

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor April 21, 2024

Hearing God's Call & Responding in Love, We Share Jesus With All!

FROM PASTOR ED

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who has laid down his life for his sheep. He is concerned with providing for and protecting them (us), and not just the sheep that we know, but indeed all of those who belong to him throughout the world. The Good Shepherd is determined that his sheep live, that they live abundant and healthy lives. And for this the Shepherd will do anything, whatever it takes, even lay down his life, so that his sheep may live. And for all of this, Jesus truly is the GOOD Shepherd.

Have blessed remainder of the week.

Peace, Pastor Ed

OUR 10:00 a.m. Sunday & Wednesday Evening Bible Study are available via Zoon. Please call the church office for assistance, 573-374-5267.

Welcome to Worship

The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.

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Prelude He Leadeth Me Vanessa Hebrank

You are invited to use this time of musical offering to prepare for worship, to open yourself to God, our Father, his Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, present in this place.

Call to Worship

P: Christ is risen.

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Confession & Forgiveness

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who calls us beloved children, who gathers us into one flock, who guides us into all truth.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept for reflection

- P: Faithful and just God,
- C: we confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.
- P: This is love. Not that we loved God, but that God loved us and sent the Son to atone for our sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven. Let the perfect love of God cast out fear, fill you with joy, and inspire you to live for others.

Sharing of the Peace (We share the words, "Peace be with you" with one another.)

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

ELW #369, v. 1, 2 & 4

Liturgy Setting 4 ELW p. 147

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

Kvrie

Canticle of Praise: Glory to God in the highest ELW p. 148

Prayer of the Day

All: O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed

us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Sermon Pastor Ed

Anthem Deep, Deep Love Kent Choir

First Reading Acts 4:5-12 New Testament p. 114

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 (congregation reads responsively)

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

²The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures

and leads me beside still waters.

³You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall 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, and my cup is running over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Second Reading 1 John 3:16-24 New Testament p. 230

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Announcement Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to John, the tenth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading John 10:11-18 New Testament p. 98

P: The Gospel of the LordC: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day (sing twice) Come to the Table ELW # 481

Profession of Faith-Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

P: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Reception of Offerings Please fill out the red friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor **Offertory** Softly and Tenderly Vanessa Hebrank

Offering Prayer

P: Risen One,

C: you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

Holy Communion ELW p. 152

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Distribution

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. You may commune in place using a communion kit, if preferred.

Communion Hymns

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Have No Fear, Little Flock

The Lord's My Shepherd

ELW # 502, v. 1-4

ELW # 764

ELW # 778

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Announcements

Sending Hymn God Be With You Till We Meet Again ELW # 536, v. 1 & 2

The Dismissal

P: Hearing God's call and responding in love,C: we share Jesus with all!

God Be With You Til We Meet Again Postlude Vanessa Hebrank

Fellowship Time EVERYONE IS WELCOME

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor	Ed Foster
Organist/Pianist	Vanessa Hebrank
Choir Director	
Choir Accompanist	
Handbells Director	

10:00 AM

Altar Guild	Judy Ward
Greeters/Ushers	Karen & Jim Mellody
Liturgist	Al Mohling
Lector	Kathy Fair
Sound & Zoom Technician	Michael Wagner
Coffee Fellowship	Larry & Kathy Fair

COMING THIS WEEK April 21-28

Today	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:20 a.m.	Handbells Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (live-streamed)
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Platform set-up for concerts
		Community for Christ Change-over (lunch provided)
	5:30 p.m.	Chorale NYC rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Symphony of the Magic Dragon in concert
Tuesday	9:40 a.m.	Community for Christ
	3:00 p.m.	Christian Education Committee
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	9:40 a.m.	Community for Christ
	10:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
Saturday	9:40 a.m.	Community for Christ
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:20 a.m.	Handbells Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (live-streamed)
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
	2:00 p.m.	Greater Lake Area Chorale concert & reception

🕈 Prayer Concerns 🕆

OUR MEMBERS

Stan FieldMarsha GustJoel HellmanPat EmbichKaren ThompsonGene Page

Jim Gilbert Judy Bradley

OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Trudy HamiltonTamara McClainTom SimmonsScott HamiltonJeanne HinesVicki SawyerDianne SteingrubeyMike HolmesKen BuckinghamWayne JacksonPayton FosterMarcille Bohling

Gil Wilde Steve Hughes

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Cheryl AndersonKen GerardyJennifer PedersenDana AndersonCarla GlusingDoris PetersonEvan BeaupreRuth Goddard & familyJodi (Ziehl) Redmond

Michelle Becker Gary Hansen Ron Roberts
Jessica Birdsong Debbie Hanshaw Marcia Robbins
Jennifer Blomberg Bryan Hastings Dan Rogers

Cindy Campbell Rod Haves Pat & Shirley Rogers Shirley Clark Jacque Ray Higgenbotham Michele Schafer **Evelyn Clements** CF Huff Dave Shaver Lance Craft Beth Jackson Karen Tischnor Chuck Cuthbertson Teresa Joslin Theresa White Bernie Wiegel Ron Ferguson Linda Kimberling Jerry Williams Stacey Fleck Ed Krueger Shane Foster Blanch Lacroix Larry Wilson

Al Gann Dave & Sara Newton

REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Babcock **Aaron Davis** Matt Lee Eric Blomberg Tanner Glodt Jordan Lindeman Ben Brammeier Kristine Hubbard Glenn Maddock Shade Bullock Jason Ites Tristan Morgan Salathiel (Sal) Caudill Adam Peterson Jason Judge Adam Kralina **Trent Simmons** Dylan Craig

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 21

WELCOME TO KENT MEMORIAL Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our Savior. Personal hearing assistance devices are available in the sound room. We invite you to stay for coffee and fellowship (and donuts!) after the service. If you are visiting for the first time or searching for a church home, please include your address and phone number on the Red Friendship Pad and let us know. First time here? Please introduce yourself to Pastor Ed at the end of the service.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR this morning are given by Joyce and Chuck Wanamaker in celebration of their 59th wedding anniversary (4/18).

CARE CORE for April is Mary Evans, 816-506-7995.

<u>RISERS/SANCTUARY SET UP MONDAY APRIL 22</u> To prepare for the concerts this week, we will meet at 9am on Monday, April 22, to bring the risers up from storage and set up the front of the sanctuary. Help is appreciated.

EVANGELISM INVITES YOU From the studio behind the movies *Jesus Revolution* and *I Can Only Imagine* comes a new movie: *Unsung Hero*.

The movie *Unsung Hero* will be shown at the Eagles' Landing Theater in Lake Ozark on Wednesday, April 24th and Thursday, April 25th at 6:00 p.m. It will also be shown on Friday, April 26th and Saturday, April 27th at 2:00, 4:50, and 7:40.

The manager at the Lake West Cinemas in Laurie has not heard yet if they will be able to get the movie. We will update you if we hear that the movie will be shown in Laurie. The Evangelism Committee thinks it would be fun to support our Lake West Theater with a movie and meal on the Westside.

<u>WELCA SPRING SALAD & DESSERT LUNCHEON</u> will be held on Friday, May 3, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Please sign up on the lilac sheet on the WELCA bulletin board, in the fellowship hall.

MAY 19 -- SAVE THE DATE On Sunday, May 19, following our fellowship time, we will host "Ready, Set...Prepare", a workshop on making end-of-life decisions and preparation before it's needed. Presenters from Kidwell-Garber, SRG Financial Advisors, Sullivan Bank and more will join us to share information and answer questions. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up so we know how many we need to feed.

<u>FLOWER CHART</u> If you would like to place flowers on the altar for Sunday, sign up on the flower chart in the fellowship hall. \$20 per week.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY will not meet this week, April 24. See you next week, May 1.

VOLUNTEER AT COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST Kent's week to volunteer at Community for Christ on Thur. April 25 and April 27. Sign up sheet posted in the meeting hall. A bonus for volunteers, as well as others, Spring apparel will be ready for purchase at CFC starting Thursday April 25!! Our mission to share GOD with others can't be achieved without your help! Please remember that a minimum of 4 needed in the retail/folding area and 2 needed to service the lower donation/sales area. Thank you all for your continued support. Thanks, Jim Mellody and Chuck Wanamaker

WELCA MID-MISSOURI SPRING GATHERING Mid-Missouri Spring Gathering of the Women of the ELCA will be held April 27, 2024 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Jefferson City, Mo. Registration/Fellowship – 9:00AM – Meeting 10:00. Registration fee is \$5.00. Activities will include a bible study, hymn sing and business meeting. The keynote speaker will be from HALO, a program for kids living without a family of their own. There will be a collection of in-kind gifts including paper towels, plates, Kleenex, napkins, toilet paper, and large diapers. A sign-up sheet and a box for in-kind gifts are located at the WELCA bulletin board. For questions or information, phone Melba Bangert 573-836-5030.

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST NEEDS FOR APRIL

Condiments (catsup, mustard, mayo)

Salad dressings

Any kind of juice

Taco seasoning

Cereal (cold)

Paper towels

Cleaning products for bathroom & kitchen

<u>NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER</u> is Thursday May 2nd, 12 Noon, at the Veterans Rock at the Laurie City Hall in Laurie.

<u>CAMP TOMA SHINGA ANNUAL AUCTION</u> Join us for our Annual Auction fundraiser. The auction will be held online April 22nd - 27th. We will be having a semi-formal event at The Farm & The Odd Fellows, in Minneapolis, KS. on April 27. Entertainment, appetizers and drink ticket

included. Doors open at 6:00p. \$50 per couple. \$35 for individuals. \$90 for a table of 4. Get your bid number and check out all the awesome items on this year's auction.: https://givebutter.com/c/CTS24. To RSVP for the in-person event on April 27, visit https://hipaa.jotform.com/240395017739158. CTS Team, #ForTheKids

CONCERTS AT KENT

Monday, April 22 Symphony of the Magic Dragon 7:00 p.m. Sunday, April 28 Greater Lake Area Chorale 2:00 p.m.