

# Atonement Lutheran Church

Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>  
Fourth Week of Easter  
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Worship Leader Jason Ploof  
Bell Choir Director Jordan Goodwater

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

## CALL TO WORSHIP *I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me*

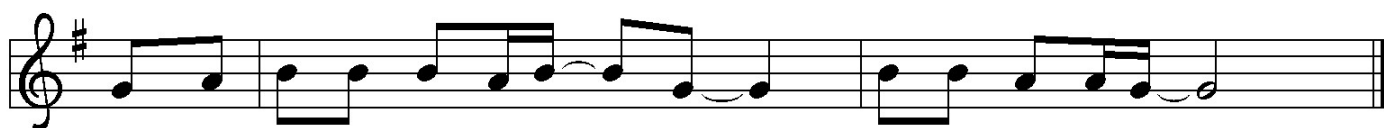
TFF 191



1 I'm so glad I'm so glad  
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me. Sa - tan had me bound,  
3 When I was in trou - ble, When I was in trou - ble,



Je - sus lift - ed me. I'm so glad  
Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me,  
When I was in trou - ble,



sing - ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

## ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

The Sun of...

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Gracious God,

**we acknowledge that we are sinners and we confess our sins—those known to us that burden our hearts, and those unknown to us but seen by you. We know that before you nothing remains hidden, and in you everything is revealed. Free us from the slavery of sin; liberate us from the bondage of guilt; work in us that which is pleasing in your sight; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

From the house of David, God raised up a mighty Savior.

**Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who comes to set us free.**

Remembering the covenant, God delivered us from our enemies.

**Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who comes to set us free.**

Before God we are holy and righteous, free to worship without fear.

**Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who comes to set us free.**

With a heart full...

**Amen**

**ENTRANCE HYMN** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

ELW 807



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

**GREETING**

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

□ In peace, let us pray to the Lord. □ For the

□ Lord, have mer - cy.

peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.

□ For the peace of the whole

□ Lord, have mer - cy.

world, for the well - be - ing of the church of God, and for the u - ni - ty of

all, let us pray to the Lord. □ For this ho - ly

□ Lord, have mer - cy.

house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise, let us

pray to the Lord.

☐ Lord, have mer - cy. A - men

☐ Help, save, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

☐ A - men

☐ Help, save, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

☐ A - men

■ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

□ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,

whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

■ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

□ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

☐ For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

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vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

O God...  
**Amen.**

## **FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47**

A reading from Acts.

[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 23**

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

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

He revives my soul  
and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.

**Though 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.**

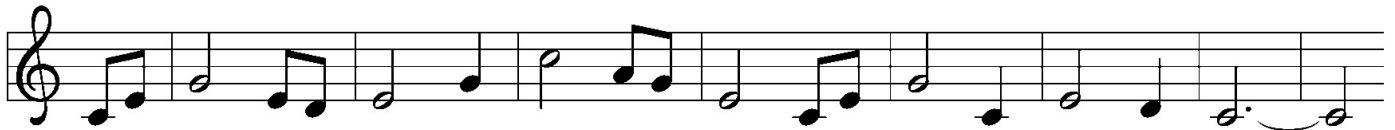
You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

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





1 My Shep - herd, you sup - ply my need; most ho - ly is your name.  
 2 When I walk through the shades of death, your pres - ence is my stay;  
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me all my days;



In pas - tures fresh you make me feed, be - side the liv - ing stream.  
 one word of your sup - port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.  
 oh, may your house be my a - bode and all my work be praise.



You bring my wan - d'ring spir - it back when I for - sake your ways,  
 Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my ta - ble spread;  
 Here would I find a set - tled rest, while oth - ers go and come;



and lead me, for your mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.  
 my cup with bless - ings o - ver - flows, your oil a - noints my head.  
 no more a strang - er or a guest, but like a child at home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt., based on Psalm 23

Music: RESIGNATION, North American traditional

## **CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**  
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**  
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**  
**He descended into hell.**  
**On the third day he rose again.**  
**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**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**

...Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

## **PEACE**

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The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM:** *Now the Green Blade Rises*  
Arr. Erik Whitehill  
The Atonement Choir

**OFFERING AND PREPARATION** *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful* TFF p. 54



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and



fill to the brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a



har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the



bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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Let us pray.

Good Shepherd,

**you spread a table before us. We offer you the gifts of this money, bread, and wine, signs of your gracious love, and tokens of our grateful hearts. Nourish us at the feast of the Lamb, that we may proclaim to all the world your triumphant love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**PSALMODY:**

*The Lord Is My Shepherd*

By Noel Dexter

The Atonement Choir

## **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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Blessed are you...

...Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

**Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

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Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

## **COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS & SERVERS**

**COMMUNION HYMN** *Lamb of God*



**☐** Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION HYMN** *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

ELW 789



1 Sav - ior like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;  
3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.  
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow' r to free.  
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847

Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

# COMMUNION HYMN

ELW 484

## You Satisfy the Hungry Heart: Gift of Finest Wheat

*Refrain*



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,

*Refrain*



so when you call your fam - 'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice.  
that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav' n - ly food.  
Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?  
whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.  
to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

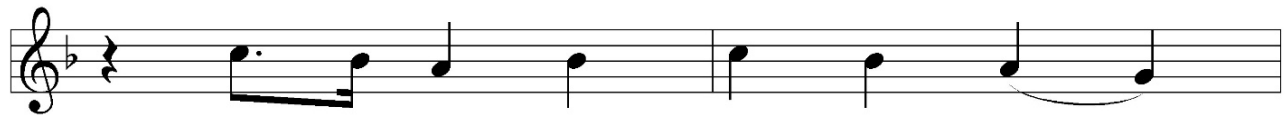
Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997

Music: BICENTENNIAL, Robert E. Kreutz, 1922–1996

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**CANTICLE** *Thankful Hearts*

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Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise;



tell ev - 'ry - one what God has done. Let all who seek the



Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.  
(Lent) A - men, a - men.

**PRAYER**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE**

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**BENEDICTION**

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# SENDING HYMN

ELW 774

## What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms



1 What a fel - low - ship, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -  
2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -  
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -



last - ing arms; what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,  
last - ing arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,  
last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.  
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.  
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

### Refrain



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839–1929

Music: SHOWALTER, Anthony J. Showalter, 1858–1924

# DISMISSAL

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Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

# POSTLUDE

# **NEWS AND UPDATES:**

## **PRAYER LIST**

Aubrey F.	Rita T.	Kitty R.
Lisa F.	Mindy	Lainey M.
Mimi & DJ	Jerome J. & Family	Angie F.
Tony V.	Tristan P	Pat & Brian R.
Angie L.	Tom K.	Wanda J.
Gayle K.	Jane A.	Mark A.
Bob E.	Bonnie S.	Karen C.

## **ADULT EDUCATION**

### **Update from the Council**

It takes many people with varied abilities and a heart for service to keep our congregation and church property the faith home that we enjoy. Our Church Council meets monthly with Pr. Tim and Pr. John to make that happen. Committee Chairs and the Executive Council will share updates. Come with your questions and ideas! Please join us.

## **BWCA CANOE TRIPS**

There will be 3 canoe trips to the Boundary Water's Canoe Area this summer July 23rd – July 26th, July 30th- August 2nd, August 6th – August 9th. Check with Pastor Tim or Pastor John for details. Registration is available on the Atonement Lutheran website.

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Tall trees, waterfalls, and...an anteater? Get ready to journey deep into the heart of the jungle! At Rainforest Falls VBS 2026, kids step through the mist into a vibrant world of towering trees, cascading waterfalls, and chattering wildlife, where they'll embark on a powerful adventure exploring the true nature of God. More than just an exciting landscape, Rainforest Falls VBS helps kids grow rooted in a relationship with God, their Creator, a safe place, and a protecting guide through life's every season. Through daily Bible points, Psalm-based memory verses, and interactive storytelling, kids experience the wonder and wisdom of God in fresh, faith-building ways. Join us for Rainforest Falls VBS 2026, where all children ages 3 through Grade 6 are welcome — June 8–11 from 9:00 am to noon at Atonement Lutheran Church, 1144 29th Ave N., St. Cloud. Registration is free; sign up online or pick up a form in the church office. Questions? Call or text Lisa at 320-761-9541 or Mata at 320-252-6203 x115.

# April/May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b> <b>9am Worship</b> 10am Coffee Hour 10am Adult Ed	<b>27</b> 9 am Faith in Housing  1pm Bible Study with Pastors	<b>28</b> 9:30am Men's Group 9:30 am Naomi Circle  6:30 pm Bell Choir	<b>29</b> 8am Bible Study Online 9am Quilters  5:15pm Pizza Supper <b>5:45pm Wednesday School</b> <b>6:30pm Worship</b> <b>7:15pm Confirmation</b> 7:15 pm Choir Practice	<b>30</b> 10am Bible Study Online  12pm Bible Study 1pm Pieces of Love Quilters	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
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