Lord of Life Lutheran Church Plano, Texas



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Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

† reaching up to God in worship and prayer,

† reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &

† reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

A Prayer before Worship

O God, teach me to see you, and reveal yourself to me when I seek you. For I cannot see you unless you first seek me, nor find you unless you first reveal yourself to me. Let me seek you in longing; and long for you in seeking. Let me find you in love and love you in finding. Amen. (St. Ambrose of Milan, c.339-397)

Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

Nursery/Cry Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed until further notice. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

For Those Desiring Holy Communion, Please Read:

"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." 1Corinthians 11:27-29

Being admonished to receive Christ's Body and Blood in a worthy manner, let us prepare our hearts for reception of this sacrament by privately answering the following:

- 1. Do I believe that I am a sinful person without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ?
- 2. Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my Savior?
- 3. Do I believe that He is present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion with His Body and Blood?
- 4. Do I hope by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a godly life?

AS YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, that you believe His Body and Blood are present, and that you desire to serve Him as a disciple in the fellowship of His church. If you are not an active member of an LCMS congregation, please speak with the Pastor before communing.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2020 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM Divine Service IV – LSB 203

Prelude

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Entrance Hymn

"Praise to You and Adoration" LSB 692

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	Praise to You and ad - o - ra - tion, Bless - ed Je - sus, Hold me ev - er in Your keep - ing; Com - fort me in
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€ _	Son of God, Who, to serve Your own cre - a - tion, Came to pain and strife. In my laugh - ter and my weep - ing Be with
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•)	share our flesh and blood. Guide me that I nev - er may me through - out my life. Give me great - er love for You,
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	From Your fold or pas - tures stray, But with zeal and And my faith and hope re - new In Your birth, Your
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e	joy ex - ceed - ing Fol - low where Your steps are lead - ing. life, and pas - sion, In Your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- Matthew 28-19b, [18:20]
- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.
- Psalm 124:8

- Our help is in the name of the Lord, P
- **C** who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

[Luke 18:13]

- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, P and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to C everlasting life. Amen.

[John 20:19-23]

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake P forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen. C

Kyrie In pray to the Lord. let **[A**] peace us **C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy. **P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

+++Service of the Word+++

Mark 10:47; LSB 204

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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First Reading

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Solo Anthem

The Lord is My Shepherd by Antonin Dvorak

The Lord is my shepherd, I want for nothing, My rest is in the pleasant meadow. He leadeth me where quiet waters flow.

My fainting soul doth He restore and guideth me in the ways of peace, to glorify His name.

And though in death's dark valley my steps must wander, my spirit shall not fear, for Thou art with me still. Thy rod and staff are with me, and they shall comfort me.

Epistle

1 Peter 2:19–25

¹⁹This is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing

2 Timothy 4:22; LSB 205

Acts 2:42–47

in the sight of God. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

P This is the Word of the Lord.



Stand



Holy Gospel

John 10:1-10

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

G Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ²But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

- **C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
 - And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.
 - And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

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Hymn of the Day

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" LSB 709

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1 The King of love my shep - herd is	
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flo	ow, My ran-somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I stray	yed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no il	
5 Thou spreadst a ta - ble in my sig	ht; Thine unc - tion
6 And so through all the length of day	ys Thy good - ness



Sermon

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Prayer of the Church

Each petition concludes with:

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** Hear our prayer.

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(Ordinarily, this is the time to collect our offerings. As we are forgoing passing a plate, baskets have been placed at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also mail your offerings or contribute online from our website's "Giving" link.)

+++Service of the Sacrament+++

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Preface

LSB 208 2 Timothy 4:22, [Colossians 3:1], [Psalm 136]



The Lord be with you. And also 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 truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has

delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord

- Luke 22:19-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-25
 Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

 \mathbf{P} The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

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Matthew 6:9–13

Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24,

John 20:19



Distribution

Communicants are asked to hold forth their open hand to receive the bread so the elder may discern who is confirmed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center circle of individual cups for those who prefer it. If you take an individual cup, please keep it visible; otherwise the Pastor will offer you the common cup.

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Luke 2:29-32; LSB 211





Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- **P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you
 - and be gracious to you.
 - The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- **C** Amen.

[Psalm 103:1]

Numbers 6:24-26

Closing Hymn

"Have No Fear, Little Flock" LSB 735



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Announcements

Dismissal



C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

An offering may be placed in the basket as you exit.

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Classes have been canceled until further notice.

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When you shop at Amazon, use the link: *http://smile.amazon.com/ch/75-2109773* when you log on and your purchases will benefit Lord of Life Lutheran Church. We received \$249.03 as a result of AmazonSmile activity between October 1 and December 31, 2019! Thank you!

Tom Thumb- A "Good Neighbor" to Lord of Life

If you shop Tom Thumb regularly, complete a Reward Card application (available from the cashier) and link your card to **Good Neighbor Code #2775**. From then on, your purchases will benefit Lord

of Life Lutheran Church. We received \$71.22 from Tom Thumb purchases between January 1 and March 31, 2020! Thank you!



Community Rewards

If you shop Kroger regularly, link your Kroger Plus Card to Lord of Life (**BW594**) in their Community Rewards program, then your purchases will benefit Lord of Life Lutheran Church. This selection must be renewed every August or it is dropped from your Kroger Plus Card – check your receipts if you're not sure where your rewards are going. We received \$48.90 from Kroger purchases between November 27, 2019 and February 26, 2020 from 18 households! Thank you!

Life Thoughts in the Church Year

Abortion views a little one's weakness as reason to exclude her. Assisted suicide sees a patient's need as an occasion for discarding him. The first Christians welcomed their weak and needy as opportunities for community (Acts 2:44-45). They learned from Jesus that a neighbor who lacked meant an invitation to lean in and share life. Are we too far gone to engage in the same with the least of these?

This week on KFUO.org

Hear the good news of our resurrected Christ in daily chapel at 10:00 a.m. CT, begin studying the Gospel of Mark on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and dig into our Lutheran confessions on Concord Matters (5/5 at 2:00 p.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at <u>kfuo.org</u>.



Easter

About the Cover: The Good Shepherd is known by His sheep. He enters to be among us through the door and speaks with the voice that we know. Jesus' voice speaks clearly and discernibly today through the clear Gospel that has been preached and received from the beginning. He, indeed, is the door itself. He has laid down His life for the sheep to take it up again, all of His own accord. In Him, and Him alone, do we find lasting forgiveness, safety, and security.