



## Welcome to Worship!



We are happy you have chosen to worship at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd! Please use this bulletin as a guide for today's liturgy, found in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship* in each pew.

**PARENTS & KIDS:** We have a few special things to help children enjoy worship:

- Just outside of the sanctuary, we have a Kids' Corner with a bookshelf filled with Bibles and other activities. You are welcome to bring a Bible into worship with you today!
- In the back of the sanctuary are Joy Bags filled with fun activities for younger kids.
- Come sit in the front of the sanctuary so your child can see everything that's happening!
- In the pews, are "Holy Art" cards for kids of all ages to draw on.
- Please come up front for the Children's Sermon! (*Parents, you are welcome to come up with your child to help them feel more comfortable.*)

We love to have children in worship, but we also understand that sometimes kids (and parents!) need a break. Stop by our church's nursery (near the bathrooms) and say hi to Sydney! She will be more than happy to help!

**COMMUNION** - You are invited to join us this morning in Holy Communion. We believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine given at the Lord's Supper — a sacrament offered to renew the relationship God began in Baptism. Communion will be served today by Intinction. Communicants should come forward to the two serving stations, receive the wafer of bread and dip it into the chalice of red wine or the chalice of clear grape juice. Children not yet instructed to receive the Sacrament are invited forward for a blessing. The first two pews on the pulpit side are reserved for people who are unable to go up to the communion rail. Please sit there if you wish to have communion brought to you. Gluten free communion wafers are available, let the communion server know if you would prefer this option.

### April 2nd 2017, 5th Sunday in Lent Daily Lectionary Readings

<b>Sunday</b>	John 11: 1-6	<b>Thursday</b>	John 11: 38-44
<b>Monday</b>	John 11: 7-16	<b>Friday</b>	John 11:45-57
<b>Tuesday</b>	John 11: 17-27	<b>Saturday</b>	John 18:1-11
<b>Wednesday</b>	John 11: 28-37		

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: MAKER FUN FACTORY!

### CREATED BY GOD: BUILT FOR A PURPOSE

JUNE 19-23, 9:00 AM – NOON

Preschool (age 3\*) – entering 5th Grade

Current 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Gr. can join us as "Volunteers in Training"

Current 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Graders can volunteer as "Crew Leaders"

Older youth and adults needed as volunteers, too! Just let us know what you are interested in!

\*All preschoolers must be potty trained

Registration Deadline: MAY 21<sup>st</sup> OR WHEN FULL!

You can register online now!

To register a child/participant (Age 3 – Entering 5<sup>th</sup> Grade):

<https://goo.gl/forms/V1NHHmzHpmP8Inyu1>

To register a youth volunteer (Current 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> Graders):

<https://goo.gl/forms/lqGktMF7udrH5mSv1>

To register as an adult volunteer:

<https://goo.gl/forms/BS5wyiljnHTqBizV2>

Yes, we do need adult volunteers!!! Even if you can only help for a day or two, let us know! We'd love to have your help, whenever it works for your schedule!

**We have chosen a May 21 Registration Deadline so that all t-shirts can be ordered and arrive on time this year! This deadline applies to ALL – kids, volunteers, even adults!**

### Vacation Bible School Robot Challenge

As we get ready for VBS this year, we have designed a challenge that all ages can participate in. As individuals or as a family: work together to build a freestanding robot model. **Use your imagination** to create a one-of-a-kind robot! We will display your robot during VBS.

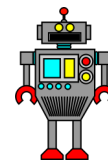
(You may bring your robot back home after Friday's Closing Program.)

Create your robot using any material you'd like

(cardboard boxes, paper, tin cans, 5 gallon buckets, etc.)

Robots are due back at church on April 26, 2017 (VBS Preview Day!)

**Have Fun and Thank You!**



### Important Sunday School Dates

**TODAY!** Sunday, April 2 – Family Sunday School: Easter Garden Project (see photo!)

Sunday, April 9 – Palm Sunday. No Sunday School; please join us in worship!

Sunday, April 16 – Easter Sunday. No Sunday School; please join us in worship!

Sunday, April 23 – End of the Year Party!

Sunday, April 30 – Last Day of Sunday School: VBS Preview Day! Come register for VBS and get a "sneak peek" at the week!

Sunday School will not meet in May. But, you are welcome to join us "in between" services to help create VBS Decorations on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 4!



**Thank you to the following individuals who assisted in today's worship service:**

**Welcome Center** ..... Anita Jones (8:45); Audrey Madson(11:00)  
**Greeter** ..... Rhonda Bolin (8:45); Jack & Candy Rendulich (11:00)  
**Acolytes**..... Kyle Peterson (8:45); volunteers needed (11:00)  
**Ushers**..... Cathy Kreft, Kerola Family, Steve & Susan Aulie (8:45)  
 Bill & Laurel Pagel, Fred Nervick, Karen Guerndt, Cheryl Racine, Mike & Cynthia Bradley(11:00)  
**Liturgist** .....Marge Kangas  
**Readers**.....Tayler Hebner (8:45); Mike Bradley (11:00)  
**Altar Guild** .....Ellen Ramsay  
**Communion Assistants**..... Mike Klopp, Sulo Kangas (8:45)  
 ..... Kathy Gustafson, Cathy Roseth (11:00)  
**Offering Counters**.....Dave Kreager, Scott & Sheila Stevens  
**Accompanist** ..... Linda Bray  
**Projectionist**..... Cyndi Venberg (8:45); Jody Keppers (11:00)  
**Gathering Space Treats**.. Jodi Stacken, Sheila Stevens, Linda Susens, Tina Stonebuner



**Wired Word**  
**10am Upper Lakeside Room**

A senior Hamas official has been killed and Ancient animosities are rising to the surface again, making it more difficult for the people of this part of the Middle East to work toward peace. So the challenge of reaching across divisions and working for reconciliation, as nations and individuals, will be the topic of our next class. All are welcome!

**OWLS! (Older, Wiser, Lutherans)**

- Monday, April 24th, 10:00 a.m. We are going to the Great Lakes Aquarium!
- We will see exhibits plus a behind the scenes guided tour! \$14.00 admission
- Meet in the upper church parking lot at 9:15 to carpool at 9:30
- We will have lunch at the Silo's following the Aquarium. Reservations are required.
- Please contact Jerry or Nan @ 724-7733.



**Summer Camp Registration is now open!**

Check out the schedule on our website - [www.VLMcamps.org/summer-schedule](http://www.VLMcamps.org/summer-schedule)



**We are also seeking college-aged young adults to serve on our summer staff!**

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** Linda Bray  
**CALL TO WORSHIP** "Nothing Without You" (v.4) see screen

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

**\*GATHERING SONG** "On Eagle's Wings" # 787

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: Let us pray.  
**Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Children's Message** Katie Rich, Director of Youth & Family Ministry  
 (Please sing "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" as the children walk to and from the children's message.)

**WORD**

**First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14**

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup>I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my



people. <sup>14</sup>I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD.”

**Psalm: Psalm 130**

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths

I cry to you, O LORD;

<sup>2</sup>**O LORD, hear my voice!**

**Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**

<sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch over sins,  
O LORD, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup>**Yet with you is forgiveness,  
in order that you may be feared.**

<sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits;  
in your word is my hope.

<sup>6</sup>**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning,  
more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love;  
with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

<sup>8</sup>**For the LORD shall redeem Israel  
from all their sins.**

**Gospel: John 11:1-45**

<sup>1</sup>Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup>Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup>So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” <sup>4</sup>But when Jesus heard it, he said, “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” <sup>5</sup>Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup>after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

<sup>7</sup>Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” <sup>8</sup>The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” <sup>9</sup>Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. <sup>10</sup>But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” <sup>11</sup>After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” <sup>12</sup>The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” <sup>13</sup>Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. <sup>15</sup>For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” <sup>16</sup>Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

<sup>17</sup>When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four

## Worship Notes and Announcements

**AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION**, this week we remember in our prayers: Barbie Westerberg, Bethany and Meghan; Amy & Ryan Boman, Peter and Graham Bridget & Josh Friday, Morgan, Nolan, Bailey, Darby and Hadley



**ALTAR FLOWERS** — Today the altar flowers are given by the Wayne Johnson Family in memory of Dorothy & Michael Johnson. The flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. Sign up to sponsor altar flowers in honor of or to memorialize loved ones, or celebrate a special event. The cost is \$35

**Thank you Spiritsong Team for leading worship today!** If you would like to sing or play an instrument with Spiritsong, we are always looking for new members! Spiritsong leads worship on the first Sundays of every month! Please contact Grace Monson or talk with any of the Spiritsong members!



**Lenten Calendar –All are welcome!**

This Week, Final Wednesday April 5: Lenten services -

soup supper, 5:30pm, Worship 6:15pm

Palm Sunday - April 9

Maundy Thursday - April 13 7pm

Good Friday - April 14 7pm

Easter - April 16 Sunrise 6:18am, 8:45am, 11:00am

**Office Announcement!** Because of Duluth Spring Break, Amie and Patti will be out of the office this week. We have a couple extra special guests coming in for limited hours (THANK YOU TAMMY AND PAT!) They will be happy to assist you! Please notice the hours on the calendar on the back page of this bulletin. Thank you!

**Today! Helpers needed for 4:30 to 6:30 pm Union Gospel Mission (219 1/2 First St) set up, serve and basic clean up. Thank you!!**

**LSS is a charity partner of Grandma’s Marathon!** If people from your congregation would like to run on behalf of LSS, the team is raising funds to support young people experiencing homelessness. Runners receive a free guaranteed entry to either the full or half marathon. Half Marathon runners are raising \$1,000 each, and full marathon runners are raising \$500. **Please contact [Maria.Hurni@lssmn.org](mailto:Maria.Hurni@lssmn.org) for more info!**

**MEAL**

**OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**OFFERING MUSIC**

*“Nothing Without You ”*

Spiritsong Musicians  
Linda Bray, Accompanist

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

L: Let us pray.

**C: Gracious God, thank you for everything you have given us, a sign of your love. Receive these offerings for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**\*THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**C: Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,**

**your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

**\*DISTRIBUTION**

*(Please be seated)*

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*“Humble King”*

see screen

*“Spirit of the Living God”*

*“Lord I Need You”*

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**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**\*BLESSING**

**\*SENDING SONG**

*“Everlasting God”*

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**POSTLUDE**

Linda Bray

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days. <sup>18</sup>Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. <sup>20</sup>When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” <sup>27</sup>She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

<sup>28</sup>When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” <sup>29</sup>And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup>The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

<sup>45</sup>Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

**SERMON**

Pastor Tim Berdahl

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”*

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**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**