

Weekly Schedule

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Sunday, April 28th

8:30 AM Sunday School

9:30 AM Worship

10:30 AM Treats and Talk

7:00 PM Book Club (Library)

Monday, April 29th

6:00 PM Wildfire Planning Committee Meeting

7:00 PM Ladies Ensemble

Tuesday, April 30th

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

2:00 PM Bible Study at Robbins Way

Wednesday, May 1st

10:00 AM Contemplative Prayer

10:30 AM Bible Study

3:30 PM Faith Education

6:00 PM Confirmation

7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Friday, May 3rd

Office Closed

Sunday, May 5th

8:30 AM Sunday School

9:30 AM Worship

10:30 AM Treats and Talk

3:00 PM Pastor Pam and Vicar Karen on internship retreat (May 5-7)

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Sunday Worship

April 28, 2024



Fifth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to Worship

Children are welcome in worship at FLW!

The congregational speaking parts are printed in bold.

All who believe are welcome to commune. You are invited to come forward to receive communion (wine is red and grape juice is white) and bread or a gluten free wafer - or you may pick up a communion kit (chalices filled with grape juice and gluten free wafers) and receive it in your pew.

Prelude

Welcome and Sharing of Peace

Gathering Song

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen! ELW 377 vs 1-3

Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

Refrain

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

Walking the way, Christ in the center
telling the story to open our eyes;
breaking our bread, giving us glory:
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. ***Refrain***

Jesus the vine, we are the branches;
life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;
heaven to earth, Christ to the people,
gift of the future now flowing to me. ***Refrain***

Thanksgiving for Baptism

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters.

By your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

We marvel at the oceans and lakes, rivers and streams, the water that falls from the clouds above, the dew on the grass and the water that is stored deep within the earth. The gift of water washes us clean, quenches our thirst and nurtures crops and creatures.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life.

In baptism, this same water, with God's word, joins us to Christ and gives us new life.

In baptism, we are marked with the cross of Christ and sealed with the Holy Spirit.

Electronic sign?

During the April 15th Council Meeting, the existing and needing to be replaced in the near future, FLW sign on 42nd was a topic of discussion. Do we replace it with another like sign or as almost all churches in the area have done, should FLW go electronic? The council decided to explore the option of an electronic sign. Interested in being part of the conversation and/or research? Contact Dave Fernelius.

Interested in Serving on the Worship Committee?

Do you love worship? Do you have ideas about how we worship at FLW? Do you wish we did something in worship that we aren't? Do you want to see worship change? Stay the same? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please see Pastor Pam. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 14th at 7:00am in the library.

Interested in becoming a member of Faith Lilac Way?

We'd love to have you join us! For more information please contact Pastor Pam. pastorpam@faithlilacway.org 763.537.4523

Upcoming Summer Events

May 2nd-5th Minneapolis Area Synod Assembly/Elect a New Bishop

May 8th The Gathering Place on the Church Lawn 6:00pm

May 26th Vicar Karen's Graduation 3:00pm Central Lutheran Church

June 9th Cherish All Children 5K Walk/Run 11:00am

June 12th The Gathering Place on the Church Lawn 6:00pm

June 19th Wildfire Every Meal Fundraiser at House of Hope 5:30pm

July 10th The Gathering Place on the Church Lawn 6:00pm

July 14th Whiz Bang Days Parade

August 14th The Gathering Place on the Church Lawn 6:00pm

August 21st Big Band Bash 6:00pm

September 9th Robbinsdale Meet & Greet 5:00pm

September 11th The Gathering Place on the Church Lawn 6:00pm

Worship Leaders

Pastor	Pastor Pamela Stalheim Lane
Intern Pastor	Vicar Karen Peterson
Music Director	Ann Marie Skoglund-Anderson
Music.....	Chancel Choir
Soloists.....	Chris Ipsen and Janis Anderson
Clarinet.....	Jessica Hughes
Lector.....	Clint Hughes
Communion Assistant.....	Laura Jacobson
Usher	Debbie and Mark Overman
Altar Guild.....	Kim Ipsen
Streaming.....	Steve Ferkingstad Dave Fernelius

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission of the Month: Small Sums

Small Sums is our April Mission of the Month. Since opening its doors in 2005, Small Sums has outfitted thousands of individuals experiencing poverty and homelessness with the work gear, tools, training, and transportation they need to start a new job. Innovative in their simplicity, Small Sums help folks get licenses, training, transportation, and other necessary items to get to their first and next paycheck. Small Sums mission is to remove these kinds of barriers that keep them from starting a job they've already secured.

To support this ministry, please make a donation to our April Mission of the Month. If writing a check, make the check out to FLW and write Small Sums in the memo line. If donating online, choose the Mission of the Month option.

Bible Study at Robbins Way

On Tuesdays at 2:00pm, all are welcome to join Pastor or Vicar for an hour-long Bible Study with our neighbors at Robbins Way. Enter the building on the Faith Lilac Way side of the building.



With this assurance, confess to God your sins - those times in which you have not been your best self, which is the person that God made you to be.

A moment of silence for reflection and confession.

Trusting in the power of God and the gift of baptism in which God claims you as God's beloved child, all your sins have been forgiven, washed away. May you be a witness of the power of God's resurrecting love and may the Holy Spirit shower you with grace and love. **Amen.**

Greeting

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.**

Hymn of Praise

Praise and Thanks and Adoration

ELW 783

Praise and thanks and adoration,
Son of God, to you we give,
for you chose to serve creation,
died that sinners all might live.
Dear Lord Jesus, guide my way;
faithful let me day by day
follow where your steps are leading,
find adventure, joys exceeding!

Hold me ever in your keeping,
comfort me in pain and strife;
through my laughter and my weeping,
lift me to a nobler life.
Draw my fervent love to you;
constant hope and faith renew
in your birth, your life and passion,
in your death and resurrection.

Prayer of the Day

Gracious God, **you sent your Son into the world that we might live through him. May we abide in his risen life so that we may bear the fruit of love for one another and know the fullness of joy. Amen.**

Lesson 1 John 4:7-21 (NRSV)

The lesson is from 1 John, the 4th chapter.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In 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. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if

we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So 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. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There 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. We love because he first loved us. Those 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. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Gospel John 15:1-8 (NRSV)

The gospel according to John the 15th chapter.

Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Homily

Pastor Pamela Stalheim Lane

Sending Song ***We Know That Christ is Raised***

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold,
and our despair he turned to blazing joy.
Hallelujah!

We share by water in his saving death.
Reborn, we share with him an Easter life,
as living members of our Savior Christ.
Hallelujah!

The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God.
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One.
Hallelujah!

A new creation comes to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.
The universe restored and whole will sing:
Hallelujah!

Announcements

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✝ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in grace, grow in faith, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Communion Distribution

The image shows a musical score for a communion distribution. It consists of five staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace." The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a common time signature.

As the Grains of Wheat

ELW 465

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
were gathered into one to become our bread;
so may all your people from all the ends of earth
be gathered into one in you.

As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,
may we share the presence of your love. **Refrain**

Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come
when all creation shares this feast with you. **Refrain**

Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. Lord Jesus, **With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in your name. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

Beloved, God's Chosen

ELW 648

Beloved, God's chosen,
put on as a garment
compassion, forgiveness, and goodness of heart.
Above all, before all,
let love be your raiment
that binds into one every dissonant part.

Within, call forth Wisdom,
to dwell in you richly;
let peace rule your hearts,
and that peace be of Christ.
And from the heart's chamber,
beloved and holy,
let singing thanksgiving to God ever rise.

Beloved, God's chosen,
put on as a garment
compassion, forgiveness, and goodness of heart.
Above all, before all,
let love be your raiment
that binds into one ev'ry dissonant part.

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 the People

Each petition will end with: God of Grace
The congregation is invited to respond: **hear our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

Offering *I Will Be the Vine* Lawton and McCann

Offering Prayer

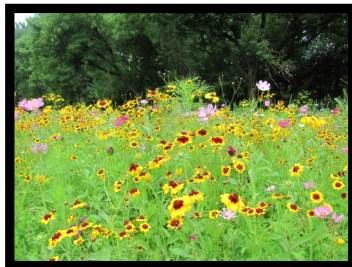
Let us pray. Risen One, **you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.**

Offering Response

For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies:
Christ, our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.



It is indeed right . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 Lord God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

"Devote yourselves to
 prayer, being watchful
 and thankful."
 Colossians 4:2