

Welcome to Saint Michael Lutheran Church & School

“You Are Witnesses of These Things”

Good Shepherd Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026 + 8:30 am

Divine Service Three

(page 184 in LSB with some modifications for Easter)

(* = please stand)

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*** SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

*** CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *(left side column on page 184 and 185)*

*** INTROIT** *(Psalm 23; antiphon from John 10 – followed by sung Gloria Patri on page 186)*

A: I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know me,

C: And I lay down My life for the sheep.

A: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

C: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

A: He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul.

C: He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

A: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,

C: For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

A: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

C: You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

A: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C: And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*** KYRIE** *(page 186 in LSB)*

*** HYMN OF PRAISE #709:** “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

*** SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY** *(chanted and sung as on page 189 in LSB)*

P: 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, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 2:42–47 *(with spoken response from page 190)*

GRADUAL *(adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6)*

A: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: And God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor.

A: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

C: He has put all things under His feet.

EPISTLE READING: 1 Peter 2:19–25 *(with spoken response from page 190)*

*** ALLELUIA** *(the first one on page 190 in LSB)*

* **HOLY GOSPEL:** John 10:1–10 (*with sung responses as on page 190 and 191 in LSB*)

* **NICENE CREED** (*on page 191 in LSB*)

HYMN OF THE DAY #740: “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb” (*at this time the children gather for the Children’s Message*)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

BIBLE MESSAGE

* **OFFERTORY** (*page 192-193 in LSB. During this time the offering plates come forward and the altar is prepared*)

* **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*(Petitions conclude: “Lord, in Your mercy,” to which all respond: “**Hear our prayer**”).*

* **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT – PREFACE** (*chanted with sung responses as on page 194 in LSB*)

* **SANCTUS** (*sung as on page 195 in LSB*)

* **LORD’S PRAYER** (*chanted as on page 196 in LSB*)

* **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** (*chanted as on page 197 in LSB*)

* **PAX DOMINI** (*chanted as on page 197 in LSB*)

* **AGNUS DEI** (*sung as on page 198 in LSB*)

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Hymn #618: “I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”

Choir Anthem: “Easter Anthem,” by William Billings

Hymn #710: “The Lord’s My Shepherd I’ll Not Want”

* **NUNC DIMITTIS** (*sung as on page 199-200 in LSB*)

* **THANKSGIVING** (*on page 200 and left side column on page 201 in LSB*)

* **SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS** (*chanted as on pages 201-202 in LSB*)

* **BENEDICTION** (*chanted as on page 202 in LSB*)

* **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

* **CLOSING HYMN #711:** “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

POSTLUDE

SERVING TODAY (4/26)

Preaching & Assisting (A): Rev. Dr. Paul R. Naumann

Presiding Minister (P): Rev. Daniel Maske

Lay Ministers: Dave Drzewiecki, Jeff Lauterbach

Organist: Keith Eiser

Lector: Lynda Rea

Ushers: Don, Mike, Rich Crampton

Steve Lange, jr.

NEXT WEEK (5/3)

Rev. Daniel Maske

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Mark Kahle, Kerry Batten

Keith Eiser

Heather Crampton

Bill Burns, Steve Makowski

Pete Zakarias, Roger Myers

Acts 2:42–47

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

1 Peter 2:19–25

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

John 10:1–10

“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. ² But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³ To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵ A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶ This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷ So Jesus again said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.