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Third Sunday of Easter

"The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD"

WELCOME: To all of our guests and visitors we extend a warm and sincere welcome. To those seeking a church home, we offer fellowship with a living Redeemer, membership in His Church and citizenship in His Kingdom. Our message is as old as God's Word to mankind: Jesus Christ, crucified and risen for the salvation of mankind. Please sign our Guest Register as you leave the church.

**Order of Worship: Gathering Rite On Holy Baptism
pg 8 CWS followed by Service of the Word pg 40**

Hymns: 153, 375, 432
First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16
Psalm: Psalm 23, page 72
Second Lesson: 1 Peter 2:21-25
Gospel Lesson: John 10:11-16
Sermon Text: 1 Peter 2:21-25

Sermon Theme: "When you patiently endure unjust
suffering you're following your Shepherd's Lead"

1. He suffered for you
2. He's called you to walk in His footsteps

Organist: Mrs. Jill Kaiser
Worship leader: Pastor Ross Else

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship	8:00/10:30 am
	Growing in God's Word	9:15 am
	Board of Education	11:45 am
MONDAY	Budget Meeting	6:30 pm
TUESDAY	Board of Finance	6:00 pm
	Board of Properties	6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY	Bible Study	6:30 pm
SATURDAY	Grades 3-8 League Track Meet	9:00 am
	Emmaus Explorers	9 am-12 pm
	Confessional Service w/Lord's Supper	6:00 pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00/10:30 am
	Growing in God's Word	9:15 am

Lord's Supper - will be celebrated next Sunday. Please prepare your hearts accordingly this week.

"...we teach that through the operation of the Holy Spirit we are born anew and justified. But the sense is not that after regeneration no unrighteousness clings any more to the justified and regenerate in their being and life, but that Christ covers all their sins (which nevertheless in this life still dwell in nature) with His complete obedience. But despite this they are declared and regarded godly and righteous by faith and for the sake of Christ's obedience (which Christ rendered the Father for us from His birth to His most humiliating death upon the cross [Php.2:8]). Still, on account of their corrupt nature, they still are and remain sinners to the grave...

*23] For true contrition must precede; and to those who, in the manner stated, out of pure grace, for the sake of the only Mediator, Christ, without any works and merit, are righteous before God, that is, are received into grace, the Holy Spirit is also given, who renews and sanctifies them, and works in them love to God and to their neighbor. But since the beginning of renewal is imperfect in this life, and sin still dwells in the flesh, even in the regenerate, the righteousness of faith before God consists in the gracious imputation of the righteousness of Christ, without the addition of our works, so that our sins are forgiven us and covered, and are not imputed (charged against), Rom. 4:6ff
Formula of Concord Solid Declaration, Part 3. Paragraphs 22-23.*

First Lesson – Ezekiel 34:11-16

New King James Version (NKJV)

11 'For thus says the Lord God: "Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. 12 As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day. 13 And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14 I will feed them in good pasture, and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel. There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15 I will feed My flock, and I will make them lie down," says the Lord God. 16 I

will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment."

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Second Lesson – 1 Peter 2:21-25

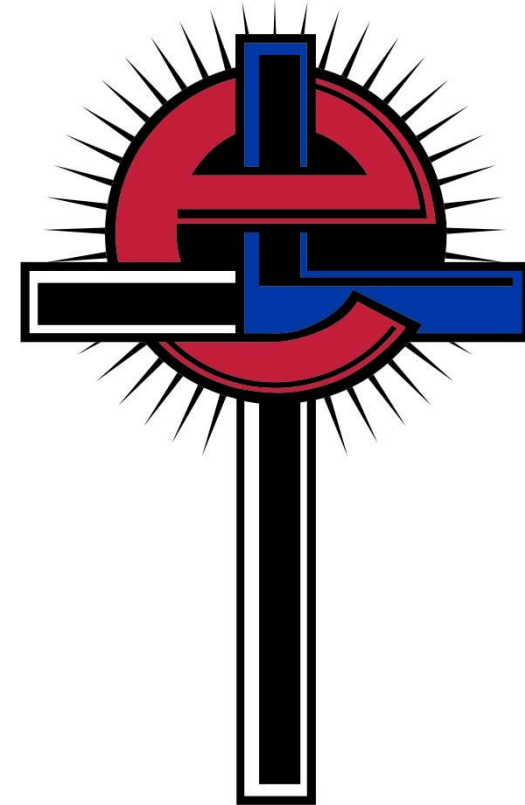
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21 For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: 22 "Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth"; 23 who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously; 24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness--by whose stripes you were healed. 25 For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Gospel – John 10:11-16

New King James Version (NKJV)

11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep. 12 But a hireling, he who is not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. 13 The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. 15 As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. 16 And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd.



"Our Good Shepherd lives!"

Announcements

In Our Prayers -

Those who mourn - Ray Romero and family, as they mourn the sudden death of Ray's great-niece Abigail. May the Lord, through His word, comfort, strengthen and give them hope in His unfailing promises of life and peace in Christ.

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Sally Smith, (friend of Karen Osborn), Anthony McCullough, (Sandy Griffiths' grandson) Pastor David Beckman, cancer, Barb Widmann, Vita Marie Tollefson, Dylan Denneson, Julie Patterson, (daughter-in-law of Jim and Judy Patterson), cancer, Theodore & Colette Bodjanac, Josh and Zach Soto, Barb Wendt, Kathy Boyd, Vince Wallenberg, Ellen King, Paul Krause, Cynthia Mayotte, Diane Scheel, Jennifer Ellis.

Our shut-ins - Adeline Schwandt & Harold Weimer

Those who are - sick, unemployed, traveling, celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, serving in the military, single, married, parents, children.

Grades 3-8 League Track Meet - will be held this Saturday, 4/16, at Glendale Community College (59th Ave & Olive). The meet will start at 9:00 am. Come out and cheer for our students!

Emmaus Explorers - will meet this Saturday, 4/16, from 9 am to noon. The April activity will be learning procedures for camp setup in preparation for the May 20-23 camping trip to Houston Campground in Payson.

Sunday School - Please join us between services from 9:15 - 10:15 am for the further study of God's Word. There is Sunday School for ages 3 through high school and also Bible Study for the adults.

Preschool - grade 3 meet in Rm1	"Parable of the Two Sons"
4 th - 6 th grade meet in Room 1	Bible Study
7 th grade - High School age	"Tithes & First Fruits"
Adults meet in the Fellowship Hall	Luther's Large Catechism

Bathrooms/Baby Changing Tables - are located in the Fellowship Hall, which is the large building in front of the church. (The building closest to the parking lot) There are changing tables in both bathrooms for your convenience. The bathrooms are located on the east end of the building.

Children's Bulletins - We have special bulletins for our children each Sunday. The ushers will have them when they are handing out the weekly bulletins. Please feel free to ask them for this bulletin. Crayons are also available from the ushers. Each week's bulletin will correspond with the current week of the church year calendar.

Worship Attendance

Sunday, April 3rd - 127 (87 - 8:00 am, 40 - 10:30 am)

<u>Income from week ending April 3, 2016</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$5108.01	\$5108.01
School	\$575	\$575
Preschool/Extended Care	\$972.27	\$972.27
Mortgage	\$1310	\$1310