

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024

10:00 am Worship

As you
SENT ME
into the world,



so I have
SENT THEM
into the world.



John 17:18, ESV



McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

This Week at MLC

Monday, May 13

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

Tuesday, May 14

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

Wednesday, May 15

7:30 pm - Vocal Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 16

5:00 pm - Finance Committee
6:30 pm - Personnel Committee

Friday, May 17

4:00 pm - Wafer Making

Saturday, May 18

No Saturday Worship

Sunday, May 19

8:00 am - Worship/Seed Blessing
10:00 am - Worship/Seed Blessing

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Preacher - Pastor Kirsten Worzala-Dumke

Presiding - Pastor Kelli Schmit

Assisting Minister -

Lector -

Musicians - Kate Kroes, Chris Landerud,
Deb Nygaard

Pianist - John Scoville

Ushers - Rick Hall, Sandy Hall

Communion - Brenda Moen, Theo Schmit

Sacristans -

AV Leader - Chris Olson

AV Assistant/Training -

Door Close - Rick Hall

Gathering

A time to prepare ourselves for worship.

GATHERING "Be Glorified"

In our life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified
In our life, Lord, be glorified today

In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified
In our song, Lord, be glorified today

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified
In your church, Lord, be glorified today

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
"Blessed Be Your Name"

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Pre-Chorus

Every blessing You pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in
Lord still I will say

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Bridge

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name

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: **Gracious and glorious God, you call us to reflect your love. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, 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 1:15-17, 21-26 (NRSV)**

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

SECOND READING **1 John 5:9-13 (NRSV)**

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

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Spirit of the Living God"

**Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me**

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the 17th chapter:
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL **John 17:6-19 (NRSV)**

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

Sermon
Pastor Kirsten Worzala-Dumke

SONG OF THE DAY
"Come As You Are"

Come out of sadness
From wherever you've been
Come broken-hearted let rescue begin
Come find your mercy
O sinner come kneel
Earth has no sorrow
That Heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow
That Heaven can't heal

Chorus

Lay down your burdens
lay down your shame
All who are broken lift up your face
O wanderer come home
You're not too far
So lay down your hurt
Lay down your heart
Come as you are

There's hope for the hopeless
And all those who've strayed
Come sit at the table
Come taste the grace

There's rest for the weary
Rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow
That Heaven can't cure

Chorus

Come as you are
Fall in His arms
Come as you are

There's joy for the morning
O sinner be still
Earth has no sorrow
That Heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow
That Heaven can't heal

Chorus

Come as you are
Come as you are
Come as you are

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

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.**

P: Siblings in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

New Members: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P: People of God, do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ?

C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

P: Let us welcome these siblings in Christ to this community of faith.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

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

"Give Me Jesus"

**In the morning when I rise
In the morning when I rise
In the morning when I rise
Give me Jesus**

Refrain
**Give me Jesus
Give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus**

**When I am alone
When I am alone
Oh, When I am alone
Give me Jesus**

Refrain
**When I come to die
When I come to die
Oh, When I come to die
Give me Jesus**

Refrain

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

"Praise the Father, Praise the Son"

**O sov'reign God O matchless King
The saints adore the angels sing
And fall before the throne of grace
To You belongs the highest praise**

**These sufferings this passing tide
Under Your wings I will abide
And ev'ry enemy shall flee
You are my hope and victory**

Chorus
**(Oh) Praise the Father praise the Son
(And) praise the Spirit Three in One
Clothed in power and in grace
The name above all other names**

**To the valley for my soul
Thy great descent has made me whole
Your word my heart has welcomed home
Now peace like water ever flows**

Chorus

**Yours is the kingdom Yours is the power
Yours is the glory forever
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Yours is the glory forever**

**(Oh) Praise the Father praise the Son
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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to our neighbors

GRATITUDE FOR PASTOR KIRSTEN

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

“Forever”

**Give thanks to the Lord our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good He is above all things
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise**

**With a mighty hand and outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that’s been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise
Sing praise sing praise**

Chorus

**Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us forever forever**

**From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God we will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise
Sing praise sing praise**

Chorus

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 Jane Chamber's 5th birthday** by the Chamber's Family.

Communion wine is given **in celebration of all mothers, grandmothers & caregivers for all you do** by the Chamber's Family.

Last week's attendance:

Saturday 5:	35
Sunday 8:	95
Sunday 10:	109
Total:	239

Congregational Information

Gift Basket for Pastor Peter Erickson

Thanks to all who donated 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, Quilt by the Giving Quilters, Wisconsin tea towel, 2 Badger football tickets, Badger T-shirt, Packer sweatshirt, Packer mug, Forage Kitchen gift card, Wisconsin History Day by Day, Ken's Meats & Deli gift card, Madison book, Wisconsin apron, candied pecans, McFarland House Café gift card, Pick 'n Save gift card, Wisconsin Magazine, and a Kozy Nuk Cafe gift card.

No Saturday Service, May 18

There will be no Saturday even worship service on May 18. Pastor Kelli will be at the annual synod event, Synod Assembly.

Welcoming Pastor Peter

Our congregation will soon be welcoming Pastor Peter Erickson as our new Senior Pastor. Pastor Peter will be joining us in worship on Sunday, May 19, at both the 8:00 am and 10:00 am services. (The Saturday worship service on May 18 will not be held because Pastor Kelli will be attending the Synod convention scheduled for that day.) A small celebration to welcome Pastor Peter will be held following both the 8:00 am and 10:00 am worship services on May 19 in the Family Life Center.

Pastor Peter's first day in our church offices will be on Monday, May 20. Plans are being made to help Pastor Peter acquaint himself with our congregation, including our mission, our ministries, our staff, and our administrative processes. Pastor Peter's email, phone contact information, and office schedule will be shared as soon as they're available.

Pastor Peter's installation as our Senior Pastor is scheduled for Sunday, June 30, at 9:00 am. In order for all our members to participate in the installation, we will be having only one worship service at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 30. (There will be no Saturday evening service, and no services at 8:00 am and 10:00 am on Sunday.) Bishop Joy Mortensen-Wiebe from the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin-ELCA will join us in worship that day and will officiate at Pastor Peter's installation. Following the installation service, a welcome celebration will be held in the Family Life Center. More details will be shared as plans are finalized.

We THANK GOD for the opportunity to welcome Pastor Peter into our congregation and we look forward to working with him in service to our Lord. Please keep Pastor Peter, his family, and our congregation in your prayers!

Name Tags

Laminated name tags for members are available on the kiosk in our gathering space. In order to help Pastor Peter (and everyone else!) get familiar with names and faces, we are asking members to PLEASE BEGIN WEARING YOUR NAME TAGS – to worship, to meetings, to church celebrations and gatherings. If you do not have a name tag, or if you need a new name tag, please contact Heather Wedan in our church office. Thank you!

VBS Save The Date

Vacation Bible School 2024! Save the Date! VBS will be held July 22nd through July 25th. More information to come.

Thank You Pastor Kirsten!

Pastor Kirsten Worzala-Dumke has journeyed with us as our Bridge Pastor since November 2023. Her final weekend at MLC is May 11 & 12. She accompanied us while continuing to serve her call as a Palliative Care Chaplain with UW Health. Thank you, Pastor Kirsten, for your ministry and proclamation of the gospel. We have been blessed by your presence and support during this time of congregational transition. Thank you!

Thank You, Dick Kohl!

Our custodian, Ken Brost, recently needed to devote his attention to family matters. In Ken's absence, the building continued to operate well and stay clean thanks to Dick Kohl. He stepped up and covered tasks typically attended to by Ken. Thank you, Dick, for your care and dedication to McFarland Lutheran Church. Thank you!

That's A Wrap on Another Year of Student Ministries!

Last Sunday, May 5, we had our final day of Sunday School and Confirmation for this programmatic year. It was a wonderful year of Student Ministries!

THANK YOU to the incredible students who made conversations and activities so fun! This year would not have been possible without adult participation, so THANK YOU to the teachers, leaders, and families who supported these ministries with your time, presence, and dedication!

We look forward to seeing everyone again in the fall!

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

First Communion

Congratulations to the following students who received their First Communion the weekend of May 4 & 5!


Emmy Angus
Aimee Geisinger
Oliver Kramer
Deisree Nicholson

Isla Angus
Colin Kraemer
Hannah Moran
Jacob Schuster

Update on Sanctuary Projectors

The projectors in our sanctuary play an important role in helping everyone participate in all aspects of our worship services. The current projectors are approximately ten years old, and one is not working at all. The model of these projectors is no longer being manufactured and repairing them is no longer a viable option. We received bids from vendors to purchase and install new projectors, and we are in the process of accepting one of these proposals. The new projectors will provide significantly brighter displays and will also have a significantly increased anticipated life span. Once the proposal is accepted, it's anticipated installation of the new projectors can be accomplished in three to six weeks (hopefully by the end of June). The cost of purchasing and installing these two new projectors is just under \$20,000. This is one of the "unexpected expenses" that periodically arise and is not covered by currently budgeted funds dedicated to "Properties". Generous members are stepping forward to help cover these expenses, and we owe them our SINCERE THANKS! Also, THANK YOU to Chris Landerud and Ron Vandenburg who both have devoted a lot of time and expertise to make this purchase possible!

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) |
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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