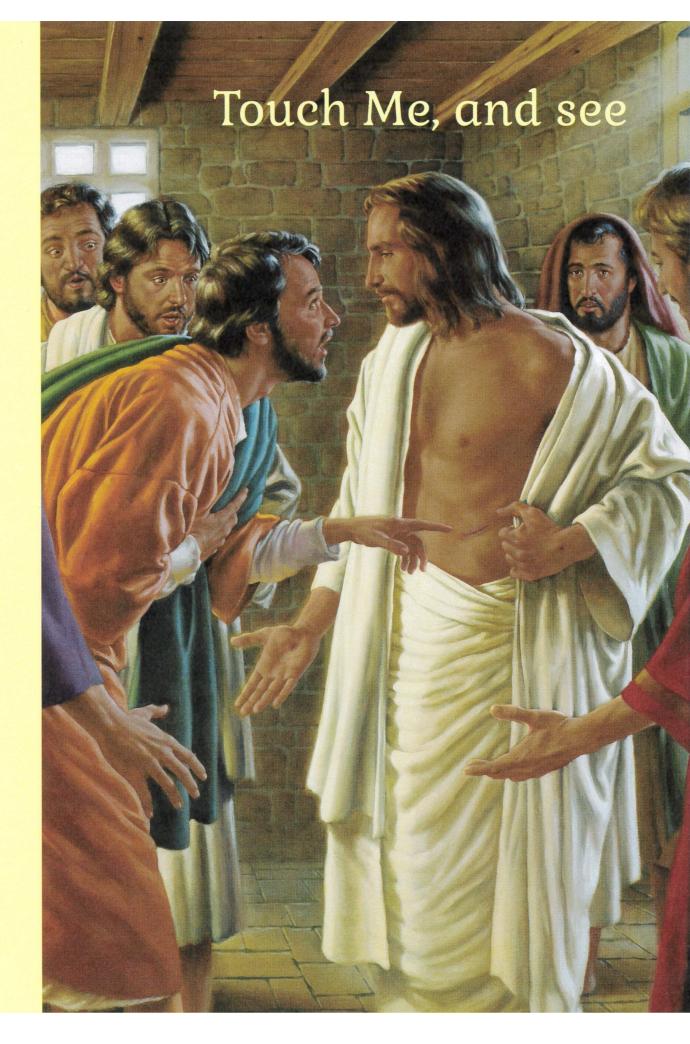
Lord of Life Lutheran Church Plano, Texas



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Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

† reaching up to God in worship and prayer,

† reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &

† reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

A Prayer before Worship

We are weak and sick, O Father, and the temptations of the flesh and the world are great and many. O Father, keep us, and let us not fall again into temptation and sin. Give us grace that we may remain steadfast and fight bravely to the end. Without your grace and help we can do nothing, Amen.

(M. Luther, 1483-1546)

Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

Nursery/Cry Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed until further notice. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

For Those Desiring Holy Communion, Please Read:

"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." 1Corinthians 11:27-29

Being admonished to receive Christ's Body and Blood in a worthy manner, let us prepare our hearts for reception of this sacrament by privately answering the following:

- 1. Do I believe that I am a sinful person without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ?
- 2. Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my Savior?
- 3. Do I believe that He is present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion with His Body and Blood?
- 4. Do I hope by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a godly life?

AS YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, that you believe His Body and Blood are present, and that you desire to serve Him as a disciple in the fellowship of His church. If you are not an active member of an LCMS congregation, please speak with the Pastor before communing.

Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM Divine Service IV – *LSB 203*

Prelude

Stand

Entrance Hymn

"How Could I Stand, If Not for Christ" *Katherine Dubke****



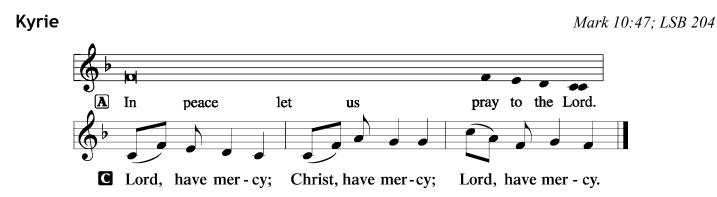
	n, Confession, and Absolution LSB 203	
The sign of t	he cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism. Matthew 28-19b, [18:20]	
P	In the name of the Father and of the +H Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.	
	Psalm 124:8	
P	Our help is in the name of the Lord,	
С	who made heaven and earth.	
	Psalm 130:3-4	
P	If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?	
С	But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.	
P	[Luke 18:13] Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.	
C	Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.	
P	[John 20:19-23] Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.	

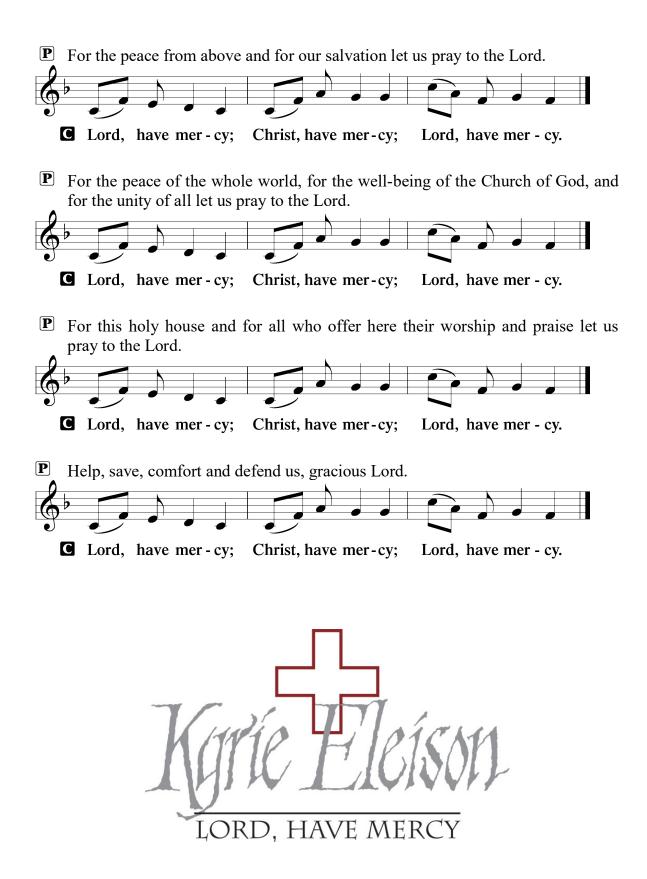
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C Amen.
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+++Service of the Word+++







Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22; LSB 205

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

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading

¹¹While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. ¹²And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

¹⁷"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, ²⁰that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

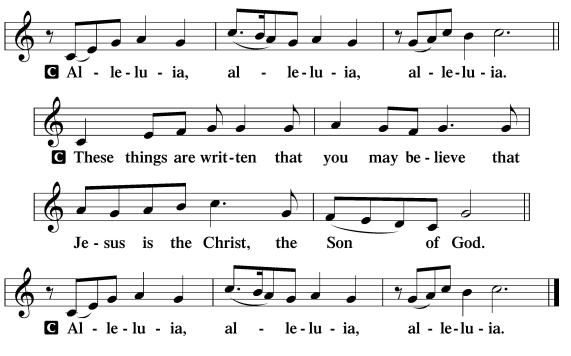
⁴Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

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

1 John 3:1-7

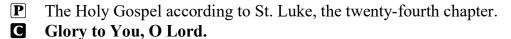


Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36–49



³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate before them.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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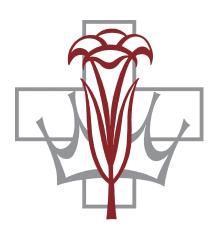
Nicene Creed

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 + of the world to come. Amen.





Hymn of the Day

"With High Delight Let Us Unite" LSB 483

1 With high de-light Let songs of great u - nite In us 2 True God, He first From death Forth in - to life. has burst prais-es ring; Give thanks, and bring Christ our Lord 3 Let То ju - bi - la tion. Ye pure in heart, All bear your part, His Doth van-quished lie; all sub-du ing. en - e - my ad - o - ra tion. His hon-or speed By word and deed _ σ Sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va tion. То set us "And yours shall His death has been death's un-do ing. То ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry shall His na tion. So free For - ev - er. ris'n and То all earth's He Is sends O'er death and grave," Like vic - to - ry Saith be He, who a - bove, love Give us From mis - er And death set _ У $\overline{}$ ends Good news save ev - 'ry tion. to na His gave life for us, life re - new ing. All full free, and con - so - la tion. joy

Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Sit

(Ordinarily, this is the time to collect our offerings. As we are forgoing passing a plate, an offering plate has been placed at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also mail your offerings or contribute online from our website's "Giving" link.)

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+++Service of the Sacrament+++

Stand

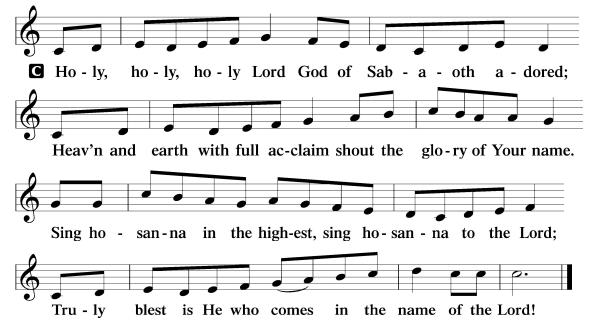
Preface

LSB 208 2 Timothy 4:22, [Colossians 3:1], [Psalm 136]

- **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.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

 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.

The Words of Our Lord

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

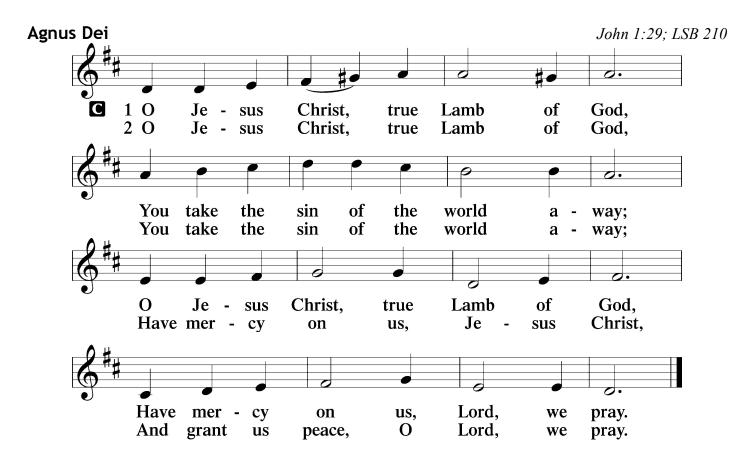
- Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when 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."

Pax Domini

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

John 20:19





Distribution

Communicants are asked to hold forth their open hand to receive the bread so the elder may discern who is confirmed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center circle of individual cups for those who prefer it.

God Loves Me Dearly

Stand

LSB 392

Nunc Dimittis ~ Song of Simeon



Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

С Amen.

Benedicamus

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

[Psalm 103:1]

Numbers 6:24–26

Benediction

P 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.

C Amen.

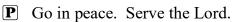
Closing Hymn

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" LSB 700 sts. 1–2, 4



Announcements

Dismissal



C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*****Katherine Dubke** was commissioned by Lord of Life in 2017 to write a hymn for us in honor of the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther posting his 95 Theses. Today is the 500th anniversary of Luther's Confession at the Diet of Worms. Dubke crafted the words to "How Could I Stand, If Not for Christ" and we sing it this morning to the tune of *Es Ist Gewisslich*.

Sunday School - Children K - 5th Grade

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K - 5th graders from Room 113.

Jr. & Sr. IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet at 9:30 am with Scott Peters in Room 122 and on zoom. They are doing a character study on *Your Unshakable Identity in Christ*.

Adult Bible Class

Adult Bible Class, led by Pastor Shaltanis, meets in the Sanctuary at 9:30ish. This study is over the book of Mark.

Adult Instruction Class

New member adult instruction/confirmation class will be meeting on Sunday afternoons. If you would like a refresher or know someone who is interested in learning more about Lutheran beliefs, please join us this afternoon at 1:00 pm.

Midweek Bible Study Beginning April 21

Please join us at 10 AM Wednesday, April 21 when we start back up our Midweek Bible Study.

Running to Lexington

At the next LWML convention, June 24–27, 2021, in Lexington, Kentucky, attendees will hear how mites are being used to support mission grants. Kimberly Thrombley, Vice President of Religious Life and Church Relations at Bethesda will share her thanks for the grant supporting their ministry. We'll be "Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus."

Life Thoughts in the Church Year

"Repentance and forgiveness should be proclaimed in His name to all" (Luke 24:47). We should proclaim repentance and forgiveness even unto those who promote or take part in sins against the

sanctity of life. If God blots out our guilt for killing the Author of life (Acts 3:15, 19), will He not do so for those who have had a hand in abortions?

This week on KFUO.org

Renew, resume, or begin your partnership with KFUO Radio during Sharathon 2021 on April 22-24. We rely on support from our faithful listeners like you in order to continue to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the globe. Give now at <u>kfuo.org/sharathon</u>!



Luther's Seal

"Grace and peace from the Lord. As you desire to know whether my painted seal, which you sent to me, has hit the mark, I shall answer most amiably and tell you my original thoughts and reason about why my seal is a symbol of my theology. The first should be a black cross in a heart, which retains its natural color, so that I myself would be reminded that faith in the Crucified saves us. 'For one who believes from the heart will be justified' (Romans 10:10). Although it is indeed a black cross, which mortifies and which should also cause pain, it leaves the heart in its natural color. It does not corrupt nature, that is, it does not kill but keeps alive. 'The just shall live by faith' (Romans 1:17) but by faith in the Crucified. Such a heart should stand in the middle of a white rose, to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace. In other words, it places the believer into a white, joyous rose, for this faith does not give peace and joy like the world gives (John 14:27). That is why the rose should be white and not red, for white is the color of the spirits and the angels (cf. Matthew 28:3; John 20:12). Such a rose should stand in a sky-blue field, symbolizing that such joy in spirit and faith is a beginning of the heavenly future joy, which begins already, but is grasped in hope, not yet revealed. And around this field is a golden ring, symbolizing that such blessedness in Heaven lasts forever and has not end. Such blessedness is exquisite, beyond all joy and goods, just as gold is the most valuable, most precious and best metal.

May Christ, our beloved Lord, be with your spirit until the life hereafter. Amen."

Luther interprets his seal in a July 8, 1530 letter to Lazarus Spengler.



The word for God's proper name is sometimes referred to as the Tetragrammaton, which literally means "four letters." Those four letters in Hebrew, are seen above with English equivalents underneath. The Hebrew language is read from right to left, thus, writing the four letters in English, we use YHWH. Ancient Hebrew also only consisted of consonants, hence the awkward spelling YHWH without any vowels.

God's personal name can be pronounced several ways, and at one time it was thought to be Jehovah but today most scholars agree it was likely pronounced: Yahweh. But why the confusion about pronunciation and assuming we now have the correct one, why don't we normally say the name Yahweh in church or read it in Bible translations? Because it fell out of use, is not found in the New Testament, and Jesus Himself, very likely did not use the name.

The name fell out of use shortly before the time of Christ. Not wanting to violate the commandment against misusing God's name, beginning around the 2^{nd} Century BC, Jews commonly did not speak God's personal name. By the time the temple was destroyed in 70 AD, using God's proper name was strictly forbidden, even unheard of. Thus, throughout the ministry of Jesus and the time when the New Testament was written, God's personal name was not spoken. Instead, Jews would say "Adonai" which means, "My Lord". Accordingly, the NT, which was written in Greek, uses the term κύριος (kurios) or, Lord. And the ancient Greek translation of the Old Testament, the Septuagint, also uses Kurios for God's personal name.

God's personal name occurs over 6,000 times in the Hebrew Bible, and the vast majority of English Bibles today translate it as LORD, using all caps, or small caps, LORD. This distinguishes the Tetragrammaton from the more general term Adonai, which is translated Lord. A few English Bibles today use the word Yahweh, just as the old KJV used Jehovah in a handful of passages, for example, in Psalm 83:18 **"That men may know that thou, whose name alone is Jehovah, art the most high over all the earth."** And in Exodus 6:3 **"And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name Jehovah was I not known to them."**

Serving Our Worship Today:			
Pastor: Organist: Altar Guild:	Lynda Abbott, Nancy Cawoo	Pastor Joel Shaltanis Victoria Frinsko od, Laurie George, Nelda Schrank	
Elder: Ushers:		Tom Read Don Bunger, Stephen Strecker	
This Week at Lord of Life-Today, April 18, 2021 Next Sunday's Readings			
8:00 am	Early Worship Service	April 25, 2021	
9:30 am	Children's Sunday School (K-5 th Gr, Room 113)	First Reading: Acts 4:1–12	
	Jr. & Sr. IMPACT Class (Room 122) Adult Bible Class (Sanctuary)	Epistle: 1 John 3:16–24	
10:45 am	Late Worship Service	Gospel: John 10:11–18	
Wednesday, Apr	il 21		
10:00 am	Midweek Bible Study		
Altar Flowers			
The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Charles and Lynda Abbott in celebration of Lynda's 80 th birthday on 4/19; and by the Elders.			



About the Cover: The risen Jesus came before fear-filled disciples to bring peace through the reality of His bodily resurrection. The Jesus who lives is the same Jesus who was crucified. Those marks remain today and remind us of what He endured and triumphed over for us. His wounds are marks of His glory and love and reminders of the price He paid to redeem sinners. So He speaks these same words to us: "Peace to you."