

+ Good Shepherd Sunday +

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, Year of Our Lord 2025 | DS4





+ Confession and Absolution +

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Introit

Psalm 95:1-3, 6-7a; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b



P I am the good | shepherd.*

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

Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD;*

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!

C Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving;*

let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of praise!

For the LORD is a | great God,*

and a great King a- | bove all gods.

Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;*

let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!

For he | is our God,*

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

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.

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Kyrie

Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;

2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;

3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. **C** And with your spirit.

P Let us pray.

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.

First Reading

Acts 2:42–47

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

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual

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

C 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.

Choir Anthem (11:00 a.m. Service only):

Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal

Epistle

1 Peter 2:19–25

This is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. For 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. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When 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. He 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. For you were straying like sheep, 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.

Verse of the Day

John 10:14

P Alleluia. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me. Alleluia.

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 10:1–10

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

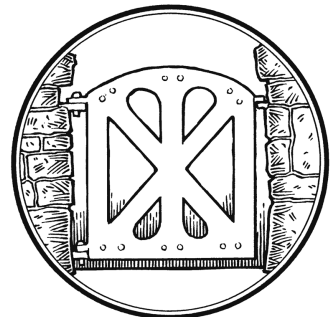
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[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. But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**



Apostles' Creed

C **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 Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,**

and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Psalm 23



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love He sought me And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

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

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

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–77 Tune: Irish, c. 18th cent. Text and tune: Public domain

+ Sermon +

The Shepherd, the Gatekeeper, and the Stranger

Announcement of Offering and Greetings of Peace

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Prayer of the Church - see colored insert

*Reminder for those watching at home to pray **The Lord's Prayer**.*

Benediction for those worshipping via the livestream.



+ Service of the Sacrament +

A Word to Our Guests and Visitors about Communion at Praise

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death and resurrection until He comes. Scripture warns that those who come forward to eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great spiritual harm. The Lord's Supper is also a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Therefore, any who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet to desire to receive the Sacrament (Communion), are encouraged to seek guidance from the pastor.

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spirit.

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 Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus, p. 208

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

C (sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Prayer of Thanksgiving ~ (see alter book)

p. 161 or 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, ...now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

- 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.

The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My \dagger body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

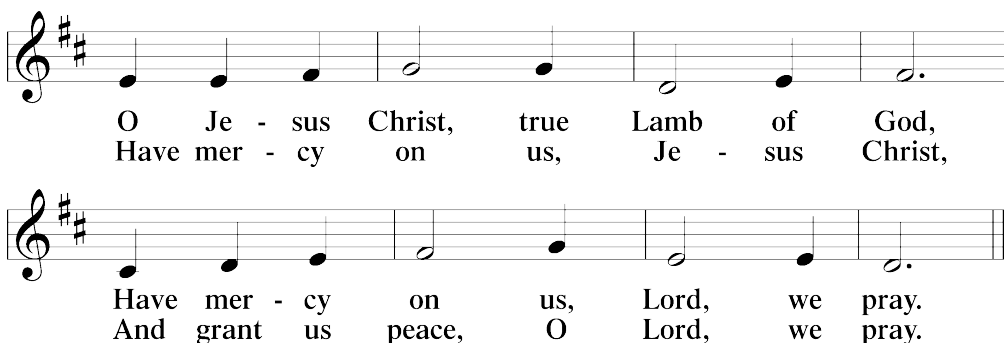
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My \dagger blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei, p. 210 *John 1:29*

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Distribution

Please see our pastor for details about baptism, instruction, and vow of confirmation of our church's teachings prior to taking the Lord's Supper (Communion) at Praise.

Distribution Hymn: 623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

Distribution Hymn: 693 O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace

Distribution Hymn: 740 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

Distribution Hymn: 711 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Choir Anthem (8:30 a.m. Service only):

Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal

Nunc Dimittis, p. 211

Luke 2:29-32



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;



A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect ~ (see altar book)

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.



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Additional Information: Please submit prayer requests by 9:00 a.m. each Thursday to ensure they are included in the upcoming service. If your contact information has changed, kindly notify the church office. Large-print hymnals are available upon request. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

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+ Prayers +

World: For the news and victory of **Christ's bodily Resurrection** to bring joy and comfort to many suffering tribulations. For the end of persecution and genocide of **Nigerian Christians**. For the end of the fighting between the **U.S., Israel,** and **Iran** and soon we pray between **Ukraine** and **Russia**.

Concern for the Lost: For family and friends who do not know or have fallen away from the truth, grace, and love of the Savior, Christ Jesus.

Vocation: For **Rachel Vesper** safe travels in Cambodia from May through July 4. For **Patrick & Alesha (nee Williams) Jermain** who were married 4/18. For members **Phil Barnett** and **Gary Moehling** who recently were honored for their military service and flew to Washington on the final HonorAir Knoxville Flight. For the birth of **Wesley** to **Joshua & Adelaide Arguien** on 3/31. For our parents expecting children this year: **Bryan & Kaite Baer,** and **Justin & Nicole Fritts**. For the engagement of member **Rachel Vesper** to **Aiden Morrison**. For upcoming **Isaak Buchanan & Julliette Wilkerson** (May) and for **Jack Nunnink & Rachel Holst** (June). For **veterans and our military** for **Mason Burkett** (Mary Schopmann's grandson-in-law) deployed to Poland. For military servants: **Michael Strange** and **Carter Felt**. For **those serving in hospitals and homeless shelters**. For **teachers** in our community schools. For our circuit's seminary students: **Aaron Wade, Sam Bohnet** (vicarage placement in Louisville, KY). For **children and families** dealing with difficult situations due to drugs, alcohol, violence, abuse, stress, and strife.

Recent Loss and Mourning: For family of **Carolyn Howard** (husband Tom is a friend of Paul Ruble) who passed away. For family of **Charlene Smith** (Rev. George Smith's wife) who passed away on Good Friday. For **Fran Wehmeier** (Deb Wales's mother) who passed away Easter Sun, 4/5. For the family of **Melvin Wehmeier** (Deb Wales's father) who passed away 4/1. For the family **Tom Williams** (wife Corlis) who passed away 3/26. For the family of **Ron Williams** (wife Pamela) who passed away 3/24. For family of **Mildred Balash** who passed away 3/21 (104 yrs old). For the Family of **Mavis Johnson** who passed away 2/28. For the family of Elder **Chuck Pettyohn** who died on 2/25. *Christ is risen!*

Health: For **Lori Smith** upcoming surgery on 4/28. For **Jess Groh's** health (friend of the Upwards). For **Stevie** (Auroa Stepen's son) in ICU with a rare infection. **Debbie Johnston** kidney dialysis. For **Larry Bembas** surgery recovery and upcoming radiation treatments in neck. **Lou Trebus** knee replacement recovery. For **Cindy DiPasqua** recovering from heart attack, surgery, and valve replacement. For **Fred Hansen's** health. For **Larry & Cathy Wacker** (health and recovery from surgery). For **Ron Dozier** (Renee Hickmon's brother) heart incident. For **Piper** (9 yr old. niece of Mary Brown) cancer diagnosis and treatment. For **Todd Stubelt** (nephew of Sharon Felker) stage 4 brain cancer. For **Anna Roberts** (Jim & Maureen's daughter-in-law) cancer treatments. For **Alan Bell** (Barbara Morsch's brother) stroke recovery. For **Al Reuer** stroke recovery. For **Catherine Boute** surgery recovery from broken shoulder. For **Sarah** (friend of Suzanne Nunnink) intensive chemotherapy. For **Kathi Hawn** (friend of Faye Schauerman) recovering from surgery for a double lung transplant. For **John Reese** (Mary Ellen Brown's niece's husband) recovery of health. For **Ann** (Rick Gift's stepmother) leukemia and health. For **Tonia Latham** (Phyllis Bembas's niece) health recovery. For **Ed McGillick** dizziness spells. For **Sherrie** (Renee Hickmon's sister) health recovery. For **George Gorghis** (friend of Donna Wall) treatment for

Lymphoma cancer, stage 4. For **Janeen Meier** healing for physical and mental health (Maureen Roberts' sister and Pastor Roberts's Aunt). For **Bob Heckman's** health. **Sandy Bagley** health. For **Pat Sweet** (friend of Ole & Mavis Johnson) fragile health condition. For **June McDonnell** stability and lung health. For **Tim Smith** heart and blood pressure health. For **Lee Schuck** and **Gus** taking care of her. For **Derek Bryant** (friend of Mary Schopmann) kidney reception. For **Gary Kubin** back and leg pain. For **Haley Jenkins** (Ed & Sandy Bagley's niece) esophageal issues. For **Margarete** (neighbor to Jim & Maureen Roberts) dealing with advancing cancer. For **Barbara Moyers** health. For **Marie Guinn** (Jennifer Kropp's mother) cancer treatment and health. For **Mary** (Ed & Sandy Bagley's daughter) health. For **June Latham** (Phyllis Bembas' sister) stroke and vision recovery. For **Fred Goddard** (nephew of Mary Ellen Brown) lung cancer treatment. For **Carol** (Alex Hick's aunt) frontal lobe dementia. For **Alan Stremsterfer's mother** health. **Aurora Stevens** pain and health. Andrew Hebar's Aunt **Kara** (health).

Birthdays: Michele Nunnink (4/27), Alex Hicks (4/28), Derek Roberts (4/28), Joshua Arguien (4/30), Jim Roberts (4/30), Kris Smith (5/3), Tom Schering (5/6), Westley Broyles (5/8), Mike Gould (5/8)

Church Operations & Christian Stewardship

| General Fund | 2026 Budget | 2026 Actual | Remaining for Budget |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| | \$400,000 | \$141,155 (4/19/26) | \$258,845 |
| Building Fund | 2025 Receipts | 2026 Receipts | Total Receipts |
| Actual | \$71,247 | \$8,112 | \$1,258,985 |
| Pledged | \$42,744 | <i>Budget: \$25,000</i> | \$1,065,270 |
| Remaining | \$28,503 [over] | 16,888 [under] | \$193,715 [over] |

Thank you to all who gave or fulfilled commitments to the Capital Campaign, which ended Dec. 31, 2025. As of 12/31/25 the new loan balance is \$1,861,079. Gifts to the Building Fund or Loan Principal Fund are encouraged to help reduce principal and for future projects.

Visit praiselutheran.com/build to see our build completion video! Gifts to the Build Fund are still encouraged. Our total monthly mortgage payments to Lutheran Church Extension Fund: \$11,413 [breakdown: \$10,309 (new building) + \$1,100 (extra mortgage payment monthly)].

Children and Youth Ministry

Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday for all children and students age 2 on up. Confirmed youth are encouraged to join the Congregational Bible Study with Pastor Roberts.

Youth Catechesis will next meet with Pastor Roberts on **Sun, May 8** to work on Catechism memorizations and Unit 8 review.

Midweek Youth Group will meet on Weds at 7:00 p.m. starting with Compline in the Sanctuary.

Campfirmation is July 5–11 for youth ages 12 and up. Soft commitments are due NOW and can be emailed to officeadmin@praiselutheran.com. The total cost is \$115 per camper, with a \$50 deposit due April 19 and the remaining \$65 due June 1. Payments can be placed in the collection plate with note or memo “Campfirmation” or dropped off at the front office.

Worship and Music Ministry

Choir Practice meets this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Piano and Organ lessons are available at Praise with our Director of Music, Caleb Hesse. Anyone age 6 and up (with a parent/guardian for children) is welcome to sign up. For additional information, please reach out to Caleb at caleb@praiselutheran.com.

Congregational Life & Fellowship

The Church Office (the administrative office area) is staffed from Mon – Thurs, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If access to the Church Office is needed on a Sunday (for example, to pick up items secured within that may be waiting for you), please see Paul Ruble, Jim Roberts, or Tim Nunnink.

Meals of Comfort Ministry provides meals for grieving families, easing the burden of hosting visiting loved ones and allowing them to focus on mourning and sharing Christ’s comfort. We are currently seeking a Coordinator. If you’re interested, please connect with Elissa or Pastor.

Donations for the Veterans Pantry may be placed in the basket in the Narthex. They are delivered on a regular basis to the Blount County Office of Veterans Affairs.

Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) empowers women of Praise to grow in Christ through local and global mission projects. Members gather for fellowship, devotions and service on a quarterly basis. Scheduled meetings for 2026 are on Saturdays: May 16, August 15, November 21 in the Social Hall from 10:00 am. to 11:30 a.m. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. We welcome adult women of all age groups to be a part of LWML. Founded in 1942, the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML) is the official women’s auxiliary of the LCMS.

Today

Interested in Membership or Review of the Chief Parts of the Faith? Come to Congregational Catechesis (during Congregational Bible Study) with Pastor Roberts at 9:45 a.m.

This Week

Choir Rehearsal meets on Wed at 6:00 p.m.

Youth Group meets Wed at 7:00 p.m. starting with Compline in the Sanctuary.

Men's Bible Study meets Wed at 7:00 p.m. starting with Compline in the Sanctuary.

Ladies Bible Study meets Thurs at 10:00 a.m. in the Social Hall.

Verse of the Day *These following Bible verses were selected by an anonymous Elder from Praise who offers these in prayer that they may be beneficial to all the congregation for daily devotions.*

Monday: 2 Timothy 1:9

Tuesday: John 1:1-3

Wednesday: Ephesians 5:1

Thursday: Isaiah 59:21

Friday: Matthew 6:33

Saturday: Lamentations 3:22-23

Upcoming

Where Praises Never End A Hymn Festival with featured guest Rev. Dr. Stephen Starke on May 17, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. (see graphic below). Pastor Starke wrote many of the hymns in our hymnal (and Divine Service Setting Four). He will preach at both services on Sunday morning, present at Congregational Bible Study, and narrate the Hymn Festival in the afternoon. Refreshments will be available during a meet and greet following the hymn festival.

Cards Creation will (not meet in April, but will) meet next on Tues, May 26, at 1:00 p.m.



WHERE PRAISES NEVER END

A Hymn Festival featuring
Rev. Dr. Stephen Starke

MAY 17, 2026
3:00 p.m.

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