

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Lord, Give Us Such a Faith as This

April 12, 2026



From the cross Thy wisdom shining
Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;
From the cross forever beameth
All Thy bright redeeming light.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia without end! LSB 578:4 © 1969 CPH

Mount Hope Lutheran Church

Sunday Service - 9:30am

Sunday Bible Study – after Service

Wednesday Bible Study – 10:30am

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Welcome! Members and Guests

We are blessed to have you here today. Please fill out the Guest/Member Attendance Card located in the pew rack in front of you. Guests please include your full address, zip code, and phone number. The cards will be collected by the ushers early in the service. Prayer Requests cards are available in the pew racks and should be handed to the ushers when the attendance cards are collected.

Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which Jesus' body and blood are given in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-30). When we receive the Holy Communion at a church, we are making a public statement that we agree with the teachings of that church (1 Corinthians 10:14-18). The Bible cautions us against receiving the body and blood of Christ in a manner that is spiritually harmful (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Supper those who have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print worship guides are available at the ushers' stand.

Listening Devices

Listening devices are available; our ushers will be glad to assist you in signing one out for today's service.

Pew Cushions

Pew cushions are available; our ushers will be glad to get them for you.

Wheelchair Accessible Seating

Wheelchair seating is located in the fifth row from the front of the church on the left and right side of the center aisle.

Church Nursery

Our Nursery is located in the Parlor, which is the first room next to the stained glass doors. The worship service can be heard in this room. The ushers can direct you to this room.

Our Divine Service, & Bible Studies

Our Divine Service is held on Sundays at 09:30 a.m. Bible Study is held on Sundays after Service and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Our Bible studies are held Sep-May.

Our Vision Statement: Revitalize Within—Reach Out!

PRELUDE
THE RINGING OF THE BELLS
WORDS OF WELCOME
PREPARATION

Pastor: One of the classic Easter songs of the church is the *Victimae Paschali*. Dating back to medieval times, it includes a musical narrative of the resurrection of Jesus. One of the verses begins by addressing Mary, who is a witness to the resurrection, in this way: ***“Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw when wayfaring.”*** And Mary replies confidently: ***“The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus’ resurrection”*** (LSB 460). The vision that Mary had of the divine messenger in a bright garment at the open and empty tomb was a glorious sight. His message, ***“He has risen; He is not here”*** (Mark 16:6), was glorious as well. The season of Easter in the life of the church is a time when the glory of God is celebrated by His faithful people. In his stirring hymn text ***“Thy Strong Word,”*** Dr. Martin Franzmann writes, ***“Glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess”*** (LSB 578:3). Joyfully and confidently we can share the glory of Easter!

(Please Stand)

✠ PREPARATION ✠

HYMN

“Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won” *LSB* 490

Jesus lives

The vict'ry's won

Death no longer can appall me

Jesus lives Death's reign is done

From the grave will Christ recall me

Brighter scenes will then commence

This shall by my confidence

Jesus lives

To Him the throne

High above all things is given

I shall go where He is gone

Live and reign with Him in heaven

God is faithful doubtings hence

This shall be my confidence

Jesus lives

For me He died

Hence will I to Jesus living

Pure in heart and act abide

Praise to Him and glory giving

All I need God will dispense

This shall be my confidence

**Jesus lives
 I know full well
 Nothing me from Him shall sever
 Neither death nor pow'rs of hell
 Part me now from Christ forever
 God will be my sure defense
 This shall be my confidence**

**Jesus lives
 And now is death
 But the gate of life immortal
 This shall calm my trembling breath
 When I pass its gloomy portal
 Faith shall cry as fails each sense
 Jesus in my confidence**

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and
of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Romans 6:9; John 20:29b; Psalm 145:1, 5, 6b

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

**People: Blessed are those who have not seen and yet
have believed. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Pastor: I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your
name forever and ever.

People: On the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works, I will meditate, and I will declare Your greatness.

(Please be seated or kneel, as you are able, for the Confess of Sins and Absolution.)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Micah 6:6–8*

Pastor: Let us come before God in true repentance, seeking forgiveness and amendment of our lives as we follow the Lord.

People: “With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high?”

Women: “Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?”

Men: “Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?”

People: “Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

Pastor: He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

People: Almighty God, we confess that we are indeed sinful. By our very nature we are sinful. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for these our sins. Have mercy on us because of Jesus, our Savior. Grant that, by the working of the Holy Spirit, we may live out our lives on earth faithfully until that time when we,

**by His grace, join the company of heaven
forever.**

ABSOLUTION

Pastor: God has promised forgiveness to those who repent of their sins and turn to Him for grace. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and at His command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. May our gracious God, lead you to greater faith and obedience, and bring you to live with Him eternally in His glory, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

(Please Stand)

✠ WORD ✠

INTROIT *Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3*

Pastor: Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

**People: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name;
make known His deeds among the peoples!**

Pastor: Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works!

**People: Glory in His holy name let the hearts of those
who seek the LORD rejoice!**

Pastor: Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually!

People: Remember the wondrous works that He has done, His miracles, and the judgments He uttered. He remembers His covenant forever, the word that He commanded, for a thousand generations. 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.

Pastor: Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

KYRIE

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: 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.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, we have celebrated the mystery of our Lord's resurrection from the dead. Help us to show the power of His resurrection in all that we say and do; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING *Acts 5:29–42* (The Sermon Text)

But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him." When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and

drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching that the Christ is Jesus.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalm 148*

People: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights!

Women: Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars!

Men: Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

People: Let them praise the name of the LORD! For He commanded and they were created. And He established them forever and ever; He gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Women: Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling His word! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

Men: Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds! Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children!

People: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints, for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the LORD! 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 Peter 1:3–9*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Though you have

not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please Stand)

VERSE *Romans 6:9; John 20:29b*

People: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

People: (sing) Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL *John 20:19–31*

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are

forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.” Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.” Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: (sing) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

PRAYER REQUESTS AND ATTENDANCE CARDS

Please pass your prayer requests and yellow attendance cards to the aisle and the usher will collect them during the singing of the hymn of the day. Guests are to fill out one side of the yellow cards and members the other side.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee” LSB 702

My faith looks up to Thee

Thou Lamb of Calvary

Savior divine

Now hear me while I pray

Take all my guilt away

O let me from this day

Be wholly Thine

May Thy rich grace impart

Strength to my fainting heart

My zeal inspire

As Thou hast died for me

Oh may my love to Thee

Pure warm and changeless be

A living fire

While life's dark maze I tread

And griefs around me spread

Be Thou my guide

Bid darkness turn to day

Wipe sorrow's tears away

Nor let me ever stray

From Thee aside

**When ends life's transient dream
 When death's cold, sullen stream
 Shall over me roll
 Blest Savior then in love
 Fear and distrust remove
 O bear me safe above
 A ransomed soul**

++ SERMON ++

LORD, GIVE US SUCH A FAITH AS THIS

Text: Acts 5:29–42 (The First Reading)

Theme: Such is the power of Christ's resurrection that not shrinking from speaking his name brings a surprising outcome.

Goal: That everyone listening see that shame, tribulations, and even martyrdom can prompt one of the Christian life's greatest blessings: joy from standing up for the Gospel.

(Please Stand)

NICENE CREED

People: 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.

CATECHISM *The First Article*

Pastor: In the First Reading, Luke records that Peter and the apostles spoke plainly of the action of God as they proclaimed the resurrection from the dead of Jesus. They plainly stated **“The God of our fathers raised Jesus. . . . God exalted Him at His right hand as Leader and Savior”** (Acts 5:30–31). The First Article of the Creed is focused on God, our

Creator, from whom our divine Savior, Jesus Christ, was begotten before all worlds.

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: What does this mean? I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

(Please be seated or kneel, as you are able, for the Prayers of the Church)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: In peace let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. For the whole Christian Church, that the peace of God dwell within it and that the Spirit of God work through it, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, grant our petition.

Pastor: For the nations of the world and for the leaders entrusted with their designated responsibilities, that true and lasting tranquility be known around the globe, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, grant our petition.

Pastor: For this present assembly of God's people, that all gathered here dwell together in peace and unity, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, grant our petition.

Pastor: For those who actively keep the peace and bring about security both locally and around the world, including the armed forces of our nation and our local police, firefighters and first responders, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, grant our petition.

Pastor: For those whose lives are in need of a special measure of peace and comfort—the sick and the hospitalized,; those who are experiencing changes and challenges, including the unemployed; those who are relocating to new places and situations and the elderly, as they face each new day as it comes to them; and for our youth—that they be surrounded by our support and our love, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, grant our petition.

Pastor: For all the saints now in the glory of light eternal, Lord, we give You thanks. Bless us by the heritage of faith that they have left to us in our time and build on the legacy they have given us. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and bless us with Your peace. Amen.

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

Pastor: In the Holy Gospel, we heard the account of that moment when Jesus was reunited with His disciples for the first time after His resurrection. John records that His first words to them were **“Peace be with you.”**

As disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ, we have the opportunity to share that special peace that our Lord first shared in the room behind closed doors as we greet one another today.

A greeting of peace may be exchanged.

(Please be seated)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN

“I Love To Tell the Story” TFBF 228 vs 1-3

**I love to tell the story
of unseen things above
Of Jesus and his glory
of Jesus and his love
I love to tell the story
because I know its true
It satisfies my longing
as nothing else would**

**I love to tell the story
I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old,
old story of Jesus and his love**

**I love to tell the story
how pleasant to repeat
What seems each time I tell
it more wonderfully sweet
I love to tell the story
for some have never heard
The message of salvation
from god's own holy word**

**I love to tell the story
I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old,
old story of Jesus and his love**

**I love to tell the story
For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it like the rest
And when, in scenes of glory
I sing the new, new song
I'll sing the old old story
That I have loved so long**

**I love to tell the story
I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old,
old story of Jesus and his love**

(Please Stand)

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE *2 Timothy 4:22*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, whose love daily attends us and whose peace blesses us in countless ways. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we worthily receive the bread and wine, that is the true body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of the full salvation He has won for us. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. Unite us with all who gather with us at Your Table here and with all in Your glorious presence who now feast at Your eternal table in the courts of heaven. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

SANCTUS *(we sing) LSB 195*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory
Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is He, Blessed is He
Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord
Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, who of Your tender love for all people gave Your only Son, Jesus Christ, to take our nature upon Himself and to suffer death on the cross for our redemption. As we celebrate His glorious resurrection, we pray that we be filled with Your heavenly peace and joy; and also that we, in receiving the forgiveness of sins, together with the gifts of life and salvation, know the joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory and at last have our portion with all Your saints in light. To You, O God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—be all honor and glory in Your holy church, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: 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.”**

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.”**

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

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

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and Passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

People: 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.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI (Sung) LSB 198

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of
the world have mercy upon us**
**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of
the world, have mercy upon us**
**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of
the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“Jesus Loves Me” TFBF 249
Jesus loves me!
This I know,
for the Bible tells me so
Little ones to him belong
They are weak but he is strong

**Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes Jesus loves me
The Bible tells me so**

**Jesus loves me!
He who died
heaven's gates to open wide
He will wash away my sin
Let his little child come in**

**Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes Jesus loves me
The Bible tells me so**

**Jesus loves me!
Loves me still
Through I'm very weak and ill
From his shining throne on high
Comes to watch me where I lie**

**Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes Jesus loves me
The Bible tells me so**

**Jesus loves me!
He will stay
Close beside me all the way
When a t last I come to die
He will take me home on high**

**Yes, Jesus loves me
 Yes, Jesus loves me
 Yes Jesus loves me
 The Bible tells me so**

(Please Stand)

THE POST-DISTRIBUTION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus
 strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to
 life everlasting.

People: (spoken) **Amen**

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (we sing) TLH p. 29-30

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant
 depart in peace according to Thy word,
 for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast prepared before the face
 of all people, a light to lighten the
 Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Ghost;
 as it was in the beginning, is now,
 and ever shall be, world without end. Amen**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

Blessed are You, heavenly Father, for You have
 once again fed and nourished us at Your Table
 through the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus
 Christ, our Lord. Strengthen us so that we may
 speak boldly of our faith day by day and in all of

the callings and vocations of our lives proclaim
Your love to all the world. Keep us faithful unto
death and bring us at last to Your eternal
kingdom, where You live and reign with the Son
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

HYMN

“Lift High the Cross” *LSB 837 vs 4-6*

**O Lord once lifted on the glorious tree
As Thou hast promised draw us all to Thee**

**Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name**

**Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell**

**Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name**

**So shall our song of triumph ever be
Praise to the Crucified for victory**

**Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name**

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

(Please be seated for Announcements)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor

Marie Brown, Organist

Dave Brown, Elder & Reader

Gary Mason, Glenn Cairns & Kim Armstrong, Ushers

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office Closed

April 26th – May 3rd

PLEASE NOTE

If you know of any youth that are **not baptized** or **confirmed** in the faith, please encourage them to be here on **Saturdays at 3 pm** for instruction. They are encouraged and urged to attend the 5 pm service, but it is not a requirement, unless required by the parents. The service at 5 pm offers opportunities to ask questions during the service. They are welcome to attend and participate in the Youth Activities on the first Saturday of the month. This class offering at 3 pm on Saturdays, with the exception of the first Saturday of the month will include a walk through the Bible!!

CARE GIVER BURNOUT

Message from the Pastor

If you can spare 2 to 3 hours in a day now and then, to give a caregiver some relief, speak with the Pastor. This gentleman is a member of ours, and his daughter needs some time for rest.

Give Pastor a call if you can help. 734-765-3468

FAVOR REQUESTED BY THE PASTOR OF ALL MEMBERS:

If you have or have had a hymn or particular song that he has missed selecting, please use to back of the Prayer Request card to list those hymns or songs you would like to include in your worship. Use the hymnal, the Lutheran Service Book, or TFBF Hymnal, or the TLH to select from. The Pastor Thanks you in advance!

NOW LIVE ON FACEBOOK!!

The service on Sunday morning is live. Can we encourage all members to sit as close to the front of the church as you feel comfortable?? This would help with the singing, responsive reading, and the feeling of community, the sharing of the peace, etc. This would help all around our worship service. Thank you for your consideration of this request!

May Day Potluck following service

May 3, 2026

Join us in the plans for the 100 ANNIVERSARY celebration!! The Quilters are inviting ALL Current and Past members to come fill out a Quilt Square for out

100th Anniversary Quilt Banner. Please invite and alert anyone who was a member, went to school, or currently a member of the 100 Anniversary in the year 2030, which will be upon us very soon.

Community Service Opportunity

Donations of Cereal boxes for Blessed Hope. Please place them in grey box by mailboxes.

Quilting

Every Thursday from 10am to 2pm

Attendance

Saturday April 4th 5:00pm 0

Sunday April 5th 9:30 am 71

Prayer List If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact Donna McCall at (313) 389-9626. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

Anniversary

Birthdays

For the Shut-Ins

Mack Mayfield, at home

Louis Bigliardi, Assistant Living

Joan Hafkesbrink, at Beaumont Commons

Carmell Faulk, at home

Phyllis Witte, at Aerius Health Center

Lynn Mayfield, at home

Joy Mead, Ashford Court

Bill Switter, at home

For Those Who Are Sick / Healing / Special Circumstances

April Stover, Pneumonia

Survivors of Tornado and Families that lost
loved ones

Dot, Karen Bumgarner's sister, Hospitalized to
be having surgery

The Family of Trisha PinGilley, submitted by
Patricia Gebbink, who was called to glory

Miracle Mott/Myesha Mott, prayer for healing
of her body

Zack Tarcia's Grandparents, grandson of Linda,
were in a car accident.

Donna, Friend of Laurie Piganelli, mass found in
her breast, praying for good results

Armond Kirkland, Friend of Piganelli,
undergoing Chemo

Nancy Dajos, for breathing & weakness

Chevy Pratt, Thankful for successful hand
surgery

Ronald Ladach Jr., son of Frances and father of
Shayla, recuperating from surgery;

Amy Abdo, friend of Piganelli, Corewell health
in Dearborn for major cancer surgery.

Sue Belcastro, Frank Pignanelli's sister, for
upcoming eye surgery

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT MOUNT HOPE

Sunday April 13	9:30am – Worship w/HC Bible Study after Service
Monday April 14	Office Open 9am – 1pm
Tuesday April 15	Office Closed
Wednesday April 16	Office Open 10am – 2pm Bible Study – 10:30am
Thursday April 17	Office Open 10am – 3pm Quilting – 10am
Friday April 18	Office Closed
Saturday April 19	Catechism Instruction 3pm Saturday Night Church 5pm
Sunday April 20	9:30am – Worship w/HC Bible Study after Service