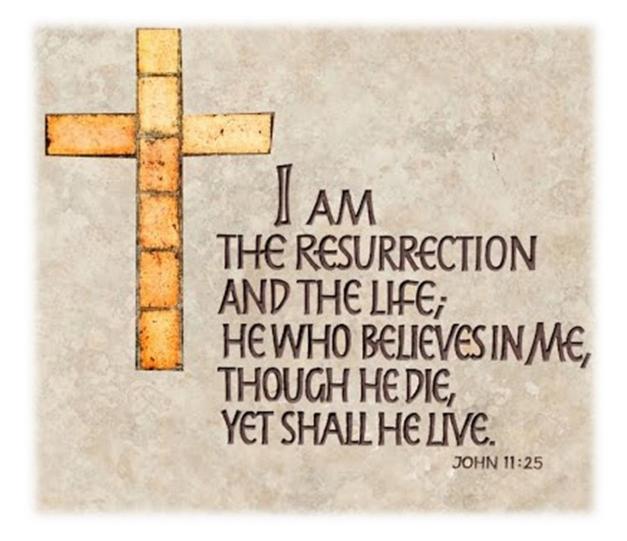
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Sunday, March 26, 2023 The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Service Notes:

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.

- Guests, please sign the guest registry in the narthex.

- If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please talk to him (734-658-5735).

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING HYMN: #434 "Lord, You I Love with All My Heart"

Text: Martin M. Schalling (1532-1608)



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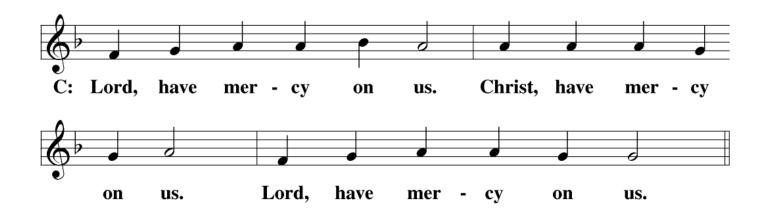
M: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called 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.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever



BE SEATED



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 37:1-14

37 The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ² And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³ And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴ Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵ Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶ And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

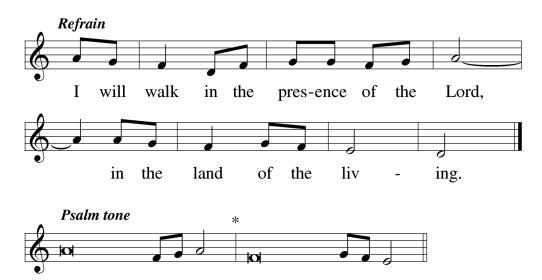
⁷ So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and

the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸ And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰ So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹ Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' ¹² Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 116

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I love the LORD, for he <u>heard</u> my voice;* he heard my cry for <u>mer</u>cy.

Because he turned his <u>ear</u> to me,* I will call on him as long <u>as</u> I live.

The LORD is gracious and <u>righteous</u>;* when I was in great need, he <u>saved</u> me. *Refrain*

For you, O LORD, have delivered my <u>soul</u> from death,* my eyes from tears, my feet from <u>stum</u>bling.

How can I repay the LORD* for all his good<u>ness</u> to me?

I will lift up the cup of sal<u>va</u>tion* and call on the name <u>of</u> the LORD.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men. *Refrain*

SECOND LESSON: Romans 8:11-19

8¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

¹² So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the choir)

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:45) **STAND**

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



GOSPEL: John 11:17-27, 38-45

¹⁷ Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸ Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother.²⁰ So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house.²¹ Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.²² But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." ²³ Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."24 Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷ She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

³⁸ Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³ When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." ⁴⁴ The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

⁴⁵ Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him.



NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen. BE SEATED

GOSPEL RESPONSE: "Martha, Mary, Waiting, Weeping"

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Martha, Mary, waiting, weeping, bowed beneath the weight of gloom, Kept their watch where Lazarus, sleeping, lay within a rock-sealed tomb. Jesus, late in coming, met them, shed with them compassion's tear. Martha, sore with sorrow, charged him, "He'd have lived had you been here!"

Jesus spoke to Martha's grieving, "Resurrection, Life, am I! All who hear my Word, believing, live with me, although they die. Then to Lazarus' tomb he led them, called their brother forth by name. Living, loving, hope exceeding, freed from death, to Christ he came.

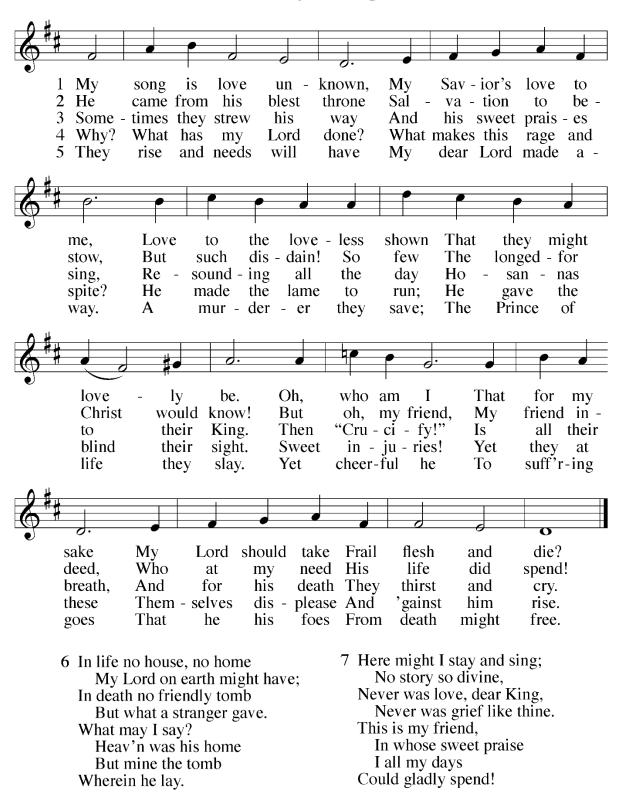
Jesus, resurrected, giving life to all you name your own: Help us know in hours of grieving we have not been left alone. Come, when doubt and fear assail us; join our journey toward the grave. Then your mercy will not fail us; there you speak with power to save.

HYMN OF THE DAY: #110 "My Song is Love Unknown"

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My Song Is Love Unknown



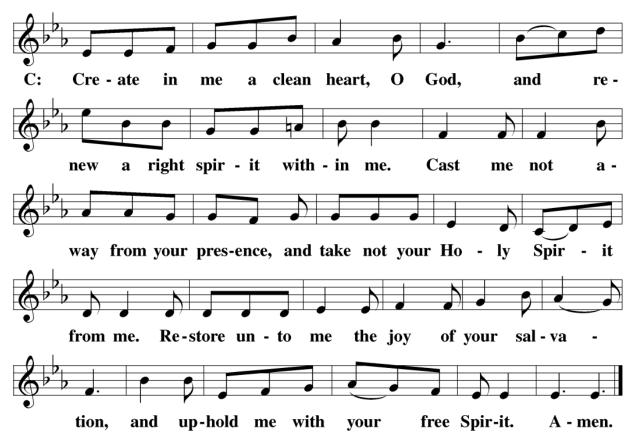
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SERMON

STAND

PSALM 51 RESPONSE



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SEASON OF LENT

M: Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

C: We confess that without your love we are lost.

- M: Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.
- C: Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.

- M: Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.
- C: By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.
- M: Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.
- C: Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.
- M: Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.
- C: Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.* **M:** Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

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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.

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Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.

NOTE: Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.

STAND



PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

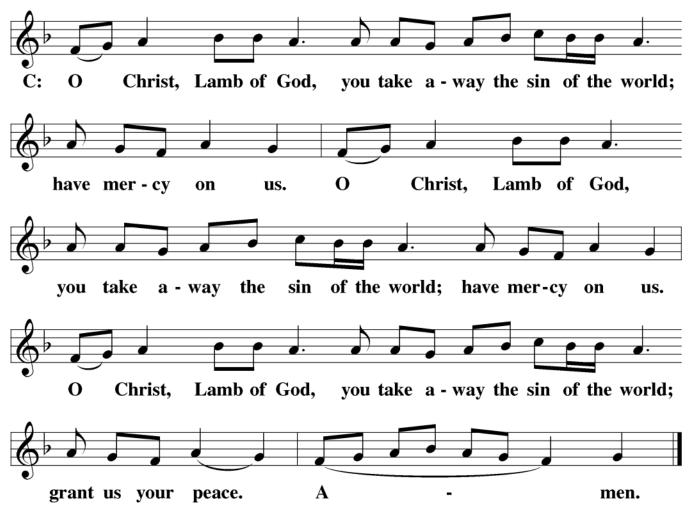
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament

in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)





DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

#605 "Asleep in Jesus! Blessed Sleep" Text: Margaret Mackay (1802-1887) #608 "I Fall Asleep in Jesus' Wounds" Text: Paul Eber (1511-1569)

DEATH AND BURIAL

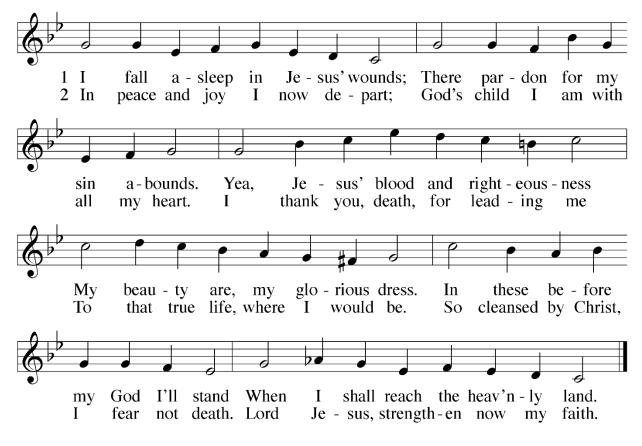
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Text: Margaret Mackay, 1802–87, abr.

Tune: REST (LM) William B. Bradbury, 1816-68.

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I Fall Asleep in Jesus' Wounds



Text: attr. Paul Eber, 1511–69; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: VATER UNSER IM HIMMELREICH, DER DU (88 88 88) attr. Martin Luther, 1483–1546.

THANKSGIVING (page 24)

STAND SONG OF SIMEON (Nunc dimittis)



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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Organist: Jan Jacobi; Choir: Senior Choir

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today	- 9:30 AM Divine Service - 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
Tuesday	- 7:00 PM Board of Elders Meeting
Wednesday	- 9:30 AM Bible Class
-	 6:00 PM Lenten Meal in church basement
	 7:00 PM Lenten Vespers Service
Thursday	-7:00 PM Senior Choir rehearsal
Sunday	 - 9:30 AM Palm Sunday Divine Service -10:45 AM Preschool reception in gymnasium

Serving next week Sunday (4/2): Altar Guild – Jan Jacobi Ushering – Wednesday (3/29) Team 2; Sunday (4/2) Team 3

Altar Flowers are donated to the glory of God.

Easter Flower Order Forms are available in the narthex. Details are printed on the green forms. Please submit all orders by **Sunday, April 2.**

Mite Boxes are due **today**, Sunday, March 26. Please deposit them in the large Mite Box in the narthex. If you choose to write a check, please make it out to **St Peters Lutheran Ladies Guild**. The **Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Fall Rally** is Saturday, April 29 at Ascension, Macomb. Registration begins at 9am. The speaker is Pastoral Studies Institute student, Haris, from South Asia. Save the date!

2023 LENTEN SERIES: Repent and Turn to Jesus

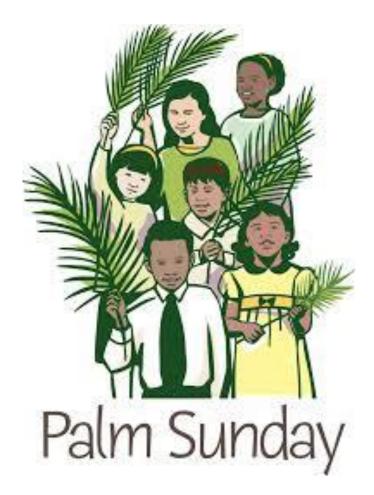
DATE	SERVICE THEME	SERMON TEXT	OFFICIANT
March 29	Repent: Turn to Jesus When You Face	Mark 14:32-38	Pastor
	Temptation		Schroeder
Maundy	Repent: Turn to Jesus and Receive a	1 Corinthians	Pastor
Thursday	Special Assurance of Your Forgiveness	11:23-28	Schaefer
Good	Repent: Turn to Jesus; He and He	John 19:17-30	Pastor
Friday	Alone Finished Your Salvation		Schaefer
Easter	Repent: Turn to Jesus for Resurrection	Luke 24:1-8	Pastor
Sunday	and Life		Schaefer

Serving during Holy Week:

Date	Altar Guild	Ushering
April 2 (Palm Sunday)	Jan Jacobi	3
April 6 (Maundy	Arlette Stobbe	4
Thursday		
April 7 (Good Friday	No communion	1
April 8 (Easter Vigil)	Jan Jacobi	2
April 9 (Easter sunrise)	Margaret Seppanen	3
April 9 (Easter festival)	Margaret Seppanen	4

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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Please join the preschoolers in glorifying God through their processional songs.

Divine Service April 2 9:30 a.m.

Reception afterwards