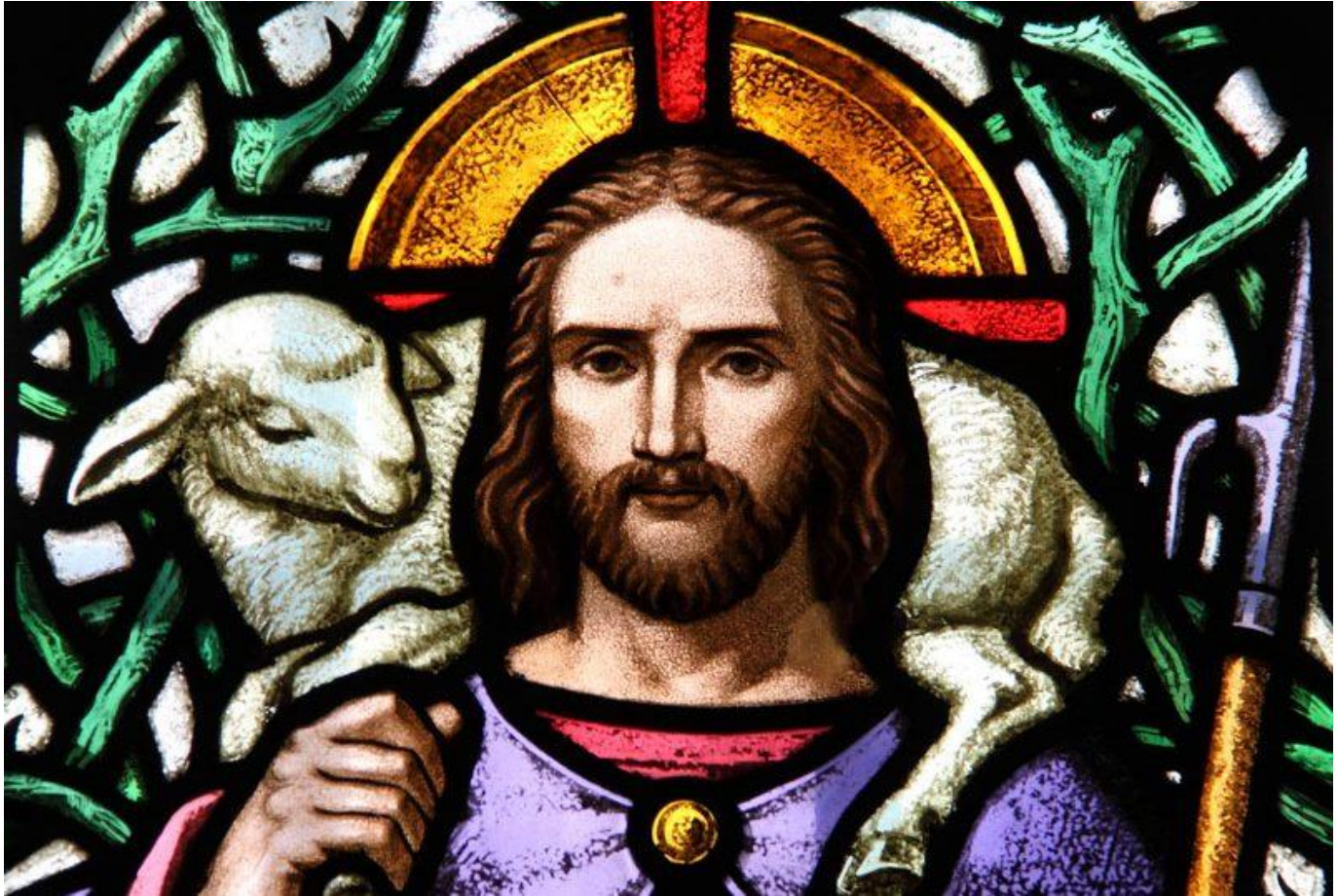


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I AM the good shepherd

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

4 EASTER

APRIL 26, 2026 ✉ 9:30 AM

**PREACHING TODAY:
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**WELCOME TO ALL
who join us today for worship!**

Most everything you need is printed in this bulletin. Hymns are found in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) hymnal.

- **Rest room facilities** are located in the hallway south of the Atrium.
- **Large print bulletins and hearing enhancement devices** are available. Please ask an Usher for assistance.
- **Everyone's encouraged** to record your name on the attendance sheets found in the attendance folders at the end of each pew. Any special requests (prayers, visits, inclusion in mailings, etc.) may be written on these sheets.
- **Wooden offering box** for contributions is located in the center aisle at the rear of the Sanctuary.
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- **Please silence** your cell phone or switch it to vibrate.

*** The congregation please stand as you are able.**

**Got a question about CELC? Feel free to contact the church office at
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4 EASTER

April 26, 2026

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

The Good Shepherd - Carl Wilhelm Kern
One Flock, One Shepherd - Gilbert M. Martin
Joanne Vasey, organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

The Lord's My Shepherd
AMAZING GRACE; Setting by John Carter
Parish Choir Joanne Vasey, piano

* THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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.

Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.

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** *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* - ELW # 883

* **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.

* **KYRIE** *Lord, Have Mercy* ELW pp. 138-139

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW pp. 140-141

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
 Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

P O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47

⁴² The baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³ Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19-25

¹⁹ It is a commendable thing if, being aware of God, a person endures pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰ If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do good and suffer for it, this is a commendable thing before God.

²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

²² "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." ²³ When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

²⁵ For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



* THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 10:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the tenth chapter:

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said: ¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.

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

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Charlene Rineer

SERMON

The Rev. Katy Moran

* HYMN OF THE DAY

Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us - ELW # 789

* THE APOSTLE'S CREED

P Living together in trust and hope with believers around the world, we confess our common 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 into 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 THE PEOPLE

A 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.

P Shepherding God, draw all people to yourself and lead them in paths of righteousness. Embolden your church to enter the valleys of the world and guide us beside the still waters of your grace. We pray for military and prison chaplains serving near and far. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Creator God, by the resurrection of your Son, show us your steadfast love and instruct our hearts in your ways. Help us to revere and protect the wonders of your creation. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P Righteous Judge, strengthen and uphold those who work for justice and advocate for human rights. Bring an end to oppression and save us from the temptation of violence or vengeance. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A Great Physician, walk with those who are grieving, and anoint those who are ill or injured especially those we name aloud or in our hearts (*brief pause*). Restore them to health of body, mind, and spirit. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P Good Shepherd, continually seek us out as lambs of your flock, and form us into a community where all are honored and cared for. Spread a feast before us and fill our cups to overflowing. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A Living God, we praise you for the saints who have died in faith and now dwell in your love. At our end, bring us, with them, to our heavenly home. 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.**

*** SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

(Worshippers are encouraged to share the greeting "Peace be with you" with one another.)

OFFERTORY INTERLUDE

His Sheep Am I - Orien Johnson
Joanne Vasey, organ

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*** DOXOLOGY**

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds – ELW #367 (Stanza 4)

**Adoring praises now we bring
and with the heav'nly blessed sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
Be to the Father, and our Lord,
to Spirit blessed, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*** OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus,

C Amen.

*** THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

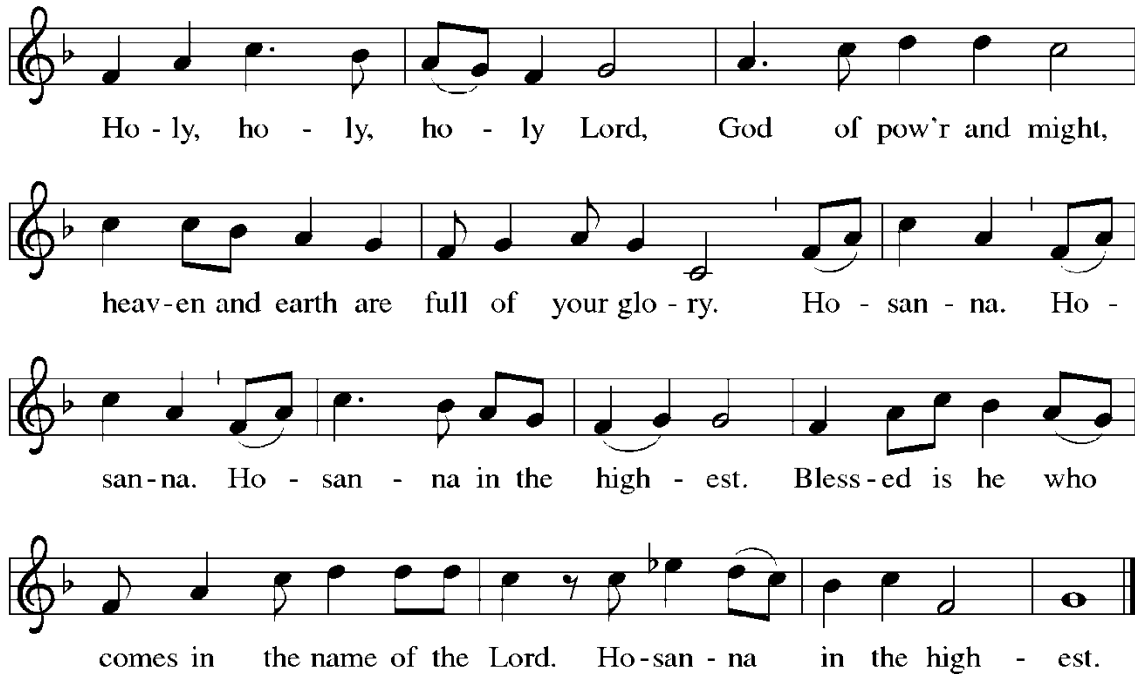
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to You, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with the earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and angels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

P Holy God, mighty and merciful, your people praise you, saying:
Your mercy endures forever.

C Your mercy endures forever.

P By your promise you bound yourself to earth and all its creatures,
granting them life and calling them to flourish,
setting the sign of your bow in the clouds,
the colors of your love and faithfulness.
Your mercy endures forever.

C Your mercy endures forever.

P By your promise you bound yourself to your people of old,
blessing them with family outnumbering the stars
and calling them to be a blessing to others,
showing them steadfast love in every generation
and calling them to be a light to the nations.
Your mercy endures forever.

C Your mercy endures forever.

P By your promise you joined us to Jesus, your Beloved,
grafting us into your living vine,
and calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love.

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.

P 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.

P With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

P Send your Holy Spirit upon us and these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless us to be a blessing. Make us a sign of your faithfulness.
Send us to tend and cherish the earth and to serve the world with mercy and love.

P With all the saints in light, with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus,
in your Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us saying:

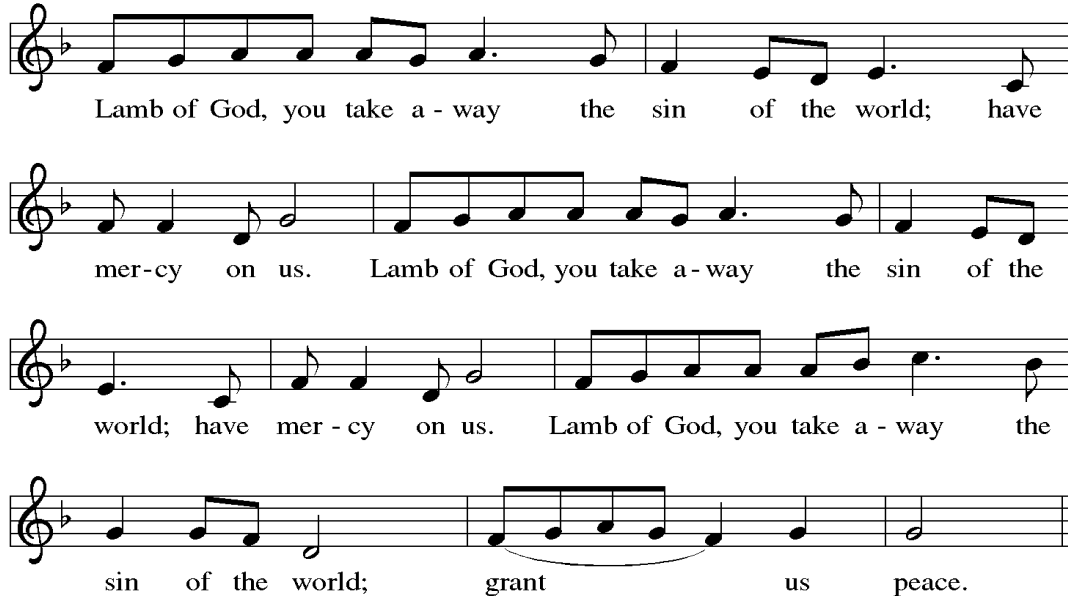
**C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.**

* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI

ELW P. 146



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need
American Folk Hymn; Arr. Mack Wilberg
Parish Choir Joanne Vasey, piano

COMMUNION HYMN

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart - ELW # 484

* POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you
in his grace.
C **Amen.**

* POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.**

*** BENEDICTION**

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**

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing - ELW # 544

*** DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

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

*** POSTLUDE**

Concertino (Based on a Bach fragment) - Gordon Young
Joanne Vasey, organ

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THANKS to the Parish Choir for providing today's anthems for worship.

Mini-Music Sunday with Pop-Up Orchestra Coming May 31

Get your old band or orchestra instrument out of the closet and plan now to participate! All ages and experience levels welcome. Music will be provided ahead of time for individuals to practice on their own.

More info will be forthcoming. Also hoping to have anthems by many of our choirs and ensembles. If interested in playing in the Pop-Up Orchestra, please contact Joanne and Brandy.

April 26–May 3, 2026

Sunday, April 26 4 Easter Pastor Katy preaching	9:30am Holy Communion 10:45am Kunkel/Finance 10:45am Sunday School 6:30pm –8:00pm UYG Road Trip Bible Study @ St. Paul's
Monday, April 27	9:15am Counters 6:30pm Parish Peal Handbell Choir 7:00pm –8:00pm Al-Anon-YR
Tuesday, April 28	6:30pm Council meeting 9:15pm Assemble May newsletter - Parlor
Wednesday, April 29	9:00am Holy Sew 'N' Sews-LCH 6:00pm Theology on Tap - Rusty Rail
Thursday, April 30	6:00pm Men's Bible Study - Parlor
Friday, May 1	6:00pm UYG Spring Retreat @ CML
Saturday, May 2	4:00pm UYG Spring Retreat @ CML
Sunday, May 3 5 Easter Pastor Katy preaching	9:30am Holy Communion 10:45am Sunday School 4:30pm Trivia Night - MLC

ATTENDANCE: April 19, 2026: 9:30am: 91

EXPENDITURES & CONTRIBUTIONS ANALYSIS

	<u>Month of Mar. 2026</u>		<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Contributions Made	\$ 19,164	\$	71,936
Actual Expenses	<u>27,700</u>		<u>84,649</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	\$ (8,536)	\$	<u>(12,712)</u>
Actual Expenses	\$ 27,700	\$	84,649
Budgeted Expenses	<u>26,783</u>		<u>83,909</u>
Expenses Over (Under) Budget	<u>\$ 917</u>	\$	<u>739</u>