

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

10:00 am Worship



**McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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# This Week at MLC

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## **Monday, April 29**

9:00 am - Giving Quilters

6:30 pm - Boy Scouts

## **Tuesday, April 30**

8:30 am - "Piece" Corp Quilters

6:30 pm - MLC Orientation Class

## **Wednesday, May 1**

7:00 am - High School Breakfast

4:00 pm - First Communion Class

7:30 pm - Vocal Choir Rehearsal

## **Saturday, May 4**

7:30 am - Women's Bible Study

7:30 am - Men's Bible Study

9:00 am - First Communion Class

5:00 pm - Worship/First Communion

## **Sunday, May 5**

8:00 am - Worship/First Communion

9:00 am - Sunday School

9:00 am - Confirmation

9:15 am - Facetime

10:00 am - Worship/First Communion

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**Preacher** - Pastor Kirsten Worzala-Dumke

**Assisting Minister** - Deb Hettrick

**Lector** - Molly Sanders

**Musicians** - Kate Kroes, Chris Landerud,  
Deb Nygaard

**Pianist** - John Scoville

**Ushers** - Dale Marsden

**Communion** - Brenda Moen,  
Cheryl Brown

**Sacristans** - JoAnn Sornson-Marsden,  
Jacqui Landerud

**AV Leader** -

**AV Assistant/Training** -

**Door Close** - Barbra Doran

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# Gathering

A time to prepare ourselves for worship.

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## GATHERING "Glorify Thy Name"

Father we love You  
We worship and adore You  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth  
Glorify Thy name  
Glorify Thy name  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Spirit we love You  
We worship and adore You  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth  
Glorify Thy name  
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Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Jesus we love You  
We worship and adore You  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth  
Glorify Thy name  
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Glorify Thy name in all the earth

## WELCOME

## STEWARDSHIP MISSION MOMENT

### 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  
"Thank You Lord"

I come before You today  
There's just one thing that I want to say  
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord  
For all You've given to me  
For the blessings that I cannot see  
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord

Pre-Chorus

With a grateful heart  
With a song of praise.  
With an outstretched arm  
I will bless Your Name

Chorus

Thank You Lord  
I just want to thank you Lord  
Thank You Lord

I just want to thank you Lord  
Thank You Lord

For all You've done in my life  
You took my darkness and gave  
Me Your light  
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord  
You took my sin and my shame  
You took my sickness and healed  
All my pain  
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

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: O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, 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.

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## CHILDREN'S TIME

### FIRST READING **Acts 8:26-40 (NRSV)**

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

### SECOND READING **1 John 4:7-21 (NRSV)**

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

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "He is Lord"

**He is Lord, he is Lord, he is risen from the dead  
And he is Lord, ev'ry knee shall bow  
Ev'ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord**

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the 15th chapter:  
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## GOSPEL **John 15:1-8 (NRSV)**

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

Sermon  
Pastor Kirsten Worzala-Dumke

SONG OF THE DAY  
"Walk By Faith"

Will I believe You when You say  
Your hand will guide my ev'ry way  
Will I receive the words You say  
Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day

Chorus

Well I will walk by faith  
Well even when I cannot see  
Because this broken road  
Prepares Your will for me

Help me to rid my endless fears  
You've been so faithful for all my years  
With one breath You made me new  
Your grace covers all I do

Chorus

Well I'm broken  
But I still see Your face  
Well You've spoken  
Pouring Your words of grace

Chorus

Ending

Well hallelujah hallelu  
Well hallelujah hallelu

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.

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### OFFERING "Your Name"

As morning dawns and evening fades  
You inspire songs of praise  
That rise from earth to touch your heart  
And glorify Your Name

Jesus in Your Name we pray  
Come and fill our hearts today  
Lord give us strength to live for You  
And glorify Your Name

Chorus  
Your Name, is a strong and mighty  
tower  
Your Name, is a shelter like no other  
Your Name, let the nations sing it louder  
'Cause nothing has the power to save  
But Your Name

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 WORSHIPING 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

"Full Attention"

**May Your Voice be louder  
And may Your Voice be clearer  
Than all the others  
Than all the others  
And may Your Face be dearer  
And may Your Words be sweeter  
Than all the others  
Than all the others in my life**



**Please keep my eyes fixed on You  
Please root my heart so deep in You  
Keep me abiding  
Keep me abiding  
Keep me abiding that I  
Oh that I might bear fruit**

**And may Your Presence be truer  
And may Your Presence be nearer  
Than all the others  
Than all the others  
And may Your Light shine brighter  
And may Your Love move deeper  
Than all the others  
Than all the others in my life**

**Please keep my eyes fixed on You  
Please root my heart so deep in You  
Keep me asking  
Keep my kneeling  
Keep me abiding that I  
Oh that I might bear fruit**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

## *Sending*

God blesses us and sends us in mission to our neighbors

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BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

“Mighty to Save”

**Everyone needs compassion  
A love that's never failing**

**Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness  
A kindness of a Savior  
The hope of nations**

Chorus

**Savior**

**He can move the mountains  
My God is Mighty to save  
He is Mighty to save  
Forever**

**Author of salvation**

**He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave**

**So take me as You find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in  
Now I surrender  
Yes I surrender**

Chorus

Bridge

**Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King...Jesus  
(repeat)**

Chorus  
(repeat)

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 memory**  
**George & Marilyn Wells** by the John and Diane Wells.

Communion wine is given in  
**appreciation for those who make a**  
**difference in our lives** by Paul & Sue Hundt.

#### Last week's attendance:

Saturday 5:	49
Sunday 8:	82
Sunday 10:	109
<b>Total:</b>	<b>240</b>

### Congregational Information

#### Dane County Adopt-A-Highway

As part of McFarland Lutheran's stewardship efforts, in conjunction with the Dane County Adopt-A-Highway Program, we sponsor a portion of highway just south of McFarland along County Road B in the Town of Dunn. Our spring clean-up will be Saturday, May 11. We meet at 8:00 a.m. at the Dunn Town Hall (corner of Keenan Road and Cty. Road B). The clean-up takes about one hour. Please contact Jacqui Landerud if you would like to volunteer (daveandjacqui@gmail.com). Thank you.

#### Gift Basket for Pastor Peter Erickson

Thanks to all who donated or pledged a gift for our new senior pastor. If you wish to contribute something, please let Jane Licht (licht.jane@gmail.com) know by May 12. Here is what we have so far: Marsden Honey, Bucky Badger playing cards, Kwik Trip gift card, Maple Tree gift card, Angelo's gift card, bottle of wine from Wollersheim's, Living Waters of Grace note cards, MLC directory, MLC history book, History of McFarland book, Wisconsin book, Quilt by the MLC quilters, Wisconsin tea towel, 2 Badger football tickets, Badger T-shirt, Packer T-shirt, cribbage set (maybe).

## Council Corner

The Council has been discussing and planning for the arrival of our new Senior Pastor. Pastor Peter Erickson has accepted our call and will be coming to us from Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls, Montana, where he has served as pastor for the past 17 years. Pastor Peter's personal ministry statement describes how he views his role and the trust he places in God:

*"Sent by God, I creatively and energetically preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. As a pastor, I share it compassionately with those in need. Leading, I inspire the church to be an active, inclusive community of the gospel. Personally, I trust God's guidance and strength in work and life."*

Pastor Peter will be joining our congregation in mid-May. We will be providing Pastor Peter with orientation to our congregation and will also be scheduling events that will provide an opportunity for our members to meet Pastor Peter. More specific information will be shared soon!

NAME TAGS – To assist Pastor Peter in learning members' names, the Council is asking all members to **please wear their personal name tags** when attending worship, meetings and other church events. Laminated, personal name tags are kept in the gathering space. If you don't have a name tag or if you need a new one, please contact Heather Wedan in our church office. Thank you!

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## Welcome Committee

The Welcome Committee along with Pastor Kelli has developed an updated MLC member 90- minute orientation session. These sessions were discontinued with the advent of the pandemic. They were designed for new members but since it's been a while, all members, and people who have joined since the pandemic, and those interested in formalizing their membership to MLC are invited to attend. There will be two sessions; one on Sunday, April 28 at 11:15 and the other on April 30 at 6:30 pm. Location will be in the Conference room. Please let Heather in the Church office know which one of these sessions you plan on attending by Friday April 26th.

Please feel free to contact any of the Welcome Committee Members listed below or Pastor Kelli if you have any questions.

Sandy Franklin—608-695-4586  
Tom Scharine— 608-556-8284  
Paul Hundt —608-225-0377

Carol Munch—608-239-3351  
Devon Christiansen —608-669-2859  
Sandy Hall —608-215-3999

## Kids Chorus - Thank You

The Kids Chorus brought joy and delight to our worship experience these past few months! A big thank you to the students for devoting their time in rehearsals and for sharing their musical gifts with us. And a big thank you to Deb Nygaard and Chris Landerud for coordinating the song selections and “performances,” and for encouraging the relationships and laughter. Thank you!

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### Men’s bible study

First Saturday/month, 7:30 a.m

Come and join the MLC men’s bible study group as we delve into God’s Word and enjoy fellowship time together. We are meeting on **Saturday, May 4th in room 125.**

Interested? Have questions? Please contact Jeff Gehrke at [jeffgehrke59@gmail.com](mailto:jeffgehrke59@gmail.com) or Scott Potts at [scottalan23@hotmail.com](mailto:scottalan23@hotmail.com)

### Women’s bible study

First Saturday/month, 7:30 a.m

Come and join the MLC women’s bible study group as we delve into God’s Word and enjoy fellowship time together. We are meeting on **Saturday, May 4th in room 210.**

Interested? Have questions? Please contact Sheri Gehrke at [sherilgehrke@gmail.com](mailto:sherilgehrke@gmail.com).

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## 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.

**May 21** - *Gertrude Bell: Queen of the Desert, Shaper of Nations* by Georgina Howell  
**June 18** - *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann

## **“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>

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## **Worship AV Volunteer Sign-Ups & Training Opportunities**

There is a need to grow our worship AV volunteer team. Recent training opportunities have helped involve new people. Thank you for your continued volunteer efforts!

### **How do I volunteer and learn how to run the worship slides, sound, and video?**

You can still simply sign-up on the online Worship Assistants Sign-Up – 8AM Worship Volunteers & 10AM Worship Volunteers on the church website.

There are now 2 AV volunteer sign-up slots: **AV Leader AND AV Assistant/Training**


- If you are a regular, experienced AV volunteer, you can sign-up as normal under “AV Leader” and you might possibly help teach or assist someone less familiar with the technology.

- If you are brand new, or are still learning, you can sign-up under “AV Assistant/Training” to gain live training and experience during the worship service.

- We would like to move towards a model where we have 2 people in the AV booth for each worship service to teach more volunteers, and to better run the various moving parts of slides, sound balance, video production, and the occasional troubleshooting issue.

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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:** Rosalie Richardson, Interim Choir/Handbell Director  
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

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 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
- Working Relationships With:** St. Andrews Refugee Services - Egypt  
Lutheran Church of the Reconciliation - Puerto Rico  
Hope 4 Kids International - Uganda  
Outreach for World Hope - Guatemala