



Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

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April 6, 2025

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Website: www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org

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Church Service Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

WELCOME GUESTS


*We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Here at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church we celebrate Holy Communion whenever we gather, and we would like to invite you to join us, as **all** are welcome to the Lord's table here. If you are in need of any additional information in regard to our church or Synod affiliation, please contact Pastor Bill at 1-715-617-6477. Thank you for joining us.*

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ,
we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God
and practice it in our daily lives.

Recorded Services:

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube.

Go to the Church website at www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org and look for the  symbol.
Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.

*For those of you worshipping with us at home – You can mail your donations to:
Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church 2903 State HWY 155, PO Box 130 Sayner, WI 54560
Or on the church website – www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org
You can donate through our PayPal account.
“Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together.”*

Readings for April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday

First Reading	Isaiah 50: 4-9a
Psalm	31: 9-16
Second Reading	Philippians 2: 5-11
Holy Gospel	Luke 22:14 – 23:56

A Place with Jesus

The movement of this day—from shouts of praise to words of denial and cries for crucifixion—mirrors the path of discipleship. The lives of Jesus' followers hang in the balance between faithfulness and betrayal. For Peter, the act of denial is subtle and insidious. He claims not to know Jesus; he claims to have no place as his disciple. On the surface it is seemingly harmless. It happens, and then is over in a moment. In reality, the harm is deep and lasting. Subtle but harmful denial happens in a split second as disciples compromise faith for the sake of self-protection—as they're too embarrassed to give thanks; as someone knows how to help but fails to do so because it's inconvenient; as resources are hoarded. While Peter withholds everything for his own sake, Jesus, for the sake of others, withholds nothing. As disciples fail to claim their place with Jesus, Jesus' embrace claims them. From the cross, Jesus offers mercy wide enough to claim even those who do not know what they do.

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES AT 9:00 A.M.

Holy Communion is offered at every service. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later on Sundays.

NO FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MARCH 30, 2025

Attendance on March 30: Service Cancelled

General Contributions	
Caritas	
Food Pantry	
Vilas Humane Society	
World Hunger	
TOTAL	

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Bible Study will be held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 3 pm. The study will again be based on “The Chosen”.

CHURCH SCHOOL

Church School will be offered every Wednesday (as long as school is in session) after school. The bus will drop the children off at approximately 3:45. Lessons/project time will last until 5 pm. We welcome you to get your children - or grandchildren - involved!

ALTAR FLOWERS - INFORMATION ON HOW TO SIGN UP

Contact Person - Jo Ann Kehl Cell 715-892-0413

The Sign-Up Sheets are located in the Narthex on the shelf under the Lutheran Rose.

STEP ONE:

Sign up for the date you wish to provide the set of two altar bouquets

STEP TWO:

You can provide flowers in two ways:

1. You may purchase your own flowers and bring them to church.
 2. You may contact Jo Ann Kehl and she will order them for you. Just let her know what flowers you would like and how much you would like to spend. You can then write a check to Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church for that amount and designate it as ***Altar Flower Donation.***
- ANY QUESTIONS? Contact Jo Ann

LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesday evening services will be held after Soup Supper at 5:15 pm. Please join us for the Soup Supper and then join us for the Lenten Services at 6:00 p.m..

Holy Week Services

Thursday, April 17th

Maundy Thursday Service 6 pm

Friday, April 18th

Good Friday Service 6 pm

Saturday, April 19th

Easter Vigil 7:00 pm (St. Germain Community Church)

Sunday, April 20th

Easter Breakfast 7:30 am

Easter Worship Service 9 am

Fellowship to follow



PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for those dealing with current issues:

Carolyn, Beth, Shirley, John, Kim, Dick, Mary H., Evie, and Doug.

(Please let us know if/when names should be removed from this “current issues” list or moved to “ongoing list”)

Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Larry, Mary Lou, Melody, Ericka, Mike, Shelle, Sharon G., Bob B., Lynn C., Brian, and Ron

Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, Dylan, and David.

Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

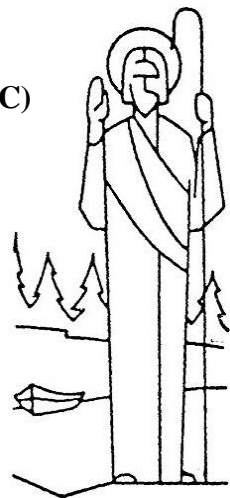
Elisabeth

Pray for peace and consoling comfort for the families of those who have passed:

Family of Charlie & Sharon Rice on the death of Sharon’s mother

Please email Bill Wendorf at pastor@SOTLsayner.com or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean Maines at treasurer@SOTLsayner.com if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list.

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“Fifth Sunday In Lent April 6th, 2025”



Greeting & Announcements

Invocation

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God’s promise of mercy.

Gracious God,

Our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo.

Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open us to a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Amen.

(Book of Common Worship)

Words of Forgiveness

Beloved, God’s word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are ☩ forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus.

Amen.

Gathering Song

"The Churches One Foundation" ELW 654

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

The Church's One Foundation

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system. The score begins with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a steady rhythm. The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines. The lyrics are a well-known hymn by Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900, with music by Aurelia and Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876.

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
by schisms . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

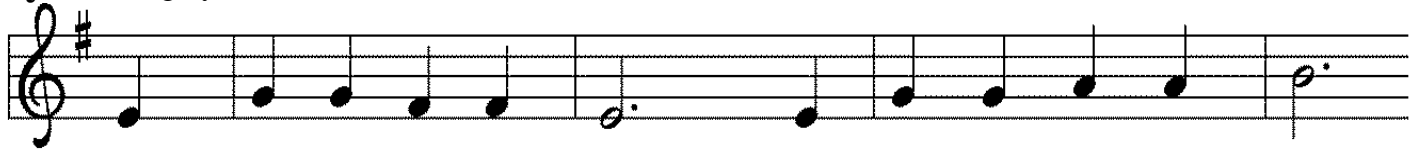
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Apostolic Greeting

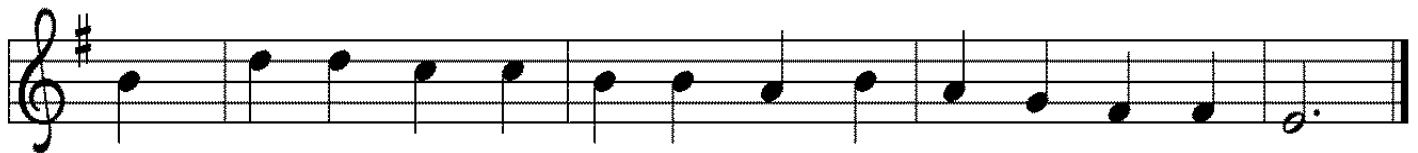
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie (sung by all)



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

Our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope in the world. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.....**And also with you.**

(Please greet your neighbor as you and your neighbor are comfortable, then be seated)

First Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

The Word of the Lord...

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

- ¹ When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.
- ² **Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with
shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, “The LORD has
done great things for them.”**
- ³ The LORD has done great things for us,
and we are glad indeed.
- ⁴ **Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses of the Negeb.**
- ⁵ Those who sowed with tears
will reap with songs of joy.
- ⁶ **Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

Second Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

The Word of the Lord...

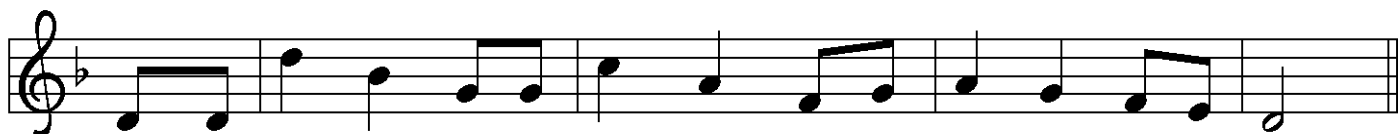
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclimation

(Please stand as you are comfortable)



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

The Holy Gospel According to....

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 12:1-8

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

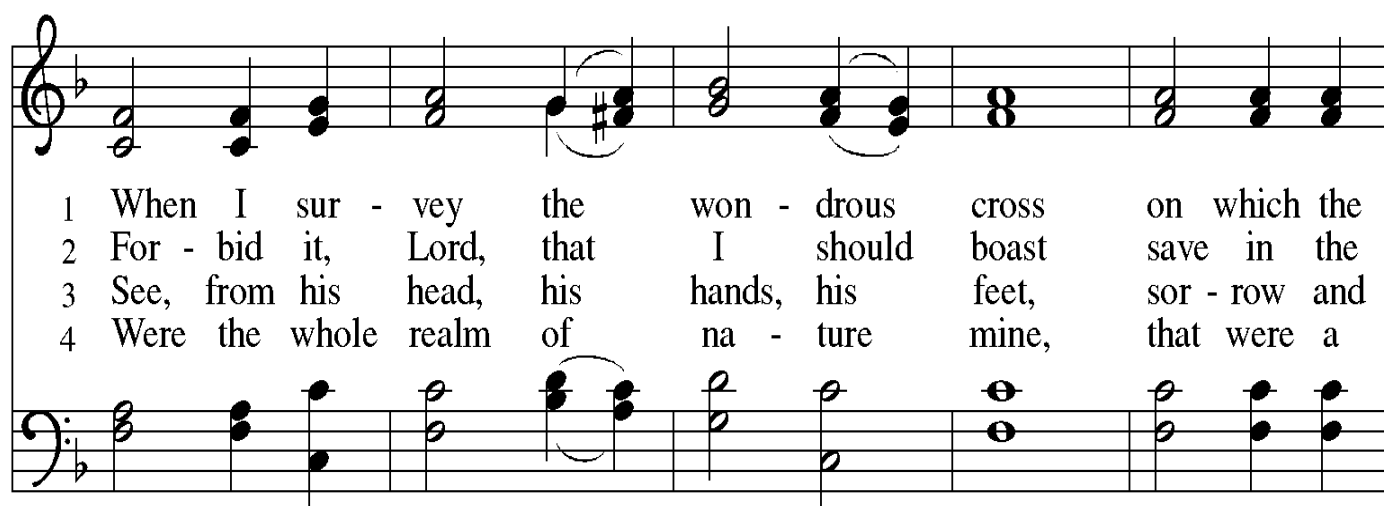
Sermon

Hymn of the Day

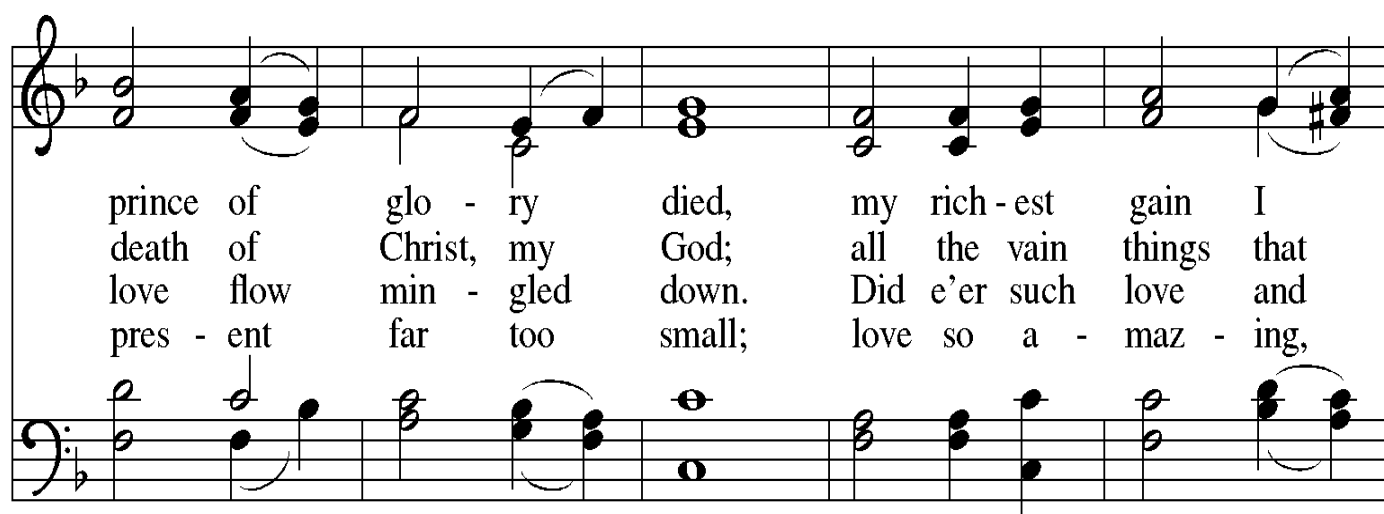
“When I Survey The Wondrous Cross” ELW 803

(Please remain seated)

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

Music: HAMBURG, Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

Apostles Creed

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

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.

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

Prayers of the Church

Offering

(As we receive our offering, our Lord's table is prepared)

Prayer

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

God of mercy and grace,

The eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

Amen.

Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,
that all those who believe in him should not perish,
but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you

for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,

that we may receive our Lord with a living faith
as he comes to us in his holy supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Words of Institution

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.

Invitation

As often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. All is ready, all are welcome, our Lord and Savior invites us.

Communion Distribution

Please come forward as the ushers direct, receive the bread in your hand and then receive the wine by dipping the host into the wine (chalice). Grape juice is also offered as an alternative to the wine in the crystal Chalice. We also have gluten free wafers for those in need, simply ask for them when you come forward. Small children and others that wish not to commune may come forward for a blessing.

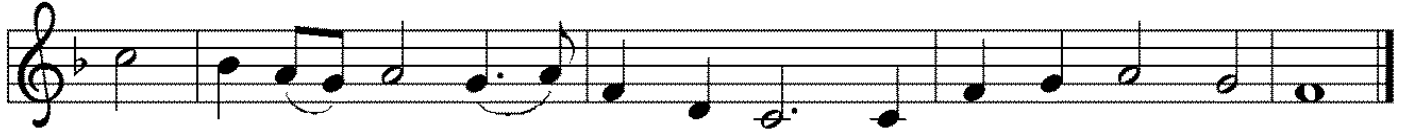
ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE.

(Please be seated)

Lamb of God



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

O Lord, Hear My Prayer *The Lord Is My Song*



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.
 OR *The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.*



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.



Text: Psalm 102:1–2; Taizé Community, adapt.

Music: HEAR MY PRAYER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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Come and Fill Our Hearts

Confitemini Domino

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no. Al - le - lu - ia!
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al - le - lu - ia!

Bless the Lord

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$\text{♩} = 76$ Dm G Dm B \flat C F A
p
Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Dm G Dm B \flat C Dm
p
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

Jesus, Remember Me

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

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The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Jesus, Remember Me'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble and a bass staff. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system continues the melody and accompaniment.

Post Communion Blessing

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

O God,

You made us from the dust of the earth. Now filled and nourished with the body and blood of your Son, raise us up and help us turn toward you with open hearts, beholding your glory, that by your grace we may receive everlasting life.

Amen.

Blessing

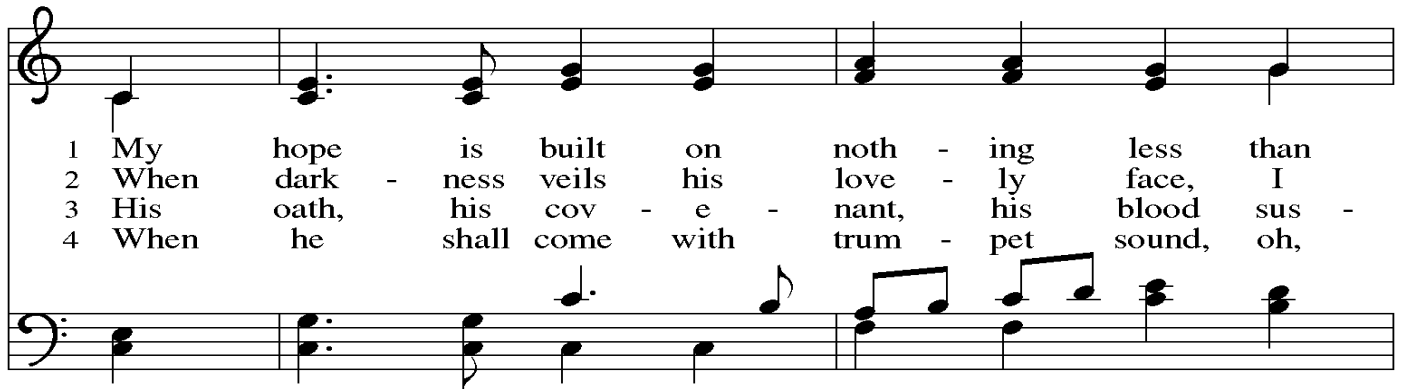
May almighty God,
Father, Son, † and Holy Spirit bless you all,
now and forever.

Amen

Sending Hymn

"My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less" ELW 597

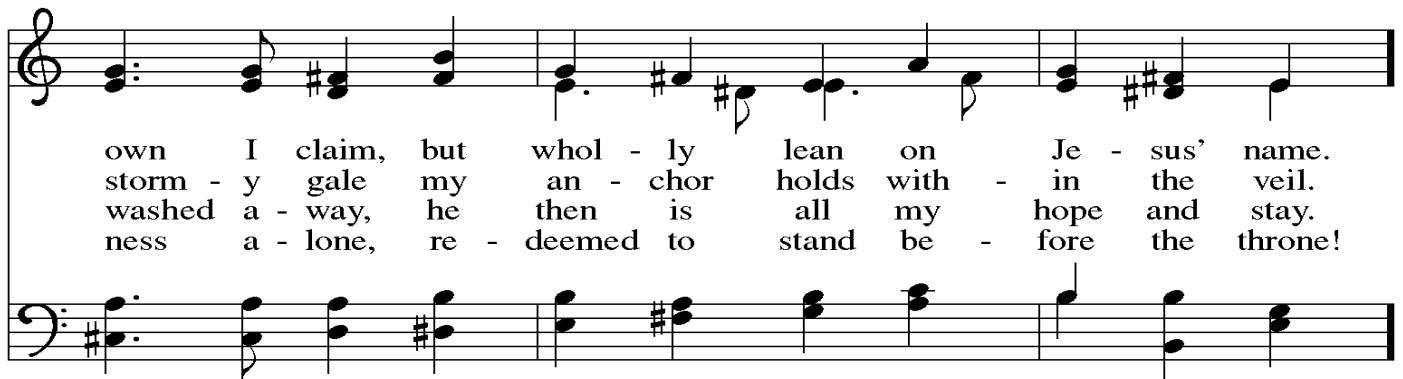
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than
 2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood, sus -
 4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,




Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my
 rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and
 tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are
 may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -



own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.
 Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

Dismissal

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Calendar for Week of April 7 to April 13, 2025

Tuesday	April 8, 2025	Bible Study “The Chosen”	3:00 p.m.
Wednesday	April 9, 2025	Church School	3:45 p.m.
Wednesday	April 9, 2025	Soup Supper	5:15-6 p.m.
Wednesday	April 9, 2025	Mid-Week Lenten Service	6:00 p.m.
Thursday	April 10, 2025	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	April 13, 2025	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.

Next Council Meeting:

April 27, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.

Upcoming Events:

Holy Week Services

Breakfast 7:30 am on Sunday, April 20th

*Check our calendar of events on the church website for
times and dates of events and worship services.*

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