

# Saturday, April 11, 2026

## 2nd Weekend of Easter



**St. John's**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Worship Services: Saturdays at 5:00pm • Sundays at 9:45am*

*Parish Education: Sunday School - Grades Pre-K to 6th - 8:30am • Adult Forum - 8:30am  
Confirmation - Grades 7 & 8 - Wednesdays 6:30pm*

*Church Office Hours: Tues-Thurs 9am-2pm • Fri 9am-12pm*

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

for the week of  
April 12-19

<b>Sunday</b>	9:45am Worship Sunday Social Hour
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00am-3:00pm LWR Workday
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00am-3:00pm LWR Workday 6:30pm Confirmation @ Salem
<b>Saturday</b>	5:00pm Worship
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30am Sunday School & Adult Forum 9:45am Worship

## God's work. Our hands.

### LWR Lutheran World Relief Work Days

Tuesday and Wednesday this week.  
See times above. There are always more jobs than workers, so please take a few moments to come and give us a hand.

Offering 4/4 and 4/5	Received	Received YTD
General Fund	\$1,636.14	\$37,150.39
Capital Fund	\$60.00	\$3,663.80
Lenten Meals	\$214.00	\$852.95
Bruce Wold Memorial	\$1,430.00	\$1,630.00
Men's Breakfasts	\$52.00	\$434.00
Sunday School	\$100.00	\$710.99

### April Special Offering

The April Special Offering will benefit the St. John's Capital Fund. The Capital Fund pays for improvements and repairs to the St. John's building and property. There are always expenses that need to be paid with Capital Fund monies plus we need a little "cushion" in case we have some emergency. The church building, the parsonage and even the last addition are all close to 20 years old and need some tender, loving care, which may include painting and some major building upkeep. If you are a property owner, you know that owning property costs money and it is no different with the church. It may be a leaky sink or something much larger that is needing attention, but everything comes with a cost. None of us would be happy if we didn't have good heat in winter or nice, cool air conditioning in the summer. That may not be the case if we have a break-down of equipment. Please be generous to the special offering for April and remember the Capital Fund in your regular giving.

### Prayer Requests

Mary Bark  
Mary Carlson  
Lance Davenport  
Judy Erickson  
Lee Gehrke  
Marlyn Glover  
Sharon Goode  
Mike Hamer  
Scott Horsch

Mary Ann Hulon  
Rhea Lumsden  
Linda Martin  
Doris Miller's  
brother, Curt  
James Moris  
Becky Morphey  
Lonnie Murray

Kay Nelson  
Matt Potter  
Roger & Helen  
Larry Rogers  
Shelly  
Lynn Skryzpiec  
Lois Spizziri  
Rosemary Underwood  
Jackie Wendland  
Cindy Westbrook  
Susan White

### Dates to Remember

Month	Date	Occasion
APRIL	12	SUNDAY SURPRISE SOCIAL HOUR

## Prelude

### Welcome & Announcements

*Please stand as you are able.*

### Thanksgiving for Baptism

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**P:** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C:** **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**P:** Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

**P:** Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

**C:** **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

**P:** Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

**C:** **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

**P:** Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.

Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace.

Blessed are you.

**C:** **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

**P:** Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,

and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

### Gathering Hymn ELW 384 That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

#### Greeting

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

**C:** **And also with you.**

#### Prayer of the Day

**P:** Almighty and eternal God,

**C:** **the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**A:** The **First Reading** comes from Acts Chapter 2 vs 14a, 22-32

**A:** Word of God, Word of Life

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

**A:** Our Psalm today is Psalm 16

<sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

<sup>2</sup>**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.**

<sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

<sup>4</sup>**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.**

<sup>5</sup> O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

<sup>6</sup> **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup> I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

<sup>8</sup> **I have set the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup> My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup> **For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup> You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**A:** The **Second Reading** comes from 1 Peter Chapter 1 verses 3-9

**A:** Word of God, Word of Life

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**P:** The **Holy Gospel** according to St. John the 20th Chapter

**C:** **Glory to you O Lord. Gospel: John 20:19-31**

**P:** The Gospel of our Lord.

**C:** **Praise to you O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## Sermon

**Hymn of the Day** ELW 635 We Walk by Faith

## Apostle's Creed

**P:** God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ,  
God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of  
the Father, and he will come 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 Intercession

**P:** Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

*A brief silence.*

**A:** ... Merciful God.

**C:** **receive our prayer.**

**P:** God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior .

**C:** Amen.

### **The Peace**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C:** **And also with you.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

**P:** In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**P:** Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

**C:** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

**P:** Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

*Please be seated. The usher will direct you when to come forward for Holy Communion.*

### **Holy Communion is served**

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

**A:** Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us  
and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to  
love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations.  
In the name of Jesus,

**C:** Amen.

### **Blessing**

**P:** God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the  
dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

**Sending Hymn** ELW 535 Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

### **Dismissal**

**P:** Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**C:** **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**



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