

The Fourth Sunday of Easter + May 15, 2011 AD + 9:00 AM

“Sheep with a Shepherd”



A Prayer Upon Entering Church

O Good Shepherd, show me the place of pasture, make known to me the waters of rest, lead me out to the good grass, call me by name that I, your sheep, may listen to your voice and may your call be the gif of eternal life. Amen

~ *Gregory of Nyssa, 381 A.D.*

Welcome. After the Resurrection, the risen Lord shepherded His Church through the teaching of the apostles and the breaking of the bread. Today, Zion’s confirmands confess their faith in the apostles’ teaching as we gather again at the Lord’s table. The risen Lord continues His ministry, now and into the ages.

Parents: Children are welcome at our services. For parents who desire it, a nursery with an attendant is downstairs.

PRELUDE

“My Shepherd, You Supply My Need”

... Hobby

RINGING OF THE BELLS

Please stand and turn to face the back of the nave.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!” green hymnal #144

GREETING

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray . . . 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, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

⁴²And [the believers] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHORAL RESPONSE

“The Lord’s My Shepherd”

Text: The Psalms of David in Meeter, Edinburgh, 1650

Tune: William Gardiner

SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 2:19-25

¹⁹For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When 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. ²⁴He 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. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

VERSE

Choir: Alleluia. Christ being raised from the dead will die no more; death has no more dominion over him. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.



¹[Jesus said,] “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ²But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷So Jesus again said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.

From a confirmation sermon: "To promise to hold fast is to confess that left to yourselves you would collapse, that you cannot stand in your own strength, and that the strength and meaning of your lives are outside of yourselves. We find no solid foundation on which to plan and build our lives in ourselves. We must have that solid something outside ourselves onto which we can hold with certainty"

¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

During the hymn, the children may proceed to their classes: pre-K through grade 4 to the church hall, and grades 5 & 6 to the conference room by the church office. Please reclaim your children after the divine service.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" green hymnal #456

SERMON "Sheep with a Shepherd"

HYMN "Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove"

**Come, gracious Spirit, heav'nly dove,
With light and comfort from above.
Come, be our guardian and our guide;
O'er ev'ry thought and step preside.**

**The light of truth to us display,
And make us know and choose your way;
Plant holy fear in ev'ry heart
That we from God may ne'er depart.**

**Lead us to heav'n that we may share
Fullness of joy forever there;
Lead us to our eternal rest,
To be with God forever blest.**

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

P: Beloved in the Lord: our Lord Jesus Christ said to his apostles, "All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the

end of the age.” In accordance with our Lord’s bidding, you have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith. Jesus said, “Whoever confesses me before men, I will confess before my Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies before men, I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven.” Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

P: Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

Confirmands: I do.

P: Do you renounce the devil?

Confirmands: Yes, I renounce him.

P: Do you renounce all his works?

Confirmands: Yes, I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce all his ways?

Confirmands: Yes, I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

Confirmands: Yes, I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

Confirmands: Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Confirmands: Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

P: Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?

Confirmands: I do.

. . . . Hold fast that which you have, that is, let faith be firm. How is faith made firm and strong? Faith was created in you by the power of the Holy Spirit in the Word with the water in Baptism. It is the same Word that preserves and strengthens faith. For in that Word there is Jesus and the truth of God for you. If you are to hold fast, you must stay close by the Word of God

... The Word of God is the means the Holy Spirit uses to create and confirm faith. Therefore, let your hearts be stored with its precious truths, that, strong in faith, you may make a worthwhile job of your lives; that your lives have their significance, strength and achievements according to the plan of God, so you may hear at the end, 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant.'"
~ Norman Nagel, 1951 A.D.

P: Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

Confirmands: I do.

P: Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

Confirmands: I do, by the grace of God.

P: Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

Confirmands: I do, by the grace of God.

P: Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

Confirmands: I do, by the grace of God.

The confirmands kneel. The pastor places his hands on the head of each confirmand and traces the sign of the holy cross. Afterwards, he reads each confirmand's confirmation verse.

P: _____, may the almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with his grace to life ✠ everlasting.

All: Amen

Please stand.

P: Almighty and most merciful Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism you have united your children in the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, cleansing them by his blood. Renew in them the gift of your Holy Spirit, that they may live in daily repentance with a faith that ever clings to their Savior. Deliver them from the power of Satan and preserve them from false and dangerous doctrines, that they may remain faithful in hearing Christ's Word and receiving his body and blood. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, they may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen

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

All: Amen

PRAYERS

P: Standing in the glorious light of the resurrection, let us pray.

P: . . . O Lord of life,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Hear our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Savior.

C: Amen

Please be seated.

OFFERING

*While the offerings are received, please pass in your row the **Friendship Register**, and add your name(s). If you are a guest or visitor, please include your address.*

VOLUNTARY

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

... Wyton

Please stand.

OFFERTORY “He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!”

**He is arisen! Glorious Word!
Now reconciled is God, my Lord;
The gates of heav’n are open.
My Jesus rose triumphantly,
And Satan’s arrows broken lie,
Destroyed hell’s fiercest weapon.
Oh, hear, what cheer!
Christ victorious, Rising glorious, Life is giving.
He was dead, but now is living!**

P: Let us pray . . . Living God,

C: in Christ you will raise us up from death to eternal life. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in His body and blood. Amen

The church is a sacramental mystery. You taste bread, but you eat the body of Christ. When you look at the church, you see ordinary people who have all the weaknesses and foibles of other human beings. However, the Scriptures speak of her as the holy and pure bride who is presented to Christ without spot or blemish . . .

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



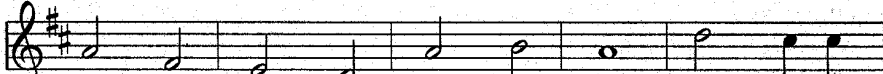
☐ We lift them to the Lord.

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



☐ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



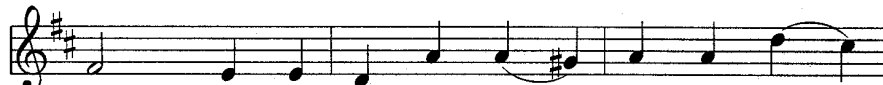
☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name



of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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

P: This is the feast of victory for our God.

C: Alleluia!

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION "Christ Is Arisen"



Christ is a - ris - en From the grave's dark pris - on.




We now re - joice with glad - ness; Christ will end all sad - ness.



Lord, have mer - cy. All our hopes were end - ed



Had Je - sus not as - cend - ed From the grave tri - um-phant-ly.



For this, Lord Christ, we wor-ship Thee. Lord, have mer - cy.



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu' - jah!

... [One must] see through the outward forms to behold this mystery of holy saints who are so precious in the sight of God that He offered up the life of His Son in their stead. Faith not only involves how we regard God, but how we regard other people.
~ David Scaer, 1987 A.D.

Hal - le - lu - jah! We now re - jice with glad - ness;
 Christ will end all sad - ness. Lord, have mer - cy.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION HYMNS

- “Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing” green hymnal #196
- “O Christ, Our Hope” green hymnal #300

Please stand after all have received the sacrament.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

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.

A - men

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Alleluia!

C: Christ is risen. Alleluia!

Please turn towards the cross as it is carried out of the sanctuary.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

- “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” green hymnal #487

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

“Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands”

... J. S. Bach

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+ **Soli Deo Gloria** +
Only To God Be Glory

**A Prayer
Upon
Leaving
Church**

Lord Jesus Christ, shepherd of your Church, you give us new birth in the waters of Baptism; you anoint us with oil, and call us to salvation at your table. Lead your people along safe paths, that they may rest securely in you and dwell in the house of the Lord now and forever, for your name’s sake.
Amen

✠ **HOLY COMMUNION** ✠

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Zion in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord therefore invites to His altar baptized Christians who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Children may receive the sacrament after completing first communion class. Zion holds this class at the end of the child's 4th grade year.

Distribution: You may receive the Supper at either the altar rail or the chapel. To commune at the chapel, please proceed down the center aisle with the other communicants, and inform the usher at the front pew that you desire to commune at the chapel.

Communion Cards: Both members and visitors are asked to use a "Communion Registration" card. This enables our pastors to provide ministry and personal attention within the Zion family. When visitors include a church name and city.

Today's Participants:

Presiding Pastor: Rev. Ted Gulhaugen

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Steven Gjerde

Organist: Virginia Giese

Choir: Zion Kantorei

Lector: Richard Kirshy

Radio Announcer: Dick Ames

Elder: Marlene Kroening

Ushers: Marty Dettmering

Rita Falk

Mark and Shelley Gehrke

Grace Mueller

Acolytes: Natasha Clark

Jake Kaczmarowski

Logan Nelson

Communion Assistants:

Kathy LaPorte

Tom Olson

Altar Guild: Erma Singstock

Bonnie Waack

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Sharing God's Blessings

- Sunday's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Don and Karen Grade in loving memory of their dear friend, Kathe Koschmann, who died April 17.
- The flowers at the altar are sponsored in memory of Laurin Jehn, who died May 18, 2010, from the family.
- Sunday's bulletins are sponsored in memory of Laurin Jehn, who died May 18, 2010, from his wife, Marion and family.

Baptism

Avianna Rae Martinez-Layman, daughter of Emily Layman and John Martinez, will be baptized on Sunday, May 15 at the 11:00 a.m. service.

Bible Study in the Church Hall

- Sunday, 10:15 a.m., The Resurrection Life: A Study in Acts
- Tuesday, 9:00 a.m., Matthew 8:5
- Thursday, 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast; Ezekiel 18:1

Midweek Worship

10:00 a.m. Matins and 6:30 p.m. Vespers

Worship Notes: The Laying on of Hands

At this weekend's confirmation service, the pastors will place their hands on each confirmand's head and pray for the Holy Spirit. This liturgical act stems from the time of the apostles, and it is also used at ordination, healing services, and Baptism. It signifies for us that the Holy Spirit, the Giver of life, is given through the Church and her ministry.

Confirmation

This Sunday, May 15 at the 9 a.m. service, eight of Zion's youth will be confirmed: Mitchell David Kaczmarowski, Clark Charles Kittel, Savanna Louise Kufahl, Isaac Michael McQuay, Megan Nicole Niemuth, Benjamin Jacob Schubring, Hunter Herman Thorn, and Dylan James Vaughn.

Stained Glass Windows

The windows on the lectern side of church, the third from the chancel depict Confirmation: the sword of the Spirit which is the Word; the shield of faith which subdues the fiery darts of wickedness; and the helmet of salvation.

Organ Concert Series

Fredrick Bahr, Tonal Director of Kegg Pipe Organ Builders, will be the third guest artist in Zion's Organ Concert Series this Sunday, May 15 at 3:00 p.m. A reception will follow the concert. Free-will donation.

Reception in Church Hall

Sunday, May 22 will be the last Sunday School class until the fall. Following the 9 a.m. church service, Zion's Learning Team will sponsor a reception in the church hall to recognize the teachers and helpers. Please join us in thanking all the volunteers who have worked with Zion's children the past year.

Thank You

... to all who attended the Salad Buffet. We had good food and fellowship and a sell-out crowd. Special thanks to Cambria from Cold-water Creek and the models who presented the Fashion Show. Funds raised will be supplemented by Thrivent Financial.

Thank You

... from Ladies Aid to all who helped on Friday and Saturday, and who donated items for our Spring Rummage Sale. We made \$764.85 after expenses.

We will decide how to distribute the money at our next meeting. Thank you again. We couldn't do it without all your help.

Young at Heart

... meets on Wednesday, May 25 at 1:30 p.m. in the church hall. All adult seniors age 60+ are welcome to attend.

A Reminder for Sunday School Teachers, Students, and Parents

The **last** Sunday School class will be on May 22 (this is a change from previous announcements). On that day, there will be a **reception** in the church hall to honor the teachers. A very good year will conclude with a **picnic** at 12 noon for teachers, students, and parents at Marathon Park, Shelter #2. Mark this date on your calendars and plan to join us!

First Communion Class

... for children in the 4th grade continues every Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. through May 18, with the children receiving First Communion at the 9:00 a.m. service on Sunday, May 22. This class is required for a child to participate in the Sacrament.

Zion's Devotional Society

Join Coram Deo, a group of Zion members walking a common path of prayer and Bible reading! For more information, call the church office.

May Missions of Zion

- **Women's Community, Wausau: \$1,000 goal**
- **Novosaratovka Lutheran Seminary: \$1,000 goal**
- **Lutheran Campus Ministries: \$1,000 goal**

We have three mission emphases this month, and will focus on one of the missions in this week's bulletin.

Women's Community: The services provided by the Women's Community include: 24-hour support hotline; emergency safe shelter; legal advocacy and personal advocacy; 8 different support groups; crime victim compensation assistance; community education and prevention; transitional living program. See the May newsletter for more information. Please help through your prayers and financial gifts to meet their needs. Zion's mission goal is \$1,000.00.

2011 Vacation Bible School

"Inside Out & Upside Down on Main Street" is the theme of the 2011 Vacation Bible School, for children age 4 to 4th grade, held from July 25-29 at St. Michael Catholic Church. The VBS will run from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon daily. You may obtain registration information from the church office for your children, or your grandchildren or any of their friends. Return the registration forms to the church office. **Also, if you are interested in helping out with VBS, call Leann at 715-842-1810.** Make use of this opportunity to encourage your children's faith!

Volunteers Needed

Rainbow's End Summer Camp has 11 special needs children on their waiting list for a weeklong summer camp experience in Wausau the weeks of July 18-22 and July 25-29. Volunteers must be 14 or older and receive special training. Sponsored by Aspirus Wausau Hospital, community organizations, and individuals. Call Renee at 715-355-5701 for more information and to volunteer.

THIS WEEK AT ZION

May 14—22, 2011

- Sat. 5:15 pm Communion Service
- Sun. **EASTER 4; GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY**
9:00 am Communion Service / Confirmation /
broadcast on WSAU Radio
9:15 am Sunday School
10:15 am Bible Study
11:00 am Communion Service
3:00 pm Fredrick Bahr Organ Concert in nave
- Tues. 9:00 am Adult Bible Study
10:30 am Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Child Care Team
7:00 pm Church Council
- Weds. 10:00 am Matins Service
12:00 pm Staff Luncheon in church hall
6:30 pm Vespers Service
7:15 pm First Communion Class
- Thurs. 7:00 am Men's Bible Class
6:30 pm Zion Choir Rehearsal
- Sat. Thrivent—Brewers Baseball Game in Milwaukee
5:15 pm Communion Service
- Sun. **EASTER 5**
9:00 am Communion Service / First Communion /
broadcast on WSAU Radio
9:15 am Sunday School
10:15 am Bible Study / Reception for Sunday School Teachers
11:00 am Communion Service
12:00 pm Sunday School Picnic at Marathon Park

ATTENDANCE: 5/7, 8 & 11:

<u>Saturday 5:15 pm:</u>	66
<u>Sunday:</u>	
9:00 am	195
11:00 am	61
<u>Wednesday:</u>	
10:00 am	<u>8</u>
Total:	330

**Attention
all 2011
Graduates**

We want to know about you! Call the church office, 715-848-7286, and let us know when you are graduating, where you are graduating from (i.e., high school, college, tech school, nursing school, etc.), and what your plans are post-graduation. We would like to list the graduates in Zion's June newsletter. Please respond by May 23.

**Every
Sunday**

The Wausau Daily Herald may be purchased in the narthex or near the church office to benefit Zion youth.

Zion Lutheran Church

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Those who trust in the Lord shall be like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever. (Psalm 125:1)

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