

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
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Hubbard, IA



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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class: 9:00 a.m.
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To God Be the Glory!

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 23, 2023

HOLY COMMUNION Our congregation believes and confesses that in Holy Communion not only does Jesus give us forgiveness; He also miraculously gives us His actual body and blood.

We seek to receive our Lord's Supper according to the guidelines God has established in His Word. God's Word states that the Sacrament is to be an expression of like-mindedness in faith (same in doctrine) and that only those should commune who are worthy to receive it (who have been properly instructed and are truly repentant).

In keeping with God's instruction, and out of deep love for the souls of His people, we invite visiting members of other Missouri Synod Lutheran congregations, who are members in good standing, to receive Holy Communion with us after announcing their intent to the pastor. Visitors who are not members of a Missouri Synod Lutheran congregation are asked to please refrain from the Sacrament at this time. Thank you.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Liturgy: Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Hymns: 864, 711, 467, 709, 710, 486

Organist: Ruth Fiscus

Acolyte: Jennifer Platte

Ushers: Mick Zoske, Dr. Dennis Winter

THIS WEEK AS GOD LEADS US TOGETHER

Wednesday: 6:00-7:00p.m. Handbell Choir

Next Sunday: 9:00a.m. Christian Education Classes

10:00a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion

Acolyte: Hailey Zoske

Ushers: Mick Zoske, Dr. Dennis Winter

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Lue Doering in observance of Ron's birthday.

HANDBELL CHOIR will meet for practice on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00p.m.

CONFIRMATION PICTURES are here. You may pick yours up in the office on the table.

HUBBARD CARE CENTER DEVOTIONS: This Sunday afternoon is a great opportunity for your family to participate in one of our church's volunteer activities. Our church is scheduled to share hymns and devotions at the Hubbard Care Center at 2:00p.m. Everyone is welcome to join in. (And parents – even though your little people drive you crazy, the residents will think they are adorable!)

CAMP IO-DIS-E-CA: There is information posted on the bulletin board for anyone wishing to attend camp this summer. Pamphlets are on the table for your taking. They are also looking for counselors to help with camp. If you are a high school graduate or college age student, you would qualify.

BIRTHDAYS: Today-Mari Bishop, Gregory Hanson; Mon.-Daniel Zoske, Hayes Winter; Tues.-Naomi Splinter; Thurs.-Dena Zoske.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Today-Robert & Wanda Mennenga (35); Mon.-Richard & Sharon Winter (58); Fri.-Ryan & Abbie Dubberke (11).

PSALM 23

antiphon vs. 1



¹The LORD is my | shepherd;* I | shall not want.

²**He makes me lie down in green | pastures.*
He leads me beside still | waters.**

³He re- | stores my soul.*
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his | name's sake.

⁴**Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow
of death, I will fear no evil,for you are | with me;*
your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my | enemies;*
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup | overflows.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days | of my life,*
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.**

**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.**

¹The LORD is my | shepherd;* I | shall not want.

EZEKIEL 34:11-16

¹¹For thus says the Lord God: "Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out.

¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day.

¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country.

¹⁴I will feed them in good pasture, and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel. There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel.

¹⁵I will feed My flock, and I will make them lie down," says the Lord God.

¹⁶I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

1 PETER 2:21-25

²¹For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

²²"Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth";

²³who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously;

²⁴who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness--by whose stripes you were healed.

²⁵For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

JOHN 10:11-16

11I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.

12But a hireling, he who is not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them.

13The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep.

14I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own.

15As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep.

16And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd.