



Easter People Follow

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AS WE GATHER

Flocks of sheep can number in the hundreds or even thousands. An annual trek from winter quarters to summer pastures and back again at a location in rural Idaho consistently draws hundreds of spectators to a location where the sheep must cross a major highway to reach their destination. Keeping track of two or three thousand sheep on the move is quite a task! Jesus, our Good Shepherd, knows how to care for not just thousands but millions of His sheeplike people. The prophet Isaiah says of the Lord God that He "will tend His flock like a shepherd" (40:11). Assured and reassured that we are part of His flock, we travel through life following the guidance of our caring Shepherd!

HYMN**COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING****LSB 686*****INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCESJohn 12:26; Ephesians 4:15; Psalm 25:1-3, 5, 10; 106:48*

- P Jesus said: "If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him."
C **Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ.**
- P To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust.
C **Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame.**
- P Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation.
C **All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.**
- P Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!
C **And let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise the LORD!**
- P Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and pray for His gracious forgiveness. We begin our time of Confession and Absolution as we sing the hymn "Out of the Deep I Call."

HYMN OF CONESSION*Out of the Deep I Call***Tune: LSB 610****CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.
C **O Lord God Almighty, we confess that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have not put You first at all times. We have not followed in the ways You have set forth for us. We have not always been thoughtful caretakers of Your creation and have not shared its**

bounty on all occasions. We have not kept our thoughts, words, and deeds fully pure and honorable. We have sinned in ways we know and in ways we do not even recognize. We have not honored those in authority and have not without reservation encouraged them. We have not completely put the best construction on all things and on all people. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us all our sins, and finally by Your grace, bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

- P The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

***KYRIE**

LSB 204

- C **Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.**

***SALUTATION**

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

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- 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.**

FIRST READING

Acts 4:1–12

¹As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ²greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷And when they had set them in the 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 being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹²And there is

salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM – read responsively

Psalm 23

- A The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- C **He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.**

- A He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
- C **Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.**

- A You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- C **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

**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.**

EPISTLE

1 John 3:16–24

¹⁶By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? ¹⁸Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

¹⁹By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; ²⁰for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; ²²and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***VERSE – read responsively**

Romans 6:9; John 10:14

- P Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.

C **Alleluia. I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me. Alleluia.**

***HOLY GOSPEL**

John 10:11–18

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

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

¹¹[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing 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. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of 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 that I may take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON HYMN

THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

LSB 709

SERMON

EASTER PEOPLE FOLLOW

JOHN 10:11-18

***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 \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After our petitions:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

*PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **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.**

*PROPER PREFACE

*SANCTUS

LSB 208

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father... So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

*LORD'S PRAYER

*PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

*AGNUS DEI

LSB 210

DISTRIBUTION Distribution is at the rail, with both common cup and individual cup; de-alcoholized wine in center of tray. Gluten free wafers available by signifying to pastor/elder. Please use the pew cards to register your attendance at Holy Communion.

HYMN	SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US	LSB 711
HYMN	LAMB OF GOD	LSB 550
HYMN	PRAISE TO YOU AND ADORATION	LSB 692

*NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 211

*POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

*BENEDICTION

HYMN TO DEPART

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

LSB 537

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Call day at LCMS Seminaries

April 23 and 24 hold special meaning as our seminaries announce pastoral and diaconal calls and vicarage and internship placements. For more information and to watch the livestreams, visit ctsfw.edu/callday (Ft. Wayne) and csl.edu/call-day (St. Louis).

Also, St. Louis Seminary requests this specific prayer: “With great confidence in the Holy Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead and who lives in us, we are challenging you to pray that the Lord would bring at least **70 M.Div. students** to Concordia Seminary, St. Louis to begin the 2024 academic year. We have many great programs at the Seminary, but are especially praying for a larger M.Div. class next year. Luther dares us in the Small Catechism to pray boldly to the Father like little children begging their parents for good gifts. Please join us in asking the Lord to send us more students that we might in turn, on behalf of the church, send them to harvest fields across the globe.

Serving Our Lord

		April 21, 2024	April 28, 2024
Musician		Merlin Simon	Diane Streich
Cantor		Dave Workman	Andy Koch
Altar Guild		Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger	Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger
Elder	8:00am	Bill Breitinger	Open
	10:30am	Sam Erdman	Kurt Vallin
Reader	8:00am	Rob Orr	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Keith Prusak	Kurt Vallin
Usher Team	8:00am	Brian Nack	Layne Streich
	10:30am	Terry Stoerzinger	Ben Swenson
Greeter(s)	8:00am	Open	Open
	10:30am	Helen Stoerzinger	Open
Acolyte	8:00am	Sophia Orr, Lily Olander	Isaac Koch
	10:30am	Ethan Swenson, Sean Hakanson	Dana Vallin, Andrew Swenson
Projection	8:00am	Matt Seeman	Chris Martin
	10:30am	Ben Swenson	Ben Swenson
Livestream	8:00am	Don Lee	Jim Nicklas
Coffee Hour	9:15am	LWML	Open



B.R.E.W (Building Relationships, Exploring the Word)

Being a young adult isn't easy – it's a strange, transitory time in your life. It's a time when we need solid friends, personal growth, and God's wisdom more than ever. You will find all those and more through Trinity Lone Oaks young adult ministry because God knows we need it. Check out our B.R.E.W. Young Professions Group (25-35); please get in touch with Christian Larson at (620) 339-1888 to get more information, get connected, and get grounded in Christ. Building Relationships and Exploring the Word – that's what B.R.E.W. is all about.

B.R.E.W. Young Professionals (25-35)

Thursday, April 25 | 7:00pm | TLO

Are you one of many young adults establishing yourself in your career and community? Come every month and meet with others in similar situations for thought-provoking conversation, support, and fellowship.

“Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” Hebrews 10:24-25

COMING UP AT TLO — April 21, 2024 — April 28, 2024		
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER		
Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	12:30-5:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
	6:00pm	Hoops
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible class
Tue	7:00pm	Church Council meeting
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study
	8:15am	Chapel
	4:00pm	Midweek confirmation class
Thur	6:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities
	7:00pm	B.R.E.W. Young Adult ministry
Fri		No school - church office open
	2:00pm	Wedding rehearsal at TLO
Sat	12:30pm	Wedding at TLO
	2:00-8:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER		
Sun	8:00*am	Worship
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	9:15am	Moms in Prayer
	10:30am	Worship
	12:30-5:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
	6:00pm	Hoops
*worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org		



Mini-Course day | Tuesday, May 28 | TLO School

Mini-courses are intended to give students the opportunity to experience and learn things that are different from regular curriculum, including knitting, cooking, woodworking, painting, paper crafts, gardening, outdoor cooking, and many other things! What would you like to 'teach' at TLO May 28? Pick up an orange form in the narthex or the school office for more information and to register.

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: April 14, 2024

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	3,985.00
(Our offering budget is \$8,525 per week)			
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	140.15
(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)			
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	100.00
	Chapel	\$	230.81
	Sunday school	\$	7.47
	Tuition	\$	7,633.26
	Thrivent Choice to Current and Mission	\$	302.00
	Thrivent Choice to 1883 School Annual Fund	\$	1,626.00
	Church and school fees	\$	4,707.01
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	18,731.70
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	235.45
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	N/A
	Young Investors stamps through Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	223.00
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	458.45



Weekly Memory Verse

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. John 14:19



Birthdays this week

April 21 Ken Pieper, Yvonne Roe, Lana Siewert-Olson
 April 22 Ken Kube
 April 23 David Jones
 April 25 Lynn Kroonblawd
 April 26 Samantha Petry, John Rahn
 April 27 Peter Jonas

Anniversaries this week

April 21 Paul and Kim Anderson



Remember in Prayer

Avianna (age 2), niece of Chelsea Cardenas, battling cancer

Dixie Cliff

Jim Kohn's sister-in-law, Gloria, starting chemotherapy and radiation therapy for bile duct cancer

Ed Jones, father of David Jones and Julie Casby, for peace and comfort as he struggles with dementia

Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, continue prayers for resolution of autoimmune liver issues

Liam, friend of Bueckslers, thanksgiving for successful surgery to remove tumors.

Joyce (Kirchner) Moynihan, diagnosed with cancer

Ryan Kroonblawd - 1st year seminarian - Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO

Jill Olson, granddaughter of Roger and Lois Schaaf, undergoing treatment for breast cancer

Sharon Phelps, mom of Cindy Rahn

Verna Ratzlaff recovering at home

Mark Sujanani, son James TLO preschool, prayers for recovery of bypass surgery, due to heart attack

Ron and Denise, close friends of Char Timm. Ron has crushed pelvis and broken femur

and likely will be at St. Mary's Duluth into May.

Former TLO staff member Curt Stoltenow will be starting a 5-week round of radiation treatments

within the month. He and bride Sylvia doing well. Thanks to TLO members for cards and prayers

Stuart Weierke at the Minneapolis VA Home

Laverne and Beverly Ziebell. Karen requests continued prayers for her parents



Thank you

Alfred and Linnea Raveling wish to thank the TLO Congregation for their prayer support since March 5 as great-grandson, Keaton, grew and gained weight. Keaton, who weighed 4# 3oz. at birth, was able to go home from the hospital this past

Thursday—truly an answer to prayer. Additionally, Ravelings are anticipating the baptism of their granddaughter, Natalia, age 2, this Mother's Day—please pray that nothing prevents the baptism from going forward.

Prayer requests: If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office (651-454-7235). TLO prayer chain members and Pastor will include your praises, requests, or thanksgivings in their prayer time. Prayer requests may also be printed in the news and notes for congregational prayer if you wish.



Welcome Guests

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to our pastor, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

For those with small children, a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children's bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

Restrooms are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

Large print copies of the worship folder are available. Please ask an usher.

Today we celebrate Holy Communion. Please speak with our pastor or an elder before communing if this is your first time receiving the Lord's Supper at TLO. The light-colored wine in the center of the individual communion tray is de-alcoholized wine, where the alcohol is reduced to .05%.

Subscribe to TLO's weekly e-newsletter at www.trinityloneoak.org/resources-media-1



Walk for Life

June 1 | 9:30am | Eden Baptist Church

Registration is now open for Amnion Pregnancy Center's annual Walk for Life. Register as an individual, couple or family. We are also looking for Team Captains. Find more information at helpofferhope.org.



SE Suburban LWML Zone Spring Rally

Sat. April 27 | 9:00am | Ascension Lutheran

The topic for this Spring's LWML Rally is "Asylum Seekers in MN: What Neighbors Need to Know." You are welcome to attend even if you are not an LWML member. See the posters around TLO for more info. And, by the way, we're always looking for more women to join the great mission work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). Talk with any of our members (Irlene Schuster, Irma Bjork, Virginia Flo, Andrea Hinrichs) to learn more.