

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
**The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**



**Misericordias Domini**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 14, 2024**

**Divine Service II**

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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**VISITORS WELCOME!** A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. We pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

**PRAYERS OF PREPARATION** are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Elder:** Nate Nevius

**Ushers:** TBD

**Greeter:** Linda Polcin

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Cellist:** Christa Hegland

**Altar Guild:** Diana Dissen & LeAnn Varvil

# I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

LSB 740

## Confession and Absolution

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### +SERVICE OF THE WORD+

#### Introit

Ps. 33:1, 18–20; antiphon: Ps. 33:5b, 6a



The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alle- | luia.\*

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.

**Shout for joy in the LORD, O you | righteous!\***

**Praise befits the | upright.**

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who | fear him,\*

on those who hope in his | steadfast love,

**that he may deliver their | soul from death\***

**and keep them alive in | famine.**

Our soul waits | for the LORD;\*

he is our help | and our shield.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alle- | luia.\*

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.

#### Kyrie

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#### This is the Feast

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#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

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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.

*Sit*

#### Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 34:11–16

<sup>11</sup>“For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my

sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.”

## **The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want**

*LSB 710*

### **Epistle**

*1 Peter 2:21–25*

<sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup>He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. <sup>23</sup>When 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. <sup>24</sup>He 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. <sup>25</sup>For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

*Stand*

### **Alleluia and Verse**

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### **Holy Gospel**

*John 10:11–16*

<sup>11</sup>[Jesus said:] “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>He 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. <sup>13</sup>He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

<sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>And 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.”

*Sit*

**The King of Love My Shepherd Is**

*LSB 709, choir v. 3 & 4*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayer of the Church**

**Offertory - New Testament Canticle**

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*Sit*

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

*Stand*

**Preface**

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**Sanctus**

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Words of Our Lord**

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**Proclamation of Christ**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Pax Domini**

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**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

**Distribution**

***Sheep May Safely Graze***

*Piano and Cello*

**O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe**

*LSB 666*

**Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us**

*LSB 711*

**Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me**

*LSB 683*

**Shepherd of Tender Youth**

*LSB 864*

*Stand*

**Thank the Lord**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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**Benediction**

**The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done**

*LSB 464*

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**V**erbum **D**omini **M**anet in **A**eternum  
**The Word of the Lord endures forever**

**+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Rick Zuehls, Rianon Padro, Exavier Padro, and veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Kathy Krause (niece of Jane Gundlach), Carl Jagow (cousin of Ted Scholz), Betty Nemeth (sister of Mary Jo Jiter), Judy Dissen, Michelle Knull, Diane Ciesielczyk (aunt of Vicky Nelson), Helen Nelson (mother of Kelvin Nelson), Pamela Hammond (daughter of Kathy Knutell), Bob Halvorson (relative of Vicky Nelson), Amy Vallis, Amy Sell (sister of Jeff Vallis), and Susan Sermons (sister of Don Moe).

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 14<sup>th</sup>+**

- ✘ **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES:** There will be no Wednesday Bible studies this week as Pastor will be at a conference out of town. We will resume both morning and evening Bible studies on April 24<sup>th</sup>.
- ✘ **MEETINGS THIS WEEK:** The Parish Planning Committee will meet on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm and the Spiritual Life Council will meet the same evening at 7:00 pm.
- ✘ **GREETING CARDS:** Cards are now located on the counter in the back. Please check out the new shower, wedding, anniversary, and graduation cards. \$2 per card includes envelope. This is a donation to our kitchen fellowship needs. Thanks!

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 4/12:	\$76,526
Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 4/12:	\$66,514
Difference:	-10,012
Restricted contributions YTD as of 4/12:	\$4,538
Mortgage Balance as of 3/18:	\$21,018

**ATTENDANCE 4/7: 115**

**BIRTHDAYS**

4/15 Marlilyn Dissen  
4/16 Bob Hagerman  
Pam Sommer  
4/20 Lesa Roemke

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

4/14 Jeff Zuehls  
4/15 Gail Kulbacki  
Thomas Kochman  
4/19 Jane Gundlach

