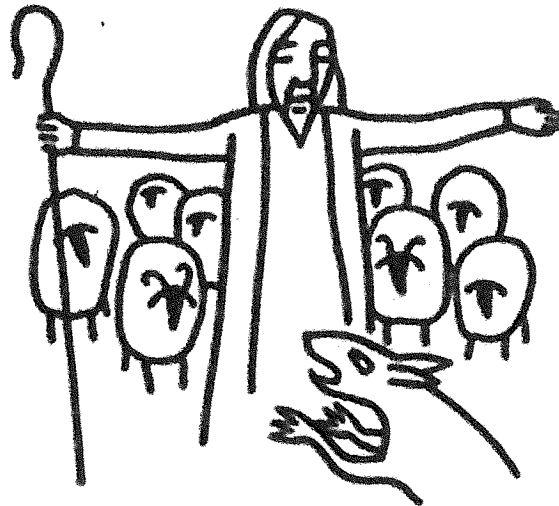


HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA



Sunday, April 21st, 2024

Fourth Sunday in 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

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.

GATHERING HYMN:

"All Are Welcome"

HYMN # 641

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)



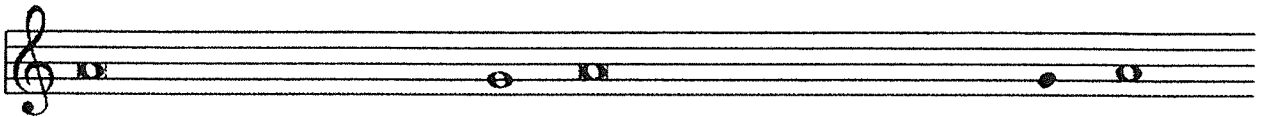
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



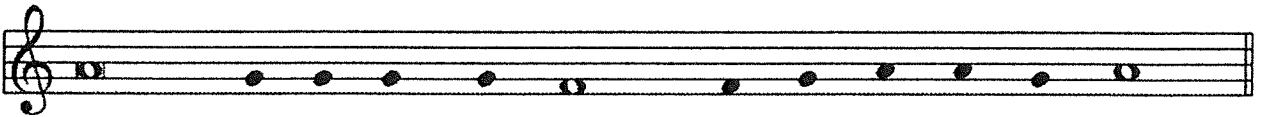
A For the peace from a - bove, 'and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



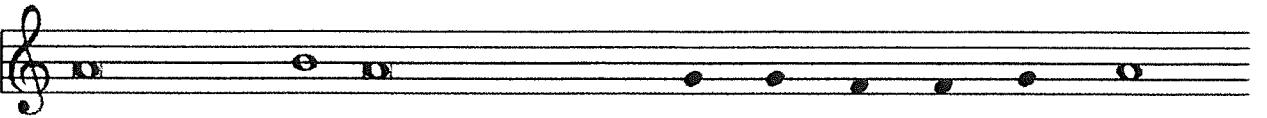
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



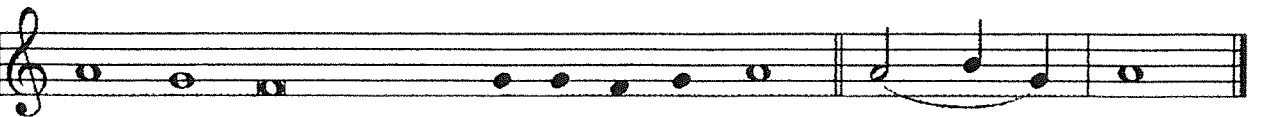
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



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



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

HYMN OF PRAISE



Ⓐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. 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 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 Lord Christ,

C **good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Acts 4:5-12

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is

‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.’

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”

R The word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: Psalm 23 (read responsively)

¹The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name’s sake.

⁴**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.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him

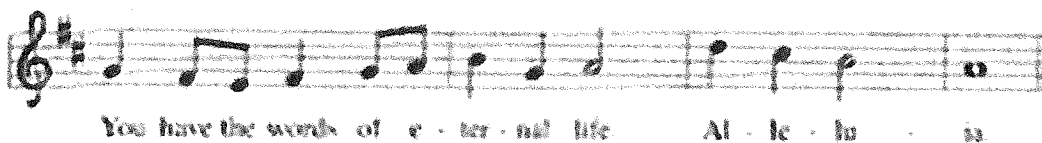
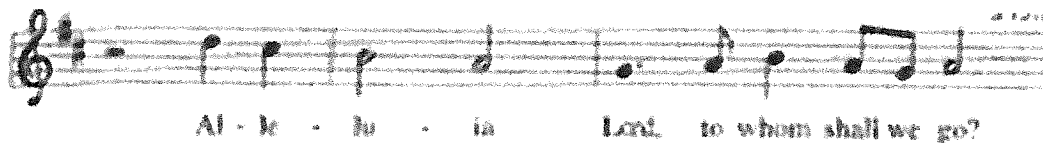
²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*setting #4 pp151*)



GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

In language that recalls the twenty-third psalm, Jesus describes himself as the shepherd who cares for his sheep. He is willing to die for them, and he is able to overcome death for them.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter

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

[Jesus said:] ¹¹“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the

wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

P The Gospel of the Lord C Praise to you O Christ.
(please be seated)

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor Ralph Hankermeyer

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Have No Fear, Little Flock”

HYMN # 764

APOSTLES CREED *(please stand as you are able)*

P Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles 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.

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), and Ernie (Watson).

C **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)*

(you may be seated)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"Let the Vineyards" (please stand)*

HYMN #184

C Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

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.

THE COMMUNION LITURGY *(sung — setting # 4 pp152)*

P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all

places offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes again to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:




♩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:



Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

P At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

COMMUNION HYMN *"Let Us Break Bread Together"* **HYMN # 471**
 "We Come to the Hungry Feast" **HYMN # 479**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION *(you may be seated)*

We welcome all believers in Christ to share in God's Holy meal. Please come to the front and receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available on the stand in the center. Children who have not received their first communion instruction are invited to come forward and receive a pastoral blessing.

COMMUNION BLESSING *(after the distribution has been completed - please stand)*

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, ☩ bless you and remain with you 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 *"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"* **HYMN # 543**

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Spread God's love.

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

POSTLUDE

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There will be a brief congregational meeting on 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.

Serving in worship today (April 21st)

Presiding minister: Pastor Ralph Hankermeyer
Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
Reader: Ben Dixner Young
Ushers: Ben Dixner Young & Reese Sund
Communion Assist: Marie Weber
Keyboard: Peggy Odegaard

Serving in worship next week (April 28th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Ralph Hankermeyer
Liturgist: Jim Hanstad
Ushers: Dave & Deb Grunwald
Reader: Gloria LaPlante
Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Readings for next week: April 28th

Acts 8:26-40

Philip teaches and baptizes an Ethiopian

Psalms 22:25-31

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD. (Ps. 22:27)

1 John 4:7-21

God's love perfected in love for one another

John 15:1-8

Christ the vine

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. Tickets will be going on sale soon.



We will be offering defibrillator training on April 28th at 11:30 following our lunch. Please register with Ellen so that we know how many to plan for. Register by either phone or email. 920-495-9161 OR eklister@gmail.com

Now is the time to order your memorial bricks for Spring installation. There are forms on the table by each entrance to the sanctuary.

Stewardship Opportunities April 21-28

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

Week at a Glance April 21-28

Tuesday 9 AM

Quilting for missions

Wednesday 8 AM

Men’s breakfast and Bible Study

Friday 9-12

Office Hours for Lana

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

Wedding Anniversaries in April

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

Attendance last week: 51

UPCOMING EVENTS AT HAINESVILLE

May Salad Luncheon

Held Wednesday May 22nd Noon– 1:00
Tickets \$12 each. Invite your friends to join you! For tickets contact Evelyn 1-920-743-8548

Fish Boil

Friday June 7th 5-6:30. Tickets \$18

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
Tickets \$15 each.

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.