

**April 21, 2024**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**



**St. Philip's Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

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**“St. Philip’s Evangelical Lutheran Church & School”**

[www.stphilipmilwaukee.com](http://www.stphilipmilwaukee.com)

Pastor: Raymond Kimbrough

Principal: Jason Schapekahm

**Welcome, Friend!  
You Have Come To The Right Place!  
Jesus Loves YOU!**

**WELCOME**

**Guests and visitors, we invite you to worship with us again in the future.**

**For more information regarding St. Philip’s Lutheran Church,  
please contact Pastor Kimbrough at 414-263-1373 or 414-254-6093.**

**For information on our K4 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Christian day school please contact  
our Principal, Jason Schapekahm at 414-263-7614 or 414-659-4688.**

**THEME OF THE DAY**

**Resurrection Reality  
The Risen Savior Provides Good Shepherding**

**EXPLANATION OF THE THEME OF THE DAY**

Scripture frequently pictures spiritual care in terms of a shepherd watching over sheep. Even folks unfamiliar with shepherding are able to grasp the meaning. Sheep are helpless animals—an easy meal for predators. For sheep to survive they needed a shepherd who not only leads them to sources of food, but who also is willing to tangle with a pack of wolves. Jesus is such a shepherd. He proved he is willing to lay down his life for his sheep.

The word “pastor” comes from the Latin word for “shepherd.” Today, there are plenty of people—pastors, religious leaders, etc.—who claim they can provide healing for your soul. Yet, Scripture warns that “many” of these are “false prophets” (1 John 4:1) who “distort the truth” (Acts 20:30). Many! But the resurrection reality is that our Good Shepherd is faithful. He will raise up true sub-shepherds who know Christ and proclaim the truth of his gospel.

# 555 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

CW 555



1 The Lord's my shep - herd, I'll not want; he  
2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain and  
3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet  
4 My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed in  
5 Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall



makes me down to lie in pas - tures green; he  
me to walk doth make with - in the paths of  
will I fear no ill; for thou art with me,  
pres - ence of my foes; my head thou dost with  
sure - ly fol - low me, and in God's house for -



lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.  
right - eous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.  
and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.  
oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.  
ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be.

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

Tune: William Gardiner, 1770-1853

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Stand

*Throughout the service, the congregation speaks (or sings) the parts printed in bold.*

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Confession**

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

**Amen.**

## Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

## Glory to God in the Highest



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



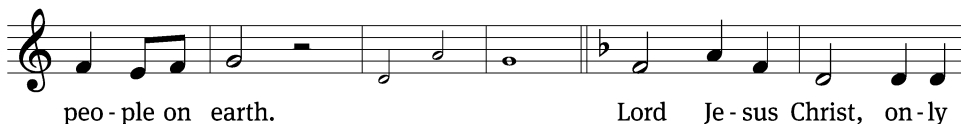
Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther. We



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your



glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his



peo - ple on earth. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on



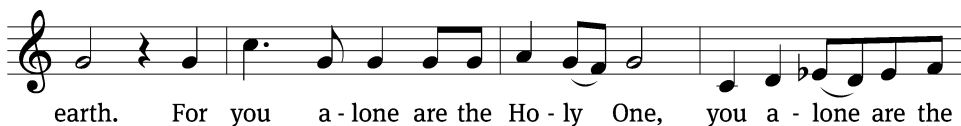
us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on



earth. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,



with the Ho - ly Spir-it in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God.

Tune: Kermit G. Moldenhauer

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## The Word

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

**O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

Acts 20:28–32

<sup>28</sup>Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. <sup>30</sup>Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. <sup>31</sup>So be on your guard! Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears.

<sup>32</sup>Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm of the Day – Junior Choir sings** – congregation joins on final stanza

**Psalm 23 - Jesus the Shepherd of My Soul** (Sovereign Grace Music)

Jesus the shepherd of my soul, all of my needs supplies  
By living waters gives me rest, keeping me by His side  
Bringing my wandering spirit back when I forsake His ways  
Leading me for His mercy's sake in paths of truth and grace

Jesus the shepherd of my soul when in the valley deep  
Death like a shadow hides my way, still You are leading me  
I will not fear the darkest hour, faithful You will remain  
Comforting with Your rod and staff, driving my fears away

**Jesus the shepherd of my soul, keeping me from all harm  
Ever until He leads me home, safely into His arms  
When I behold Him face to face, then I will look and see  
Goodness and mercy from His hand surely have followed me**



## Second Reading

1 John 4:1–6

<sup>1</sup>Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

<sup>2</sup>This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, <sup>3</sup>but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.

<sup>4</sup>You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. <sup>5</sup>They are from the world and therefore speak from the viewpoint of the world, and the world listens to them. <sup>6</sup>We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd;

I know my sheep and my sheep know me.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel

John 10:11–18

<sup>11</sup>“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. <sup>13</sup>The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

<sup>14</sup>“I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the

sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

## 551 Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep

CW 551

*Please rise for the final stanza.*



1 Je - sus, shep - herd of the sheep, who your  
 2 In your prom - ise firm we stand, none can  
 3 By your blood our souls were bought, by your  
 4 Fa - ther, draw us to your Son; we with  
 5 We, in robes of glo - ry dressed, join th'as -



Fa - ther's flock does keep, safe we wake and  
 take us from your hand; speak— we hear— at  
 life sal - va - tion wrought; by your light our  
 joy will fol - low on till the work of  
 sem - bly of the blest, gath - ered to e -



safe we sleep, guard - ed still by you.  
 your com - mand, we will fol - low you.  
 feet are taught, Lord, to fol - low you.  
 grace is done, there to live with you.  
 ter - nal rest in the fold with you.

Text: Henry Cook, 1788–1868, alt.  
 Tune: Friedrich Fillitz, 1804–1876  
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## **Sermon – John 10:11-18 (Gospel)**

### **"Jesus Is Our Good Shepherd"**

1. I lay down my life for the sheep. Verses 11-13, 15b, 17, 18
2. I know my sheep and my sheep know me. Verses 14-15a
3. I have other sheep that I must also bring into my sheep-pen. Verse 16

*Stand*

### **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Offering

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<https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing>.

## Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

**Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.**

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

**Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

**Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.**

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

**Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

**Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.**

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

**Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

### *Silent prayer*

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

**Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.  
**Amen.**

### **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.**

### **Blessing**

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.

**Amen.**

## Hymn - King of Love (I AM THEY Music) – Junior Choir

The king of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never  
I nothing lack if I am his and He is mine forever and He is mine forever

Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul He leadeth  
And where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth

Refrain: Never-failing Ruler of my heart. Everlasting Lover of my soul  
On the mountain high or in the valley low, the King of love my shepherd is,  
The King of love my shepherd is

Lost and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me  
And on His shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me

In death's dark veil, I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me

Refrain

Oh-oh-oh, hallelujah, hallelujah; Oh-oh-oh, hallelujah, hallelujah

Refrain

And so through all the length of days, Thy goodness faileth never  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Your praise Within Your house forever  
Within Your house forever

## Acknowledgments

Setting Four from Christian Worship

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Pastor Raymond Kimbrough

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Mr. Jack Vogel

**Organ**

Mrs. Nicole Cottman

**Choir Director**

Ms. Sarah Enstad

**Choir**

St. Philip's School Junior Choir

**In Our Prayers**

Joyce Vernon

Kitty Henderson

Natasha McCants

Susan Berg

Gabriel Jasper

Fannie Edwards and family

Phil Scriver – former teacher at St. Philip's

**Next Week: April 28, 2024**

**Organ:** Mrs. Claire Vogel

**Lay Reader:** Mr. Thomas McNeal

**WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S**

**Wednesday, April 24**

**Chapel 8:15AM**

**Friday, April 26**

**NO SCHOOL – Faculty Professional Day**

**Saturday, April 27**

**Track Meet at WLC**

**LWMS Spring Rally at Pilgrim, Menomonee Falls**

**Registration 8:AM, Worship & Program 9AM-12PM**

**Sunday, April 28**

**Bible Class 9:30AM**

**Worship with communion 10:30AM**

**OFFERING UPDATE**

	<b>Week</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>July to Date</b>
	<b><u>4/1 – 4/7</u></b>	<b><u>April</u></b>	<b><u>2023-2024</u></b>
Budget	\$ 3,490.57	\$ 3,490.57	\$ 145,566.04
Actual	\$ 3,744.00	\$ 3,744.00	\$ 139,224.91
Over (Under)	\$ 253.43	\$ 253.43	(\$ 6,341.13)

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**CALLS ISSUED:**

The voters issued calls to Joel & Kelli Plocher to serve as teachers at St. Philip's Lutheran School. They are currently serving in Des Moines, WA. Please keep them in your prayers as they deliberate where to serve the Lord.



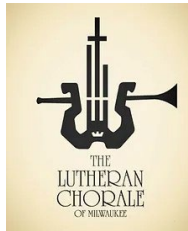
**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS  
WHO QUALIFIED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
2024 WLHS CONFERENCE PRIMARY GRADE SPELLING BEE**

**Grade 1 – Hannah Shands-Bryant, Chase White Moore**

**Grade 2 – Shyla Branch, Shawntrell Mixon**

**Grade 3 – Akila Finch-Spruell, Nyla Washington**

**Grade 4 – Alyana Moldenhauer, Harmoni Sharp**



**“Sola Scriptura”**

This year's spring concert will be presented twice under the theme “Sola Scriptura.” It will highlight sacred texts that are direct quotes from God's Word. Hear classics like “How Lovely Are the Messengers” and “See What Love” by Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, “Os Justi” by Anton Bruckner, and “O Clap Your Hands” by Ralph Vaughan Williams. Additionally, the Chorale will debut several pieces new to us such as “Esto Les Digo” by Kinley Lange, “O Word of God” by Craig Courtney, “Stay with Us” by WELS composer Jon Hermanson, and “Serve One Another” by former Chorale member Jeremy Bakken.

This unique concert will feature piano, organ, brass, strings, and the 48-voice Lutheran Chorale. We hope you will join us for this monumental concert as we sing the Word of God.

Freewill offering

**Saturday, April 27, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.**

Christ the Lord Lutheran Church  
1650 North Brookfield Road  
Brookfield, WI 53045

**Sunday, May 5, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
2665 North Street  
East Troy, WI 53120

### **Grace Ev. Lutheran Church 175 Year Anniversary**

Everyone is invited to the 175 year anniversary celebration of Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (1209 North Broadway), in Milwaukee. On Sunday, May 19, identical anniversary worship services will be held at the church at 7:45, 9:00, and 10:30 a.m. A catered meal and program will follow the 10:30 a.m. service at the Marcus Performing Arts Center. RSVP by Wednesday, May 1 to <https://bit.ly/Grace175>



### **Taste of Missions**

Register today for Taste of Missions, a hybrid event that will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, Wis. Attend in person OR online to get a “taste of missions.” Registration is \$15 per person, with children 13 and under attending for free. Those attending in person will receive food tickets to sample ethnic food and will have the ability to purchase additional food from the food trucks. Or attend virtually for free and watch all events via livestream, view additional video updates from missionaries, and try your hand at making one of the many ethnic recipes shared on the website. Learn more and register at [tasteofmissions.com](https://tasteofmissions.com).

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**TO FRIENDS AND VISITORS**

*This is the house of God. In His Name we welcome each and every person. May His Word bring you closer to your Savior, assuring you of the forgiveness of all your sins through Jesus' death and resurrection.*

*If you are without a church home or have recently moved to the area, our pastor will be happy to call on you or answer your questions about church membership. If you are burdened with sorrow or trouble, we invite you to call on the pastor at any time.*

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

*St. Philip's congregation supports and maintains a Christian Day School for the thorough training of the whole child. We want each child to know, not only how to deal with this life, but to know their Savior and prepare for eternal life. The school is called St. Philip's Lutheran School and is located at 3012 N. Holton Street.*

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**Church Office Phone: 414-263-1373**

**Church Service – 10:30AM**

**Bible Class – 9:30AM**