

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — E L C A



Sunday, April 28th, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP at HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH. *We're glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us in worship and pray that our time together is a blessing to you. And.... please join us for our weekly fellowship brunch after worship. There's always plenty and you are very welcome. If you are looking for a faith community, we would be pleased to have you call HVLC your "church home".*

PRELUDE AND RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S CHAT AND NOISY OFFERING FOR LOCAL HUNGER RELIEF

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

C Amen.

P Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN: *"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"* **HYMN # 815**

GREETING

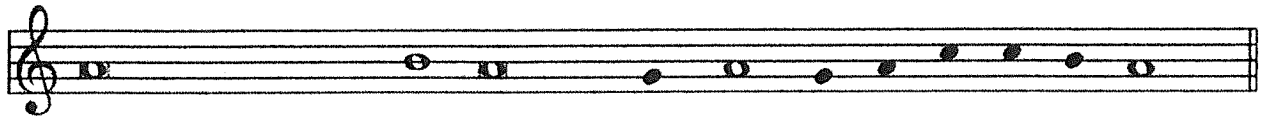
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE (setting #4 pp147-148)



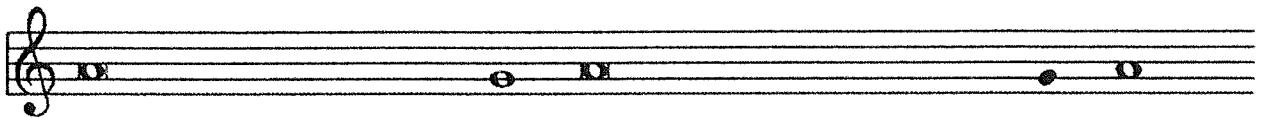
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **B** Lord, have mer - cy.



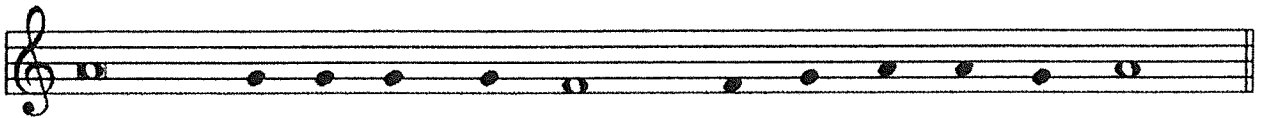
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



B Lord, have mer - cy.



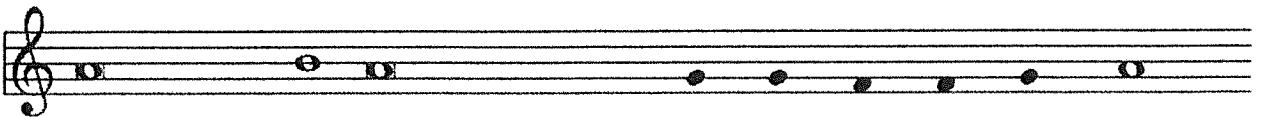
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



B Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **B** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **B** A - men

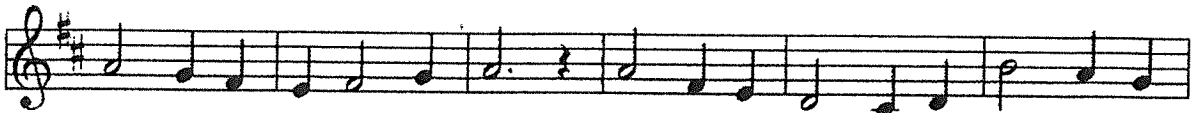
HYMN OF PRAISE



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



B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



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



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



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and 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, for the Lamb who was slain



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. O God,

C you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 8:26-40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

R The word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 22:25-31 (read responsively)

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.

²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD,
who rules over the nations.**

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰**Their descendants shall serve the LORD,
whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:7-21

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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 PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C And also with you. (please share Christ's peace with one another)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Create in Me"

HYMN #186

C Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Risen One, 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.

C Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS P God of grace

C hear our prayer

Tom (Angermeier), Elaine (C), Danielle (D), Lynn (Eskildsen), Ruth (Grainger), Charlie (H), Sandy (Hillmar), Charlotte (K), Cindy (Knapp), David (Plummer), Sue (R), Matthew (Rocque), Alice (Rocque-Angermeier), Lexi (S), Donna (S), Barb (Salzer), Ellie (Schneider), Susan (Scott), Ernie (W), and the family of Jordan & Michelle F.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered in to one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

BLESSING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ☩ bless you now and always.

C **Amen.**

TABLE BLESSING

P Let us pray together the table blessing.

C **Come Lord Jesus, be our guest and let these gifts to us be blessed. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

HYMN # 733

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Spread the Good News.

C **Thanks be to God.... AND WE WILL !!**

POSTLUDE

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Serving in worship today (April 28th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Ralph Hankermeyer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Gloria LaPlante

Ushers: Dave & Deb Grunwald

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Serving in worship next week (May 5th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Bonnie Kohn

Ushers: Bonnie Kohn & Roy Jilburg

Communion Assist: Gordy Hughes

Keyboard: Peggy Odegaard

Readings for next week: May 5th

Acts 10:44-48

The Spirit poured out on the Gentiles

Psalm 98

Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands. (Ps. 98:4)

1 John 5:1-6

The victory of faith

John 15:9-17

Christ the friend and lover

TODAY is our first Sunday of food collection at the doors of the sanctuary. We will be doing this the 4th Sunday of EACH month. Forgot today? No worries there is always a basket in the fellowship area where you can leave your donation any time. Thank you for your generosity. The noisy offering this morning will also be going to local hunger relief.

Today at 11:30 there will be defibrillator training.



The Salad Luncheon is fast approaching. Please sign up in the fellowship area for the salad and/or dessert you would like to bring. This helps so much with the planning. Remember to start talking about it with family, friends, and neighbors. Reserve your spot today.

This Saturday, May 4th, Spring Clean-up is planned to begin at 9:00. We will be cleaning up around the church on the outside as well as the inside and cleaning the ditches. Please come and help. Many hands make a big job easier. Thanks.

National Day of Prayer is May 2nd. There will be a service to recognize this at the Friends Community Church that day at 6:00 PM.

A Community Dinner is held the 1/3/5 Thursdays of each month at Prince of Peace Church in Sturgeon Bay. All are welcome. They just ask that you sign up so that they have an idea how many to plan for. Sign up at <http://bit.ly/ComDin.com>

American Heritage Girls & Trail Life USA - a Christian based group for young people ages 5-17 is being started in Sturgeon Bay. If you know someone who may be interested please let Lana know and she will get you the contact information.

From Carolyn concerning the July Goods & Goodies sale:

To anyone wishing to donate items for the yard sale...Please leave donations by the memorial wall no later than July 13th. **DO NOT LEAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING**

- * Clothing of any kind
- * Microwave ovens
- * Computers/Peripherals
- * TV sets/Monitors
- * Refrigerators
- * Freezers
- * Organs
- * Air conditioners
- * Mattresses

All other items are very much appreciated and we thank you. If you have any larger items or questions please call Carolyn Melland at 920-743-4470 920-495-2871

The car show is going to be here before we know it. There are registration forms on the table by each entrance to the sanctuary. This will be a fun day with many activities for children of all ages. Please register now.

Stewardship Opportunities April 28-May 5

Today the fellowship meal is our being provided by the folks whose last name begins L-Z. Next week the folks whose last name begins with A-K will be providing the meal.

April 25th Patrick Markham
Kathy Schmitz
April 30th Jan Shusta

Wedding Anniversaries in April

April 16th Rick & Vicki Hannemann
April 19th Bob & Leslie Petersen

Week at a Glance April 28-May 5**Tuesday 9 AM**

Quilting for missions

Wednesday 8 AM

Men's breakfast and Bible Study

Friday 9-12

Office Hours for Lana

Saturday 9 AM

Spring Clean-up

Saturday 9:30 AM

Family Choir Rehearsal

Attendance last week: 57

Birthdays in May

May 6th Joshua Degrave
Kurt DeGrave
May 10 Karin Heldmann
Delaney Wilke
May 11th Jessica Jacobson
May 16th Barbro Wilson
May 19th Roy Jilburg
May 25th Jim Monahan
May 31st John Melland

Birthdays in April

April 1st April Mascorro
Mary Lou Plummer
April 2nd Jim Hanstad
April 3rd MarJean Gutschow
Peggy Odegaard
April 5th Joe Korte
April 8th Tom Angermeier
April 10th Bonnie Kohn
April 11th Eric Schmitz
April 13th Kristor Larson
April 14th Tiffany Schultz
April 17th Jordan Degrave
April 18th Ken Overland
April 22nd Kayla Houston
April 23rd Deb Kirsch

Wedding Anniversaries in May

May 15th George Sincock & Jane
Roalkvan-Sincock
May 20th Carolyn & John Melland
Tiffany & Nick Schultz
May 23rd Jill & Kurt Degrave

There will be a brief congregational meeting next Sunday, May 5, 2024 following the worship service to discuss and vote on the contract to fix the north window of the church to make it ready for the stained glass window to be installed.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT HAINESVILLE

May Salad Luncheon

Held Wednesday May 22nd Noon– 1:00
 \$12 Invite your friends to join you! To reserve your spot contact Evelyn
 1-920-743-8548

Fish Boil

Friday June 7th 5-6:30. \$18 To reserve your spot contact Evelyn 1-920-743-8548

Motor Show

Saturday June 15th 9AM—2PM
 See website for information

Goods & Goodies Sale

Saturday July 20th 9AM—1 PM
 Start saving & making items for the sale. There will also be a bake sale. Spring cleaning is a great time to set aside things for this annual event.

Croissant Chicken Salad Luncheon

Wednesday August 21st Noon– 1 PM
 \$15

Mar 2024						
				TOTAL		
	Mar	Budget	Variance	YTD	Budget	Variance
Offerings	14,406	6,154	8,252	26,788	18,462	8,326
Total Income	15,593	7,475	8,118	28,365	22,425	5,940
Total Expenses	6,221	6,975	(754)	18,354	20,925	(2,571)

	Current	Goal
Windows Fund	\$75,176	\$68,935
Less Down Pymt	<u>-\$6,894</u>	
	<u>\$68,282</u>	