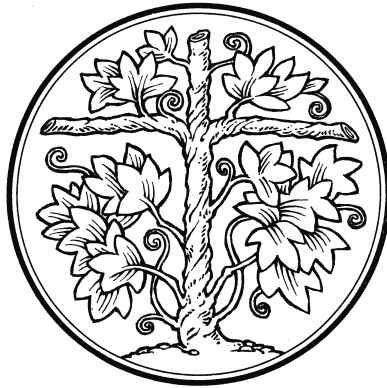


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Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024



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Please pray for Roger Blum, Barbara Dahme, Fern Preston, Sheyenne Seely, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Dawn Dohn, Lorelei Hartung, Baelyn Schwab, Pam Dutenhoffer, Clayton and Karen Johnson, Sally Kushman, Dan Lingor, Viril Layton, Martha Jerke, Sandy Wolf, Barb Wacholz, Sharon Dixon, Dallas Tschappat, Irene Feickert, and Myron Voegele.

Please inform the Pastor or the church office when you or a loved one is hospitalized.

Confirmation Sunday – Today at the 10:45 am worship service is the Rite of Confirmation for Jackson Board and Luke Kaiser.

Have you stopped by the church Bookstore lately? Come see our new items – spring napkins, graduation cards, T-shirts, and more!

The Drevlow family needs help moving. Please come and help on Sat., May 4 beginning at 9:00 am at the U-Haul Storage units. Lunch will be provided.

Ascension Worship Service – Thurs., May 9th at 7:00 pm at St. Paul's. At this service we will be using incense.

Camp Minneboji – Register now for Camp Minneboji. Registration information packets are located on the table in the South Narthex. Register. Registration will close May 1st. Contact the church office to add your name for the van list. Camp is June 16 – June 22, 2024.

The April edition of the **Lutheran Witness** is on the table in the South Narthex.

Pastor Drevlow Visitation – Sign-up sheets are located in the South Narthex for visitation dates/times. This is a great way to meet Pastor Drevlow and/or family and for them to meet you. This can be at the church, a home visit, or a group meal.

Youth Group Rummage Sale on Saturday, May 11th from 8am-3pm – Please think of us during your spring cleaning! We need baby and children's clothes, jewelry, books, toys, tools, electronics, small appliances, etc. Large appliances, large pieces of furniture, mattresses,

broken items, and **adult clothing** will NOT be accepted this year. Donations will be received Monday, April 1st to Wednesday, May 8th. Donated items can be placed on the stage or church garage. Proceeds from the rummage sale will benefit St. Paul's youth ministry. Thank you and God bless!

Please sign the fellowship booklet attendance.

Lighthouse Preschool Spring Program - Please join us for the Lighthouse Preschool spring program and graduation on Monday, May 13th at 6:15 as the children present the Lord's Prayer through recitation and song! We also invite everyone to stay afterward for our graduation party! Afterwards, there will be a table with baked goods and plants for sale for a free will donation. If you are willing to do a little baking or donate houseplants, flowers or vegetable starts for our table, we would greatly appreciate it! Thank you for your support of the preschool this year. Have a very blessed summer!

MAIN STREET LIVING – May 5, 2024 KDLT (NBC) This the Life – 10:00 AM – “How C

ome A Nice Girl Like You” 10:30 AM – **Worship** – Rev. Bob Moeller presents a message titled “How to Overcome the World.” The sermon is based on 1 John 5:4-5. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – May 5, 2024 “Rejoicing On the Way.” The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or Bismarck radio station KFYZ at 7:30 am on Sundays.

Organist: Sunday – Sue Ellingson **Wed** – Cindy Jung

Sunday Attendance: April 21: 8:00 am – 98 Communed – 78
10:45 am – 150 Communed - 95

Wed: 31 Communed - 26

Bible Study: Sun: 62 Wed: 10am - 10 5:15 pm – 6

Offering: April 21 - \$12,339.00

Coffee - \$97.00 Sunday School - \$28.00 Missions - \$100.00

Amount to meet budget: \$12,569.00 per week

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (April 28 – May 5)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am Bible Study, Donuts and Coffee
9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service
5-7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting

Wed 5:15 pm Women's Bible Study
5:15 pm Five Loaves Supper
6:15 pm **Worship**

Thurs 9:00 am Quilting
6:30 pm Preschool Board Meeting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am Bible Study, Donuts and Coffee
9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service

Lighthouse Preschool Spring Fundraiser

The Lighthouse Preschool will be holding our spring fundraiser during the month of April. This year we are going to host a raffle style fundraiser. We have had some very generous donors from around Aberdeen contribute items for this raffle. **Tickets will be for sale April 2-May 3 and cost \$10 each.**

A few of the items available in this raffle include:

- \$275 Kens Grocery gift card
- Brown County fair midway package
- Wylie Park staycation package
- Camping Stove and chairs package

A complete list of the prizes can be found in the narthex as well as tickets available for purchase. **All ticket stubs and money are due back to Cindy or Jenelle by Friday, May 3rd. The drawing will be Wednesday, May 8th. You will be contacted if you win!**

All proceeds will be donated to the preschool and used to purchase new toys and curriculum for next year and to help fund our tuition assistance program.

Thank you for being wonderful supporters of our preschool!

Psalm *Psalm 150; antiphon: v. 6*

P₁ Praise the LORD!

C **Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens!**

P₂ Praise him for his mighty deeds;

C **praise him according to his excellent greatness!**

P₃ Praise him with trumpet sound;

C **praise him with lute and harp!**

P₄ Praise him with tambourine and dance;

C **praise him with strings and pipe!**

P₅ Praise him with sounding cymbals;

C **praise him with loud clashing cymbals!**

P₆ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

C **Praise the LORD!**

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through 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 8:26–40*

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his

chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.” ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” ³¹And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with 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 before its shearer is silent,
so he opens not his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?”

³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?” ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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*

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

**C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory
and honor.**

P: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle *1 John 4:1–21*

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. ⁴Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides 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 testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. ¹⁶So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. ¹⁷By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also 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 been perfected in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not

seen. ²¹And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel *John 15:1–8*

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.