

May 4, 2025

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

Psalm 118:24

**Prelude**

*My Hope is Built*

No. 459

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit**

*Just As I am, Without One Plea*

No. 453

**\*Call to Worship**

Ps. 66:1-4

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name;

give to him glorious praise!

Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!

So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

All the earth worships you

and sings praises to you;

they sing praises to your name.”

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

No. 283

**\*Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

**Prayer of Confession**

Holy Lord, I have sinned times without number. I have been guilty of pride and unbelief, of failure to find your mind in your Word, and of neglect to seek you in my daily life. My transgressions and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I bless you that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ. Subdue my corruptions and grant me grace to live above them. Let not the passions of the flesh nor lustings of the mind bring my spirit into subjection, but rule over me in liberty and power. No trial is so hard to bear as a sense of sin. If you should give me a choice to live in pleasure and keep my sins, or to have them burnt away with trial, give me sanctified affliction. Deliver me from every evil habit, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in me, everything that prevents me taking delight in you. Then I shall bless you, God of my righteousness, for enabling me to be upright. In Jesus' name 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.

**Farewell Prayer**

Suma Dommati

**\*Hymn of Thanksgiving***How Deep The Father's Love for Us* No. 351

## Scripture Reading

1 Sam 22:1-5

(Pew pg. 245/LP pg. 308)

## Westminster Shorter Catechism

pg. 970

### Q. 40. What did God at first reveal to man for the rule of his obedience?

A. The rule which God at first revealed to man for his obedience was the moral law.

## Prayer of Intercession

### Offering

*Come to the Waters*

No. 444

### \*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.

Amen.

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### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

### \*Hymn of Preparation

*Psalm 23 C*  
*Hymn of the Month*

## 1. Why James?

## 2. Peter's Deep Sleep

## 3. The Power of Prayer

### Questions:

1. Why is it important for Christians to not avoid the 'why' questions of suffering? What do we discover when we ask this of life events, suffering, and deep pain?
2. How does James' death confirm what Tertullian once said that, "the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church"? Explain your answer.
3. Why was Peter at peace in a jail cell? What does this tell you about the sovereignty of God and our human responsibility?
4. If the disciples had NOT gathered together to pray for Peter, would he still have been freed from prison? Explain.

## **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

*Psalm 102 B / Psalm 103 A*

**\*Hymn of Response**

*Christ for the World We Sing*

No. 420

**\*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**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

No. 216

**\* Congregation:** Please stand as able.

**Musician AM**

**Musician PM**

**Intercessory Prayer**

Emily Thevenin

Chris Erickson

Andrew Gretzinger

## Weekly Calendar

<b>SUN 5/4</b>	9:20 AM	<b>Sunday School</b>
	10:30 AM	<b>Worship AM Service - LORD's Supper</b> (Brief Meeting after church to discuss VBS)
	5 PM	<b>Worship PM Service</b>
<b>WED 5/7</b>	6 PM	<b>Family Night</b>
<b>SUN 5/11</b>	9:20 AM	<b>Sunday School</b>
	10:30 AM	<b>Worship AM Service</b> <b>Shepherding Groups</b> Lindborg Group Moved to 5/10 Erickson, Martin, & Gretzinger Groups postponed until Next Month
<b>WED 5/14</b>	1 PM	<b>PM Group</b>
<b>THUR 5/15</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Ladies Morning Study</b>
<b>SUN 5/18</b>	9:20 AM	<b>LAST Sunday School</b>
	10:30 AM	<b>Worship AM Service</b> <b>Stagl Celebration Meal</b>
	5:30 PM	<b>Ordination Service</b>

## Songs for Next Week

*Psalm 23 C*

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

No. 157

*Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

No. 439

## Serving the Lord

	5/4/25	5/11/25	5/18/25	5/25/25	6/1/25
Nursery SS	Karen Carleton	Connie Eenigenburg	Calla Bailey	N/A	Karen Carleton
Nursery AM	Cordie Armstrong & Nora Jones	Lily Goodman & Neliz Hill-Ortiz	Karen Carleton & Beth Siderius	Nora Jones & Andrea Tummond	Lorrie Martin & Grace Martin
Nursery PM	Kathleen Gretzinger	N/A	Grace Martin	Kathleen Gretzinger	Grace Martin
Greeters	Jane Erspamer	Lash Family	Judy Rogers	Robbin Kern	Connie Eenigenburg
Treats/ Clean	Sign up at welcome desk	Sign up at welcome desk	Sign up at welcome desk	Sign up at welcome desk	Sign up at welcome desk
Audio	Elijah Tummond	Joel Tummond	Ed Ross	Ben Armstrong	Grayden Lash
Elder	Andrew Gretzinger	Yon Lindborg	Yon Lindborg	Jim Martin	Andrew Gretzinger
Deacon	Ken Erickson	Jason Lash	Ben Armstrong	Ed Ross	Nick Jones
Communion	Jim Martin	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yon Lindborg

### Announcements

**\*Committee Sign-ups:** Annual committee sign-up forms are open to all. Even if you were on the committee last year, you need to sign up again if you wish to continue. Please be wise not to over commit. Sign-up forms at the welcome desk.

**\*Suma Sendoff:** Suma Dommatti is moving to Iowa for her internship after graduation. Please pray for her time there and for God's continued provision and guidance.

**\*VBS Callout Today:** After church to discuss, please attend if you want to volunteer.

**\*Stagl Celebration Meal:** Franz graduates Thursday May 15<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 PM at Redeemer United Reformed Church. We want to do a special meal at our church the following Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>. If your last name begins with A-G please bring a main dish. If your last name begins with H-Z please bring a side dish.

**\* New Deacon Installation:** Our new deacons Nick Jones and Ed Ross will be installed on May 18<sup>th</sup> during our evening service. Please note the service will be at 5:30 pm.

**\*Prodigal Prayer Ministry:** The Session of GSPC wants to call on the church to gather once a month to pray for our children, especially those who have left the faith of their youth. Starting on **May 21, 2025** we are going to start meeting for as long as it takes to pray for these kids, and to ask our Great God to draw them back to Himself and His church. We will meet in the sanctuary at 6pm and following a short Biblical encouragement on prayer will then share our requests, and then pray for them.

**\*Youth Group:** The youth are meeting at Zao Island on Friday May 23 from 6-8 pm. Contact Nick Jones for more information.

# **EVENING WORSHIP**

**5:00 p.m.**

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**Prelude 425**.....“How Sweet and Awesome is the Place”

## **Call to Worship**

**+Hymn 254**..... “Let All Things Now Living”

## **+Prayer of Invocation**

**Scripture Reading**.....Psalm 23

**+Hymn** ..... Psalm 23 C

**Prayer of Intercession**.....Elder led

**Reading of God’s Word**..... Joshua 9

**Preaching of God’s Word**.....Andrew Gretzinger

**+Hymn** .....Psalm 119 P Tune: Hyfrydol

## **+Benediction**

**\*Doxology**..... No. 567

**Postlude 243**.....“How Firm A Foundation”

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+The congregation will stand at these times