April 7, 2024

This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24

Prelude

The Wonderful Cross

Reeves, Tomlin, & Walt

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

We Gather Together

No. 415

*Call to Worship

Rev. 1:5b-7

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so, Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

Psalm 100 B

Trinity Psalter Hymnal

*Prayer of Invocation & Adoration

Reading of the Law

Exodus 20:17

(Pew pg. 61/LP pg. 77)

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, we marvel that you should become incarnate, be crucified, dead, and buried. The sepulcher calls forth my adoring wonder, for it is empty and you are risen: the four-fold gospel attests it, the living witnesses prove it, my heart's experience knows it. Give me to die with you that I may rise to new life, for I wish to be as dead and buried to sin, to selfishness, to the world, that I might not hear the voice of the tempter, and might be delivered from his lusts. O Lord, there is much ill about me and sin within me—crucify it, much flesh within me—mortify it. Purge me from selfishness, the fear of man, the love of praise, the pride of life. Grant me to stand with my living Savior, to be content to be rejected, to be willing to take up unpopular truths, to hold fast despised teachings until death. Grant me more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule me, may I walk in its power, and be strengthened through its influence. For the glory of my risen Savior. In the strong name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Rom. 5:20-21

Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reception of New Members

Tyler & Hannah Costas (Lily)

*Hymn of Thanksgiving There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood No. 340

Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 7:14-18

(Pew pg.556/LP pg. 700)

57 Q. How does "the resurrection of the body" comfort you?

A. Not only will my soul be taken immediately after this life to Christ its head, but also my very flesh, raised by the power of Christ, will be reunited with my soul, and made like Christ's glorious body.

58 Q. How does the article concerning "life everlasting" comfort you?

A. Even as I already now experience in my heart the beginning of eternal joy, so after this life I will have perfect blessedness such as no eye has seen, no ear has heard, no heart has ever imagined: a blessedness in which to praise God eternally.

Prayer of Intercession

Offering

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

No. 397

*Doxology No. 567

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

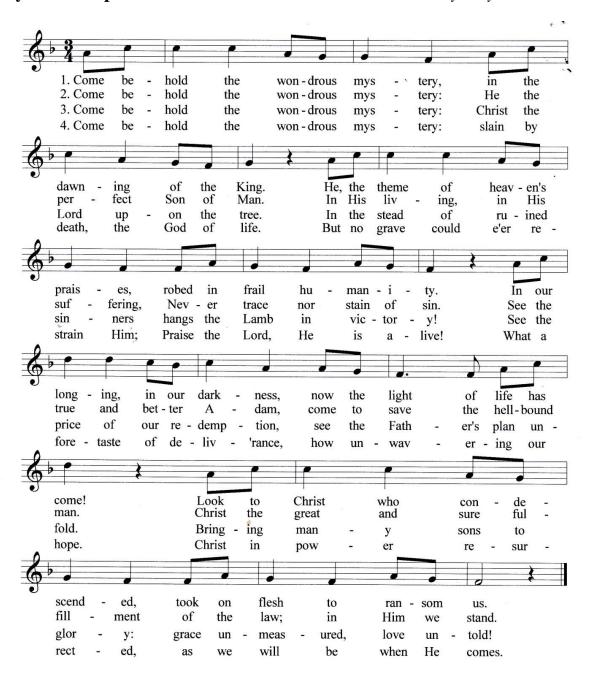
Praise Him, all creatures here below:

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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*Prayer of Thanksgiving



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Sermon

1 Tim 4:1-5 (Pew pg. 992/LP pg. 1235)

1. False Members

2. False Teaching

3. False Fruit

Questions:

- 1. What character qualities do false teachers possess?
- 2. What does apostasy mean? Why should we not be surprised when church members apostatize? How does the Church guard itself against apostasy?
- 3. What two directions will false teaching always tend towards? What is the reason for this?
- 4. How can I become better in my prayers?

The Lord's Supper

(wine in the wine-colored cups and grape juice in the clear cups)

Sursum Corda

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Music:

Rock of Ages/ 'Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus

*Benediction

*Gloria Patri No. 572

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, amen.

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Postlude Blessed Assurance

Weekly Calendar

* Congregation: Please stand as able.

Musician Chris Erickson Grayden Lash Musician **Intercessory Prayer** Jim Martin

SUN 4/7	9:20 AM	2:20 AM Sunday School	
	10:30 AM	Worship Service – LORD's Supper	
	After Church	VBS Callout Meeting MS/HS Bible Study	
TUE 4/9	5 PM	Women's Evening Study	
WED 4/10	1 PM	PM Group	
THUR 4/11	9:30 AM	Women's Morning Study	
SUN 4/14	9:20 AM	Sunday School	
	10:30 AM	Worship Service – LORD's Supper	
	4PM After Church 4 PM 4PM	Erickson Group @ Chris & Cassy's Home Lindborg Group @ Church Gretzinger Group @ Gretzinger Home Martin Group @ Curtis New Home (130 S 450 W Valpo)	

Serving the Lord

	4/7/24	4/14/24
Nursery During Sunday School	Connie Eenigenburg	Karen Carleton
Nursery During Service	Angela Collins & Nora Jones	Lorrie Martin & Kathleen Gretzinger
Greeters	Jane Erspamer	Lash Family
Treats/ Clean	Sign up at desk	Sign up at desk
Audio	Joel Tummond	Ben Armstrong
Elder	Jim Martin	Andrew Gretzinger
Deacon	Ben Armstrong	Craig Curtis
Communion Prep	Yon Lindborg	N/A
Officer on Duty	Yon Lindborg	Craig Curtis

Announcements

- ➤ Lord's Supper: Today we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. Participation is open to all who are trusting in Christ for salvation, living a life of repentance from sin, and in good standing with a Christian church. Please see page 3 of the bulletin for more information.
- ➤ **MS/HS Bible Study:** Youth Bible study beginning <u>today</u> Apr 7. Meeting biweekly after church @ Gretzingers. Sign up and books in the foyer. Lunch will be provided.
- Save the Date: The Spring Church Work Day has been proposed for May 4th. The Building and Grounds committee appreciates the extra help. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Windows need cleaned, painting needs to be done, mulch needs to be shoveled, and carpets cleaned and much more. 9am to noon. Please plan to volunteer. Check the email for more details and email Craig if you plan to attend.