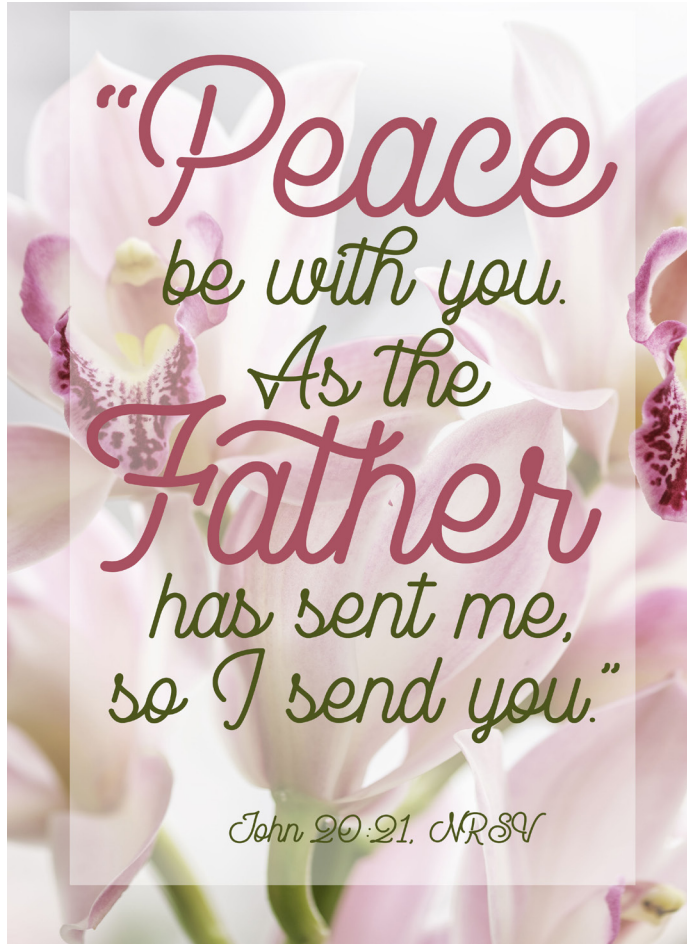


Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024

10:00 am Worship



McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

SHARE GOD'S WORD | SHOW GOD'S LOVE | SERVE GOD'S WORLD

This Week at MLC

Monday, April 8

9:00 am - Giving Quilters
6:00 pm - Local Missions
6:30 pm - Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 9

8:30 am - "Piece" Corp Quilters
1:00 pm - Elizabeth Circle

Wednesday, April 10

7:00 am - High School Breakfast
9:00 am - Rachel Circle
6:15 pm - Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm - Vocal Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 11

5:00 pm - Finance Committee
6:30 pm - Men's Basketball

Saturday, April 13

5:00 pm - Worship
6:00 pm - Game Night

Sunday, April 14

8:00 am - Worship
9:00 am - Sunday School
9:00 am - Confirmation
9:15 am - Facetime
10:00 am - Worship/Baptism
11:00 am - Kid's Chorus Practice

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Preacher - Pastor Kelli Schmit
Assisting Minister - Deb Hettrick
Lector - Jane Blank
Musicians - Kate Kroes, Chris Landerud,
Deb Nygaard
Pianist - John Scoville
Ushers - Jessica Schuster, Rick Hall
Communion - Deb Hettrick, Jane Blank
Sacristans - Heleen Hayden,
Jacqui Landerud
AV Leader - Chris Olson
AV Assistant/Training - Jessica Schuster
Door Close -

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Gathering

A time to prepare ourselves for worship.

GATHERING

“Open The Eyes of my Heart Lord”

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see you I want to see You

I want to see you I want to see You
Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see you I want to see you

To see you high and lifted up
Shining in the light of your glory
Pour out your pow’r and love as we sing
Holy holy holy

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Shining in the light of your glory
Pour out your pow’r and love as we sing
Holy holy holy

Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your

forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OPENING SONG

“I Want to Walk As A Child of the Light”

**I want to walk as a child of the light
I want to follow Jesus
God set the stars to give light to the world
The star of my life is Jesus**

Refrain

**In him there is no darkness at all
The night and the day are both alike
The Lamb is the light of the city of God
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus**

**I want to see the brightness of God
I want to look at Jesus
Clear sun of righteousness shine on my path
And show me the way to the Father**

Refrain

**I'm looking for the coming of Christ
I want to be with Jesus
When we have run with patience the race
We shall know the joy of Jesus**

Refrain

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

A: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all

that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING **Acts 4:32-35 (NRSV)**

L: Word of God, word of life.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING **1 John 1:1--2:2 (NRSV)**

L: Word of God, word of life.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Come Touch"

**Come touch his healing hands
Come touch his wounded side
And feel the love that waits
Like a bride-groom for the bride**

**Come touch his healing hands
Come touch his wounded side
And feel the love that's giving
Broken hearts new life**

**Out-stretched arms waiting for
Your love's embrace always**

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the 20th chapter:
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL
John 20:19-31 (NRSV)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE
The Uganda Mission Team

SONG OF THE DAY

Here I Am, Lord

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APOSTLES' CREED

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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: God of grace. {following each prayer petition}
C: **Receive our prayer.**

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

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

*Please greet one another in the name of the Lord with the words
"Peace be with you."
After passing the peace of the Lord the congregation may be seated.*

Holy Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

“He Is Risen”

**Early morning break of dawn
Stumbling to the tomb
Standing awestruck wondering who
Rolled away the stone
And as the sun came up
Amazed they looked inside
And saw an angel clothed in light
Don't be afraid He is alive**

Chorus

**He is risen
Hallelujah hallelujah
Christ is risen
Let the whole world sing
Christ is risen
Christ is risen from the dead

Sing with all creation sing
Of a world made new
In His life we too may live
Bursting from the tomb
And looking up we see
Our King enthroned on high
His wounds of love now glorified
Rejoice for soon He'll burst the skies**

Chorus

**He is risen
Hallelujah hallelujah
Christ is risen
Let the whole world sing**

Chorus

Christ is risen from the dead

Chorus

OFFERING PRAYER

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 God thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

BLESSING FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING ONLINE

P: The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE DISTRIBUTION

You are welcome at this table, the Lord's Table. Jesus is fully present to each of us in the bread and the wine. Please come forward to receive this gift of grace. If you would prefer gluten free or grape juice, please let your server know. This gift is "for you." A blessing will be given to those of any age who come forward and do not commune. The ushers will direct you as to how and when to come forward.

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Your Mercy"

I once was lost I walked away
The road was dark I could not see
My hope was gone the pain was real
But Your mercy

You saw my steps You felt my fears
You heard my cries You caught my tears
Arms open wide You ran to me
With Your mercy

chorus

Your mercy Your mercy
I stand before my king
And bow my heart to sing
You saved me You raised me
You died so I could live
No greater love than this
Your mercy Your mercy

You give me life beyond the grave
My deepest shame is cast away
You sing a song that covers me
It's Your mercy

Chorus

Your loving-kindness
Leads me to repentance
(repeat)

Lord let your kindness
Lead us to repentance
(repeat)

Chorus

Lord Your mercy Your mercy

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to our neighbors

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

"My Redeemer Lives"

I know he rescued my soul
His blood has covered my sin
I believe, I believe

My shame He's taken away
My pain is healed in His name
I believe, I believe

I'll raise a banner
My Lord has conquered the grave

My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives
My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives

(Repeat song)

SENDING

A: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

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

POSTLUDE

MLC QR Code for Financial Giving



Welcome, Guests!

We love having guests at MLC, and we welcome you to participate fully in worship with us today! Please allow us to thank you for worshiping with us by completing a "Welcome to Worship" card in front of you in the pew-chair racks. You can put the card in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher. Thank you, and we invite you to join us again. May God bless and keep you!

Latest News

Altar Flowers are given **in honor of Rosalie Richardson's 80th birthday** by Ashley & Erik Schuchardt and family.

Communion wine is given **in honor of Jeff & Susan's anniversary** by Jeff & Susan Bauer.

Last week's attendance:

Maundy Thurs:	70	Saturday 5:	63
Good Friday:	85	Sunday 8:	181
Total:	155	Sunday 10:	266
		Total:	510

Council Corner March 2024

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

At the March 19 Council meeting, Council members discussed the importance of all the many devoted volunteers in our congregation who make it possible for McFarland Lutheran Church to carry out our mission: to share God's word, to show God's love, to serve God's world. The contributions of our many volunteers cannot be overstated or even comprehensively listed. We volunteer because we love God and because we truly are His hands and His feet reaching out to help and serve others. God gives us the personal gifts, the strength, and the opportunities to serve our congregation and each other. The Council wants to **SINCERELY THANK** the many people who volunteer in so many different capacities here at McFarland Lutheran Church. We also want to encourage all members to recognize their individual God-given gifts and to share those gifts with others whenever possible!

Kids Chorus Will Be Singing More!

Our youngest vocalists shared their musical gifts in worship. It was such a hit that they're invited to participate again!

Rehearsals will be in the sanctuary on Sundays immediately following the 10:00am worship for roughly 15 minutes. Students will sing during the 10:00am worship.

Rehearsals on April 7 and 14. Sing on April 21.

All students are welcome to participate!

First Communion Instruction for 2nd Graders!

All 2nd Graders (plus a parent/grandparent/fun adult) are invited to join a Communion Instruction Day in preparation for receiving their First Communion!

Join us for conversation Wednesday, May 1 (4:00 - 5:30pm) – OR – Saturday, May 4 at (9:00 - 10:30am). We will meet downstairs in Room 113.

Celebrate your First Communion at any worship service the **weekend of May 4 & 5.**

If interested, RSVP by April 24 to Pastor Kelli (kschmit@mcfarlandlutheran.org)

“The Most Fun You Will Have In A Yellow T-Shirt!”

Please join the Local Missions Committee and volunteer at the Madison Brat Fest on Saturday, May 25 between 10am-2pm, with check-in 20 minutes prior to your shift. **The INITLIVE registration website (see below) goes live on March 15 th at 10AM.** Volunteer shifts fill up quickly, so log in right away at 10AM to create an account and sign up for a slot. Positions are assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. Minimum age to volunteer is 14. Volunteers receive a yellow Brat Fest t-shirt, coupon good for a free food item, a free scoop of Chocolate Shoppe ice cream, and earn \$10 for every volunteer hour, which will go to McFarland Lutheran Church. More information to come closer to the Brat Fest date. If you have any questions or problems signing up, please contact Paul Hundt at (608) 225 - 0377 or hundtsi1@yahoo.com.

Sign-Up at <https://app.initlive.com/JE/2lh0kiwu5hyftv>

Walk4Water 2024

The Global Mission Team wants to invite a few more people to our innovative and fun W4W planning committee this year! The 2024 Walk4Water will be held Saturday, September 21st at McDaniel Park.

The time commitment is minimal and a lot is accomplished with emails. We meet as needed to establish timelines and divide up assignments. We will also be assembling the amazing and artistic silent auction baskets!

Over the past ten years, MLC has raised enough money to drill nearly eleven bore holes with sustainable wells in rural Ugandan villages. Thanks be to God, our church and the community for bringing safe, clean water to these very grateful people! The need for wells continues as so many people still rely on dirty and unreliable water sources.

We would really love to get some new people involved with planning the Walk. So if you have ever thought "WOW - the people on that committee seem to have such a great time" this is your big chance!

Please contact Gudrun Sindermann with questions, suggestions or to help us out at gudrun1213@gmail.com. Thank You and God's Peace!


Book Club Schedule

The book club **meets on the third Tuesday of the month, 10:00 am** at the Skaalen Village Clubhouse. If you have any questions, please call Cheryl Ackley at 608-838-3329.
Hope to see you there.

April 16 - *Finding Me: A Memoir* by Viola Davis

May 21 - *Gertrude Bell: Queen of the Desert, Shaper of Nations* by Georgina Howell

Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday / 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Friday / 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

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Worship Services: Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am

Pastoral Team:	Pastor Kelli Schmit*, Associate Pastor
Lay Staff:	Chris Landerud, Coordinator of Youth Ministries John Scoville, Organist/Pianist
Administrative Team:	Rita Jenkins*, Office Manager Heather Wedan, Administrative Assistant
Musicians:	Deb Nygaard, Chris Landerud, Kate Kroes
Custodians:	Ken Brost, Sharon Strattan
CLM Administrator:	Sara Phelan* 838-4425
CLM Program Director:	Deb Nygaard
CLM Preschool Teachers:	Jessica Liston, Jane Updike, Michelle Sampson, Jenny Foye, Katie Schaaf, Beth Daoust-Miller, Sara Phelan, Deb Nygaard, Brooke Ruengpinyophun, Kayla Langman
CLM School Age Teacher:	Hailey Clark, Olivia Schmidt, Ashlee Bittrick, Katherine Houle Ashlyn Altenberger, Tess Williams, Lily Gallegos
CLM Childcare Teacher:	Rachel Scott, Kayla Langman, Kaitlyn Ackley

**Designates full-time staff; others are part-time*

2023-2024 Council Members

Doug Buechel	Jane Licht (Secretary)
Wayne Corey	Sharon Mylrea (Vice-president)
Mike Devine (Treasurer)	Scott Potts (President)
Christina Hughey	Jon Schadeberg
Paul Hundt	Sarah Schutt
Erin Kraemer	Carri Wolff
Matt Lancaster	

McFarland Lutheran's Worldwide & Local Partnerships

Our Companion Synod:	Northern Evangelical Lutheran Church of India
Our Missionary in Egypt:	Rev. Christie Manisto
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