for more information! Don't wait --- Sign up today!! Space is limited!

8th Annual Golf Tournament

Faith Lutheran High School will be holding their annual golf tournament fundraiser on Friday, May 30th at Frisch Auf Country Club in La Grange Texas. Shotgun starts at 8:00 AM and 1 PM. For more information on entering a 4 person team or to sign up as a sponsor, please call (979) 242-2889 or visit our website at www.flhstx.org.

Staff Positions Available

Faith Lutheran High School will have part time openings on its faculty for the 2025-2026 academic year! Interested individuals may submit resumes to Faith Lutheran High School, PO Box 138, Warda, TX 78960, call (979) 242-2889, or email them to kueckn@flhstx.org. If you have the time and talents, please consider applying and sharing your gifts with our students. Thank you!



Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of Amanda Knox by Emma Knox.

PRAYER REQUESTS

A decorative graphic featuring the words "PRAYER REQUESTS" in a bold, serif font. The text is flanked by ornate, symmetrical scrollwork and floral motifs, including a central flower with a stem and leaves.

Ralph Bamsch, recovering from a procedure
Charles Slaybaugh, infant nephew of Pastor Biar, recently hospitalized but recovering
Frances Gray, undergoing chemo and radiation
Courtney Wagner, undergoing chemo
Linda Hobratschk, undergoing treatments
Al Jurk
Layne Huenefeld

Our sympathy to John and Lisa Gay on the death of Lisa's uncle, Ludwig Krause, on May 4th. His funeral was yesterday at St. Paul, Serbin.

Those who serve today: May 11, 2025

Rev. Dustin Beck	Pastor
Mrs. Ann Bamsch	Organist
Mr. Jonathan Kueck	Lector
Mr. Mike Tabbert	Audio/Video System
Rayli Woelfel	Acolyte

Elders on Duty
Mr. Jonathan Kueck & Mr. Calvin Mersiovsky

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Adult & Youth Bible Class & Sunday School
	10:00-noon	Pick up BBQ Chickens
TUESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Pastors Circuit Mtg, in Giddings
WEDNESDAY	10:30 a.m.	FLHS Chapel
	11:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Jr. Confirmation
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THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Sewing Circle
	12:00 p.m.	Game Day
Next Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Adult & Youth Bible Class & Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Youth Group

Soli Deo Gloria

(To God alone be Glory)