

“Christ is counting on you. He trusts you to carry on his work on earth.”

~Unknown



Sunday, April 19, 2026

Bell Tolling - Welcome to Worship (** = all who are able, please stand*)

Prelude

*Call to Worship

I love the Lord!

Because God has heard me and not ignored my cry.

God has saved my life repeatedly!

So my life belongs to God. I am God's child

happy to sing of God's work in me.

*Hymn of Gathering “To You O God All Creatures Sing”

Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

*Gathering Prayer (unison)

Loving God, you ransomed us from futility with the precious blood of Christ. We can hardly believe how precious we are to you! Holy Spirit, help us to believe this truth fully with our whole life: flesh, bone, and spirit. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace

The Peace, Joy and Love of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Scripture Reading Luke 24: 12-35
 1 Peter 1: 17-23

Children's Moment

Song of Reflection “This is My Father's World” Red Hymnal, #65

Sermon “Faith, God and Love” Pastor Tracey Harris

*Song of Response “For the Beauty of the Earth” Black Hymnal, #28

Offertory

God gave us Christ. Should we hold back anything from God? Christ gave us the Holy Spirit. Should we hold back anything from God? Let us give generously, even giving our own lives, as God has given us everything already. Amen.

Offering Song "Living Hope"

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,

Praise God above, you heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

God of truth and light, we offer you these gifts with humble hearts. We long to share your unmistakable presence with all people. Though we often seek security in possessions, remind us that true assurance comes from life in Christ. Strengthen us to be faithful disciples in all we do. Amen.

Community Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Faith in Action

*Song of Sending "Indescribable"

*Commission and Blessing

Is there any more important news than the fact that Jesus is alive and you have met the Lord? Go and tell everyone. Tell it with your lips and with your heart. Love, forgive, and share as one who is no longer afraid of death.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude

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NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR . . . Connections

COUNTERS . . . Mary Martin and Ruth Nahmensen



Pastor Tracey's Installation
Sunday May 3 @ 3:00 pm

Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall

Please sign up at the Church Office window if you plan to attend

Deadline to register is Sunday, April 26



IF YOU PLAN TO ENTER THE BUILDING OR LET SOMEONE ELSE INTO THE CHURCH be sure to notify Sharon or Pastor Tracey know about it by text, phone call, or email.

Bible Study



Tuesday evening at 7 pm and Wednesday morning at 9 am.

Bible Study is held in the Conference room. Please bring your bibles.



PLACE DONATIONS IN THE WELL OF HOPE OR IN BLACK CONTAINER OUTSIDE OF THE VESTIBULE.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Canned Pineapples
Applesauce
Canned Potatoes
Jelly
Peanut butter

Canned tomatoes
Misc. potatoes (Au Gratin, scalloped, etc.)
Boxed Jello & Pudding
Laundry Soap
Kleenex

CHURCH WORK DAY

Saturday, May 16 ~ 8 am – 12 noon

~ Lunch provided ~

Please sign up on the Church Office window.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY ~ MAY 17

PICNIC @ WAPELHORST PARK @ 10:30 AM/PAVILION #1

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED. NO DONUT HOUR.

MEAT AND DRINKS ARE PROVIDED.

PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH, SALAD OR DESSERT TO SHARE.

A SIGN-UP SHEET IS LOCATED ON THE CHURCH OFFICE WINDOW.

PLEASE BRING SERVING SPOONS FOR YOUR DISH/DESSERT.

PLEASE BRING LAWN CHAIRS

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE BINGO, CORNHOLE, ETC.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO CELEBRATE SUMMER BEGINNINGS.

VBS ~ Rainforest Falls

Monday, July 13 - Thursday, July 18

5:30pm — 8:00 pm

Dinner provided

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Please contact the church office to register no later

than Sunday, May 31 @

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