



April 22 & 23, 2018 Fourth Sunday of Easter

To our friends, welcome again. To the visitor, it's great to have you here! To those looking for a church home, we offer fellowship with a living Savior, membership in His church and citizenship in His eternal kingdom.

Please follow the outline of worship you find in this bulletin. We will use the Gathering Rite "I Was Glad" on the handout card. Congregation sings the REFRAIN as indicated.

We have large print service binders available - please ask an usher for one.

Today's Hymns: #443, #757 (supplement), #765 (supplement)

Gathering Rite for Worship: "I Was Glad" (see handout card)

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God of glory and power, those who trust in you and not in human wisdom are truly blessed. Help us cast all our cares on you, while also rejoicing over the eternal blessings that far outweigh the good things of this life, for we have risen with Christ in baptism and praise you now and forever; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **AMEN**

First Reading: 1 Chronicles 29:10 (selected verses)

¹⁰ David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly...Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. ¹² Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

¹³ Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

¹⁴ "But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand. ¹⁵ We are foreigners and strangers in your sight, as were all our ancestors. Our days on earth are like a shadow, without hope. ¹⁶ LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you. ¹⁷ I know, my God, that you test the heart and are pleased with integrity. All these things I have given willingly and with honest intent. And now I have seen with joy how willingly your people who are here have given to you. ¹⁸ LORD, the God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Israel, keep these desires and thoughts in the hearts of your people forever, and keep their hearts loyal to you.

Psalm 122 (pg 58 in supplement)

Second Reading: Philippians 3:7-11

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on

the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

Hymn #443: "Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing"

Gospel Lesson: Luke 12:24-34

²⁴ "Consider the ravens: they do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! ²⁵ Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?"

²⁷ "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ²⁸ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰ For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Hymn #757: "Where Your Treasure Is" (supplement)

Today's Sermon Theme: (based on Luke 12:27-34)

"Little flock, do not Fear or Worry!"



(Next week's readings: Malachi 3:6-10, 1 Corinthians 16:1-2, Matthew 6:19-24)

Apostles Creed (See projection or page 19 in hymnal)

Offering

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Hymn #765: "Day by Day" (supplement)

Thank you to our Sunday organist, Jennifer Knutson & Monday pianist, Darci Matzke.

Thank you also to the children in grades K-4 from First German Lutheran School for singing "Jesus Shepherd of the Sheep" in our 8:00am service.

Last Week's Attendance: Monday: #97

This week's schedule, God willing....

Sun: Worship 8:00 & 10:45am / SS & Teen BC 9:20/ Adult BC 9:20 & 6:30pm - see below
"Open Door" movie at the Capital Civic Center 2:00pm - hosted by First German
Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale Concert @ Bethany 3:00pm

Mon: Worship 6:30 pm

Tue: Catechism Class 5:30pm

Wed: "Grace Church Day" with JLOG children 8:15 - 9:15am (see below)
Pastor preaches @ Harborview 10:30am / Adult Bible Study 1:30 & 6:30pm
ECB Meeting 5:30 pm, Budget Meeting 6:00pm

Thu: VBS Meeting 6:30pm

Fri: "Friends of the Lancers" Fish Fry @ Twin Fountains 4:30 - 8:00pm

Sat: Spring Clean-up Day at Grace 8:00am (see below)

Sun: Worship 8:00 & 10:45am / SS & Teen BC 9:20am / Pastor's message on WCUB 9am
Adult BC 9:20am & 6:30pm

Mon: Worship 6:30pm

"Joyful Generosity" Adult Bible Study: Today's lesson is "Being confident and involved in our ministry." This coming Wednesday and next Sunday the lesson will be "Being thankful when special opportunities to give arise". **Every member is encouraged to attend.**

Pastor's 'God's Word' message will be broadcast on WCUB at 9:00am next week Sunday, April 29. Would you like to sponsor an upcoming broadcast for cost of \$107? Your sponsorship will be announced in the broadcast and also listed in the bulletin. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Ann or Heidi in the church office 682-7377.

Jesus' Lambs of Grace invites the members of Grace to their 1st "Grace Church Day" on Wed, Apr 25 from 8:15-9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. This is an opportunity for our JLOG Preschoolers & Grace Family to spend some fun-time together, bridge the gap between different generations, and to thank Grace for our support. Please join our Preschoolers for a morning snack, some fun activities, and some silly songs. **Today is the last day to sign up on the sheet located on the Information Table.**

Our 1st VBS Meeting is scheduled for this week Thu, Apr 26 at 6:30pm. Our VBS week is July 16-23 (2 weeks earlier than normal). If you are interested in helping, please join us!

Our Grace Spring Clean-Up Day will be held on Sat, April 28 starting at 8:00am - HELP IS NEEDED! There is both inside & outside work to be done. If you can help for a few hours, please call the church office 682-7377 or Scott Stubbe at 973-8915.

Staff Minister Envelopes: These envelopes are for contributions designated for our "Staff Minister Fund" which is used to offset the cost of salary, mileage & pension for Staff Minister, Bob Fink. These envelopes can be put into the offering plate or given to Ann in the office. There are more envelopes available in the basket on the Information Table. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Hornes in the office at 682-7377.



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**"Every member
worship
and
Bible study!"**

**"He Lives... We Live...
We Live to Give"**



**Week #3:
"Do not fear or
worry little flock!"**

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