

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ APRIL 25, 2021

Worship 10:00am

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GATHERING - Prelude "Be Glorified"

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Welcome & Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PSALM: Psalm 23

P: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

C: The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

P: You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

C: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

P: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

HYMN “The Lord’s My Shepherd” ELW 778

The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by. He leadeth me, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake; within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast richly spread in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows. my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be; and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be.

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: God of all Creation,

C: At the beginning of time

You placed a single mandate on humankind

To be stewards of Creation

To replenish and nurture all generations

What you have made

We kneel today amid that same Creation-

A world that is, in many ways, more splendid than ever

But, in too many ways, scarred beyond recognition

Turn us from our unmindfulness

Help our torch be light

Help us renew the worlds that supports us

So we may once more know Creation

As it was in the beginning

Amen.

Sharing Christ's Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

WORD

1st Reading – Acts 4:5-12

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

2nd Reading – 1 John 3:16-24

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Young People's Message

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel – John 10:11-18

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Message – David Ingram

HYMN OF THE DAY “Have No Fear, Little Flock” ELW 764

**Have no fear, little flock; have no fear, little flock,
for the Father has chosen, to give you the kingdom; have no fear, little flock!**

**Have good cheer, little flock; have good cheer, little flock,
for the Father will keep you, in his love forever; have good cheer, little flock!**

**Praise the Lord high above; praise the Lord high above,
for he stoops down to heal you, uplift and restore you; praise the Lord high
above!**

**Thankful hearts raise to God; thankful hearts raise to God,
for he stays close beside you, in all things works with you;
thankful hearts raise to God!**

Affirmation of Faith: Nicene Creed

P: Siblings in Christ, we are invited to join our voices with the voice of the whole Church on earth as we profess what we believe as Christians:

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering *Thank you for your on-going gifts and for being the generous people who support the mission & ministry of our congregation.*

Offering Prayer

P: God of love,

C: you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

P: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Benediction

P: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG “Because He Lives”

**God sent His son, they called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and forgive
He lived and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove my savior lives**

**Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives
Because He lives, Because He lives, He lives.**

**And then one day, I'll cross the river
I'll fight life's final war with pain
And then, as death gives way to victory
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.**

**Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives**

**Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know, I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives
He lives, Because He lives, He lives.**

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

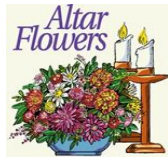
POSTLUDE

We Pray for:

*Andrew (Pastor Lou), Joel Cederberg, Dori Dodson (Chelsea Morehead),
Dennis & Barbara Franke, Jackie (Nancy), Dan & Eric Gullickson,
Cynthia Holmberg (Nancy), Joe Knox Jr (Chelsea W.), Clarice Moore (Gary Walker),
Janice Ostnes, Ariana Preshaw, Victoria Raquepaw's cousin,
Ashley & Sherri Stephens, Stephens Family in their loss of Laura (Babe).*

Our Prayer Partner Church: Shishmaref Lutheran Church

Prayer Shawls: available to bless those who need God's healing comfort. See Cindy Olsen.



Altar Flowers: To the glory of God!

Greeter: Sonja Campbell **Reader:** Pat Willson **Communion:** Janice Ostnes

Announcements

TODAY **Reopening Task Force** will meet after worship.

MONDAY **Foodbank, 1:00pm** help offload foodboxes for clients at church.
Mary Martha Women's Bible Study, 6:15pm at church & Zoom.
Contact is Lois Heine, 456-5722.

TUESDAY **Education Committee Meeting, 6:00pm** at church & Zoom.

WEDNESDAY **Confirmation, 6:00pm** with Pastor Lou.
Bible Study, 7:00pm facilitated by Pastor Lou. Join in the dialogue!
The next several weeks we will be discussing sexuality. Books are
available. We'll be in-person at the church and also on Zoom.

THURSDAY **Mitten Makers** meet from 1-4pm at church. Arlene Orbeck 474-0072.

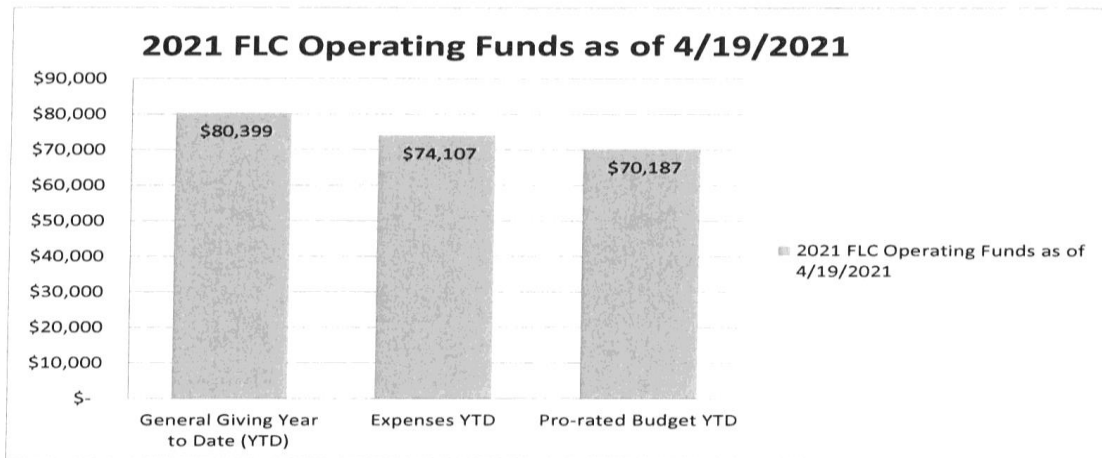
SATURDAY **Memorial Service** for **Bertha Bucher, 1:00pm** at the church.

NEXT SUNDAY, (May 2nd) we will be **recognizing all graduates**
(High School, College, Graduate Schools...) during worship.

If you have a graduate or know of a graduate, please let us know – we
would like to offer congratulations and prayers in recognition of their
accomplishments. *Please let us know as soon as possible.* Thank
you.



ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND GARAGE SALE is **May 6, 7, 8** from 10am-4pm. That's Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Volunteers are always needed! Sign up to help – see sign up list in the narthex or contact Arlene Orbeck, 474-0072.

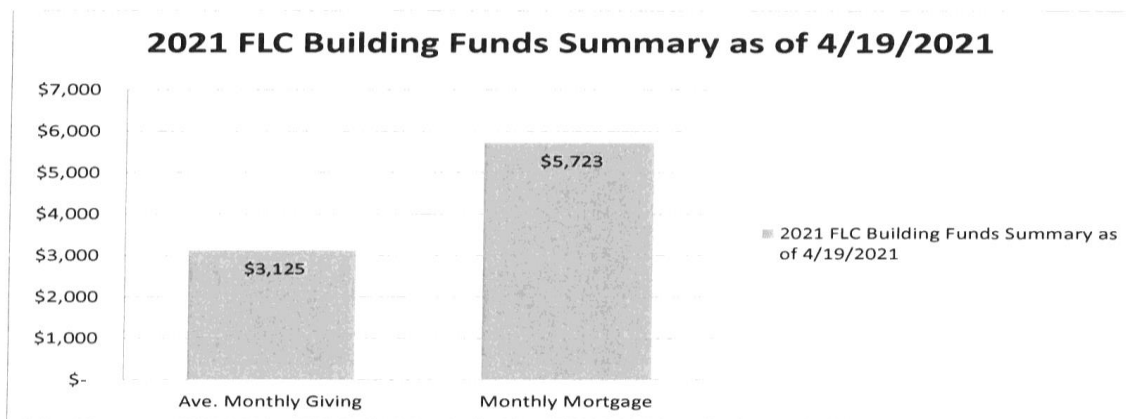


The 2021 Approved Budget \$235,030.00.

Synod Benevolence is paid through 6/30/2021.

Our unofficial garage sale items brought in \$8,201 for 2020. One third or \$2,708 went to Deferred Maintenance per our 2020 Annual Meeting vote. So far in 2021, Garage Sale items brought in over \$3,500!!

Painless ways to contribute to our operating funds: designate Fairbanks Lutheran Church at Fred Meyer Community Rewards; Thrivent members can direct their Thrivent Choice dividends to FLC and apply for 2 Thrivent Action Team grants per year; use Amazon Smile instead of Amazon.com; use our church phone number (907-452-3425) when checking out at Office Max/Depot. Every little bit helps!!



Our 4/19/2021 mortgage balance at Mission Investment Fund (MIF) is \$643,275.35 and steadily decreasing!! Approximately 62.5% of each monthly mortgage payment now goes to principal. We are paying 3.875% interest this loan cycle.

Please consider Simply Giving - a program which automatically deducts your giving from your bank account or credit card. See Cathy Birkliid. Simply Giving helps pay the bills with a steady stream of your donations, even while you're on vacation using the airline miles you've earned!

OFFICE HOURS – the church building is not open to the public, however we have opened the building to Bible Study Groups and we are worshipping in-person, online with Zoom and Facebook Live. Thanks for your patience.

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