

# FAITH

LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Love God. Love Others. Serve.



## SUNDAY BULLETIN

APRIL 19, 2026

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Contemporary Worship Service

*As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identities are united here in our mission to love God, Love Others, Serve.*

# - CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

April 19 2026 • 11:11am

3rd Sunday of Easter

Welcome Wendi Love, Interfaith Health Center

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## SONGS

*Creed*

*Your Love Oh Lord*

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS FOR THE EASTER SEASON

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**Congregation: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, makes us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. † He is risen. He is risen indeed.

**C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Bob Stelter

## PARISH NEWS

Greg Bohlken, Ministry Associate

## GUEST SPEAKER *Interfaith Health Center*

Wendi Love

## FIRST READING **Jeremiah 29:11-13** *pew Bible, page 717*

*Jeremiah speaks to the Israelites in Babylonian Exile, assuring them that God will come for them. But first, they must come to God*

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me, if you seek me with all your heart.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SECOND READING **Romans 12:1-2** *pew Bible, page 1,035*

*Paul appeals to the followers of Jesus to live new lives in Christ*

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God--what is good and acceptable and perfect.

**GOSPEL Luke 11:1-4** *pew Bible, page 949*

*Jesus encourages us to pray. He gives direction and encouragement for our prayer lives. He even offers a prayer example, the Lord's Prayer.*

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples. So he said to them, "When you pray, say:  
Father, may your name be revered as holy.  
May your kingdom come.  
Give us each day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.  
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON:** *Easter Season Sermon Series on the Nature of God*

Pastor Bob Stelter

This week: God's Will

**SERMON SONG** *I Will Follow*

**SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE**

**OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY**

**OFFERING SONG** *All Who Are Thirsty*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Pastor: Merciful God,

**Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER / HOLY COMMUNION**

**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.**

**COMMUNION SONG** *Goodness of God*

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

Pastor: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## **EASTER BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Go forth in the world as Easter people. Serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; and honor all people rejoicing in the power of the Father, the Son † and the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

**SENDING SONG** *Hallelujah Feeling* (Children are invited to the altar)

## **DISMISSAL**

Praise Band: He is risen!

**Congregation: He is risen indeed!**

A: Love God. Love others. Serve.

**C: Alleluia!**

## **WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Carmen Larsen
<b>GREETER</b>	Christina Landau
<b>USHERS</b>	Nelson Titsworth, Matt Wright
<b>COMMUNION MINISTERS</b>	Sarah Wright, Dawn Titsworth, Yvette Edwards, Cadence Titsworth, Cortlyn Titsworth
<b>PROJECTION &amp; LIGHTS</b>	Tara Taylor

*The arrangements on the altar are given by **Barbara & Dave Birkholz**  
in memory of **Edna Birkholz, Dave's mother.***

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## PRAYERS

*(Prayers are refreshed at the beginning of each month)*

### Members

Terry Biesboer, Gene Bird, Dave Birkholz, Jan Bishop, Mary Blackburn, Nathan Blackburn, Rob & Rhonda, Blackburn, Roger Brown, Jaigne Christman, Nancy & Leon Cole, Katie Condon, Michael Condon, Ian Cooper, Myles Cooper, Debbie Courtney, Nancy Dean, Nancy Dickinson, Michelle Dionne-Kadowaki and family, Irene Dorfinger, Patsy Elmore, John Elmore, Karoline Frasch, Pat Gary, Calvin Giles, Doug Goins, Mary Beth & Alex Green, Jonas Greenman, Chip Hester, Anya Holbert, Deb & Doug Houck, Tom Jayne, Peggy Jurkoic, Lin & Mike McKinley, Diane Lee, Debbie Palatinus, Scarlett Parrott, Harold Peters, Joe Poole, Dr. Ted Primka, Sandra Prior, the Roberts family, the Saylor families, Pamela Spaar, Bill Steele, Rich Wellner, Jean Witte, John Woods, Matt Wright.

**Friends & Families:** App family, Dave Berry, Bill Birkholz, Jim Birkholz, Sheila Birkholz, Noelani Bossman, Katie & Brandon Brown, Michael Carfi, Steve Case, Hilda Chapel, Chris Clark, Meg Corrigan, Victoria Cox, Nancy Crain, Michael Damico, Dennis Family, Van Dudley, Brandy & Brian Duke, Kevin Duskin, Dan Edmunds, Favre family, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Kathi Fenske-Hong, Allison Galloway Kraft, Phylis Garrison, Cindy Gioe, Wil Glafenhein & family, Angél Gobel, Allan Goldsmith, Matthew Green, Gutelius family, Blanche Hall, Hall family, Randi Hammer-Boge, Lynne Heffner, Nadine Heislbetz, Jeff Herbold, Joy Hymer, Don Karlstad, Bob Kessling, AJ Kitchen, Barb Korsmo, Loyacano family, Dorothy McMahan, Mathilda Meffert, Nancy & Mike Morgan, Scott Nelson, Josh Nichols, Madelaine Patterson, Rev. Dan Pavaloa, Chris Patrick, Rose & Steve Penney, Chris Peters, Julie Reed, Alyssa Powers Rivers, Carolyn Russell, Jim Russell, Sarah Rye, Salles families, Lainey Savilsky, Marilyn Savilsky, Scaglione family, Richard Sena, Jim Shea, Debbie Shinholt, Lynn Siegfried & family, baby Ruth Sommerfeld and family, Bryce Stephens, Leora Stewart, Baby Ruth Sommerfeld, Brody Taylor, Audra Tyler Moore, Frank Tyler, Doug Trout, Sheli Voorhees, Micki Weith, Janet Wengert, Townley Whalen, Jim Williams, Sherry Williams, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Sherry Wolfe, Diane Yonke, Gary Yonke, Taylor Ystebroe, Mark Zalesky, Zehner family, Nan Ziegler, Adelaide, Alex Kate & her mother, Alexander, Angel & Ben, Ann Marie, Basham, Carolyn, Cehree & family, Charles, Cheri & George, Christopher, Dallas, Darcy, Garrett, Jim, Jodi, Judy, Julie & Kevin, Karen, Kevin, Kim, Lara Beth, Laura, Lucy, Max, Micki, Peter, RC, Ron, RYG, Sandra, Sara & family, Shannington, Sharon & family, ouranne, Van *and those we name to You.*

**Baptism Blessings:** Clementine Grace Kilbey; parents Rebecca & Jordan Kilbey; sponsors Kylea & Chris Swanson; grandparents Lori & William baptized today. Noah Garcia baptized on April 26

**Welcome New Members:** Paul, Tammy & Ben Hyland; Kathryn Kripas; Peggy Lanning.

**Joy:** Via de Cristo weekend, April 16-19. Larry Koran team member.

**Interfaith Health Center Ministry:** Wendi Love.

**Success:** Brianna Saylor defending her Master's Thesis this Wednesday, *Habitat Associations of Breeding Grassland Birds in Tennessee.*

**Comfort in the midst of death for the family and friends of:** Alan Holman, John Adam Delahoussaye, Jeremy Dalton, Diana Stephens, Jack Park, James Stephens.

**Shepherd of Hope Pantry Friends:** Amanda & her children, Sasha & daughter, Savannah & Devon, Max, Patti Morgan & family, Charlie & Weston, Chris, Josefina, Long Ho, Betty, Tiffany, Nita & family, Amanda & me, Ted & Sandra, Charline, Tommy, Kristi & Trent, Tom, Paul, Robby, Retha, Mary, Sally, Pryors, Mytohia & family, Christine & family, Happy, Patricia & children, Sherry & Mike, Taissi, Denis, Daniela, Mark *and those known to God.*

**Salvation Army** Marcus, Leah, Asha, Christy, Ellra, Stephanie, Faye, Cherese, Jazayla, Jazarah, Sasuke, Jervice, Gary, Tom, EL, Rick, Jonathon, Darren, Jacob, Gary *and those known to God.*

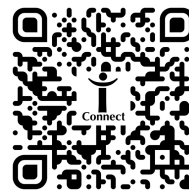
**Concern & Assistance:** Those dealing with addiction while incarcerated. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans. Refugees and those living in fear of deportation. Persecuted Christians. The people of Nigeria, Iran, Israel, Syria, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia.

**Partnerships:** Bishop Yehiel Curry & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Kevin Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Seminarian Sam Sosebee; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; English Language Learning Classes, Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Homeless Shelters; Street Hope; Alzheimer's Support Group; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band; Mercy Ships; Lutheran Church & School in Guatemala; AL-ANON; Narcotics Anonymous.

**Peace & Protection for all armed forces, especially:** Jacob Cole, Anthony Hu, HM, Andrew McDonald, Alex Primka, Sam Thompson, Chris Yonke, Mitchell Yount.

# WELCOME








*If you are new, we'd love to get to know you.  
Please scan in and fill out your information.  
Returning guests, please scan in for attendance.*





## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 10:15 a.m.

-  **Adult Bible Class** In the classroom side of *The Cup*
-  **Teen Sunday School (6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)** In the Youth Room
-  **Confirmation Class (8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> Grade)** In the Library
-  **Children's Sunday School for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and younger**
  - **Ye Littles of Faith** for Kindergarten and younger in East hallway classroom next to Nursery
  - **The Mighty Kids Kingdom for 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grades in West Hallway Classroom**
-  **Tuesday Bible Study (Open to All)** In the classroom side of The Cup

## STAY CONNECTED

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## WAYS TO GIVE

-  Pay online using the QR code or visit [faithloves.org](https://faithloves.org) and select **Donate Here**.
-  Pay with cash or check in the offering plate during service.



### FAITHFUL RESPONSE

Offerings last week:     \$ 19,361  
Offerings year to date:   \$ 313,319

# WHAT'S GOING ON?

## Upcoming Events

### Canticle of Prayer: Candlelight Concert

- May 2 at 6:30 p.m.

### Bikes & Blessings

- April 26 at 12:15 p.m.
- We are still accepting donations of bicycles and helmets.

### Unified Outdoor Worship and Picnic

- May 24, 10 a.m. at McFee Park
- Burgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. Please bring sides to share.

### Vacation Bible School

- June 1-5. Register online at [faithloves.org/vbs2026](http://faithloves.org/vbs2026).

## Daily Lectionary Readings

**M:** Genesis 18:1-14, 1 Peter 1:23-25, Psalm 134

**T:** Proverbs 8:32-9:6, 1 Peter 2:1-3, Psalm 134

**W:** Exodus 24:1-11, John 21:1-14, Psalm 134

**Th:** Exodus 2:15b-25, 1 Peter 2:9-12, Psalm 23

**F:** Exodus 3:16-22; 4:18-20, 1 Peter 2:13-17, Psalm 23

**S:** Ezekiel 34:1-16, Luke 15:1-7, Psalm 23

**S:** Isaiah 52:7-10, 2 Timothy 4:6-11, Psalm 57

## This Week

### Sunday, April 19

- **9 a.m.** Traditional Worship Service
- **10:15 a.m.** Sunday School
- **11:11 a.m.** Contemporary Worship Service

### Monday, April 20

- **12 p.m.** Via de Cristo Reunion
- **3 p.m.** Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry
- **6:15 p.m.** English Language Class
- **6:30 p.m.** Property Team Meeting

### Tuesday, April 21

- **1:30 p.m.** Bible Study Class
- **7:30 p.m.** Narcotics Anonymous

### Wednesday, April 22

- **9:30 p.m.** PEO Chapter AH
- **4:15 p.m.** Staff Meeting
- **5:30 p.m.** Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- **6:30 p.m.** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, April 23

- **6:30 p.m.** *The Cup* Revision Team
- **7:30 p.m.** Narcotics Anonymous

### Friday, April 24

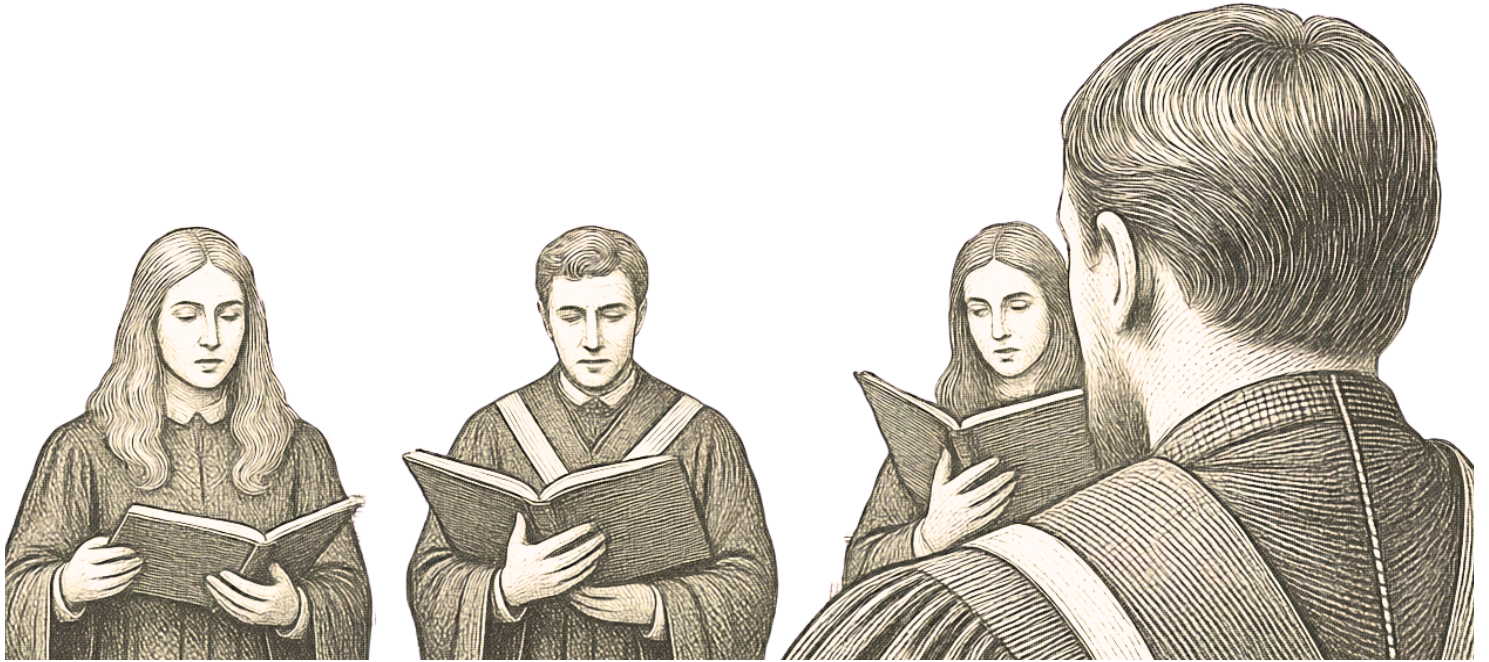
- **9:30 p.m.** Cole Center Caregiver Community
- **4 p.m.** Mom's Club Potluck
- **7 p.m.** Narcotics Anonymous

### Saturday, April 25

- **7 a.m.** Bed Build Day / Knox Fox Realty
- **11:11 a.m.** Al-Anon

### Sunday, April 26

- **9 a.m.** Traditional Worship Service
- **10:15 a.m.** Sunday School
- **11:11 a.m.** Contemporary Worship Service
- **12 p.m.** Bikes and Blessings
- **5 p.m.** Celtic Worship Service



# **A CANTICLE OF PRAYER:**

## **A CANDLELIGHT CONCERT**



***Saturday, May 2 at 6:30 p.m.***

***Light refreshments served.***

Come experience an uplifting performance by the

Choir of Faith Lutheran Church.

Free and open to the community—everyone is

welcome, so bring your family and friends!

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