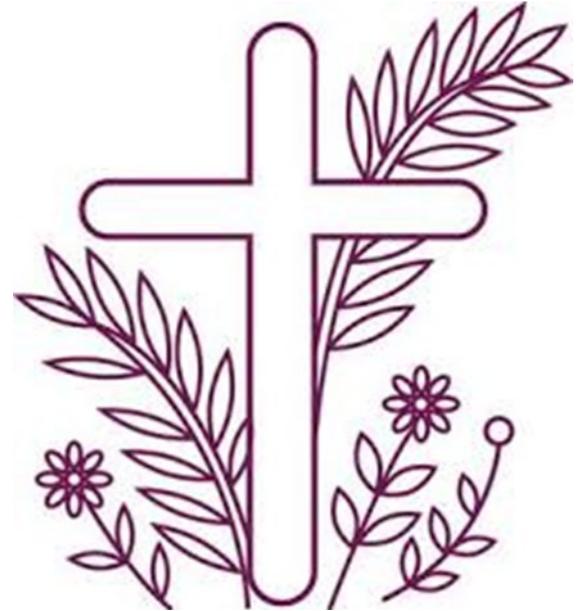


THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 15, 2026

8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite I



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Services: Sunday at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM

Our Sunday 10:00 AM service is livestreamed

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.



Virtual Worship Bulletins

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remain seated.

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins;

People **His mercy endureth for ever.**

THE DECALOGUE

Please stand or kneel as you prefer.

Celebrant God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Honor thy father and thy mother.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Thou shalt do no murder.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Thou shalt not steal.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Thou shalt not covet.

People **Lord have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

Celebrant If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8,9)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Please kneel or stand as you are able.

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. [*Silence is kept.*]
Most merciful God,

People **We confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Celebrant The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One.

All **Have mercy upon us.**

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All **Have mercy upon us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy Spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray... Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Lector *The First Reading is taken from 1st Samuel chapter 16...*

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23

Lector *We will read responsively from Psalm 23...*

Lector The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

People **He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

Lector He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

People **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

Lector You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

People **Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:8-14

Lector *The Second Reading is taken from Ephesians chapter 5....*

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

John 9:1-41

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Celebrant As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed

Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

Cindy Huffman

NICENE CREED *Please stand as you are able.*

People **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,**

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.

Celebrant Let us pray, remembering that our penitence is never disconnected from our gratitude, and that in our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we create a space for the abundant presence of God, responding to the cry of prayer with “Kyrie eleison.”

Lector For the church, that it may welcome those with heavy hearts, offer the prayers of thanksgiving that become our daily bread, forgive all those who enter, and repent of its own injustices, we pray:

People **Kyrie eleison.**

Lector For all those in authority and all the nations of the world, that our lust for power may be left at the foot of the cross, rendering our own plans as ash in light of the abundant God who showers joy and thanksgiving on all of creation, we pray:

People **Kyrie eleison.**

Lector For the good of the whole world, for the flourishing of those in need, for the wealthy to give away more and live with less, for generosity of love to be present in all of God’s people, that the whole world would turn toward gratitude and away from scarcity, we pray:

People **Kyrie eleison.**

Lector For those around us, that in this season of dying to ourselves, we might also die to one another, loving those around us more fervently, loving friend and stranger out of the heart of thanksgiving we find in our confession, we pray:

People **Kyrie eleison.**

Lector For all suffering, for humankind and all of creation, for illness, for the sin-sickness from which only God can give us rest, and for those on our prayer list and those we name aloud or in our hearts (*pause*) that we may be called during this season of devotion into caring for the suffering around us and inside of ourselves, with gratitude that God is with us in all of it, we pray:

People **Kyrie eleison.**

Lector For all who have died in hope of the resurrection and those we name aloud or in our hearts (*pause*) who join with us as we wait for resurrection this season, and for all the saints who have modeled perseverance for us as we become pilgrims in the wilderness, journeying toward the cross with gratitude as the light for our path, we pray:

People **Kyrie eleison.**

Lector For the reminder of your steadfastness that we receive when we are thankful, when we survey the riches of your grace, when we give thanks especially for the birthdays this coming week of Cyndy Fahnestock, Isabelle Schueler, Margaret Smith, and Wayne Morris, and for the anniversary of Hank and Marilyn Nalewajek, and when we count the blessings we now name, either aloud or in the silence of our hearts.... (*pause*) In our gratitude, we pray:

People **Kyrie eleison.**

Celebrant God of all mercy, we thank you that you hear our cries for forgiveness, for abundant life, for comfort in death, for resurrection into eternal life. May we bless the Lord, not forgetting all his benefits, his forgiveness of our iniquities, his healing all our diseases, the God who redeems us from the pit, who crowns us with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies us with good. Send us, we pray, into the world to love others out of gratitude for God's love for us, that we may follow in Christ's commandment to love God and love one another.

People **Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Please be seated.

THE PRESENTATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

People **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Please kneel or stand, as you choose.

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
People **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, for ever and ever. AMEN.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.

If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION

Brother James' Air

Dale Wood
(1934-2003)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.
People **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant announces the blessing.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God!**

VOLUNTARY

Prelude on NEW BRITAIN

Dale Wood

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Guest Preacher	Cindy Huffman
Organist	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Chalicer	Laura McGary
Lector	Michelle Schombs
Prayers of the People	Laura McGary
Ushers	Joe and Betty Lombardo



PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR

James C, Maryanne W, Pam, Pat C, Cathy and Dan C, Kayden and Kaylee, Linda R, Bob S, the people of Ukraine, Dana R, Tracy O, Jay O, Jay H, Gloria and Dan S, Carol C, Tony B, Lynne H, Butch N, Mary Ann W, Maureen B, Helen Marie, Bonnie S, Bill G, Priscilla B, Indra E, Mark and Maryellen, and Kam M.



CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Birthdays – Cyndy Fahnestock, Isabelle Schueler, Margaret Smith, and Wayne Morris

And omitted in error last week (apologies) – Stephanie Wagner

Anniversary – Hank and Marilyn Nalewajek

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Will You?: A Lenten Study of Baptismal Promises – Join Rev. Whitney and Cindy Huffman for a Lenten Study on the Baptismal Covenant. We will use Amanda Perkins McGriff's book *Will You?: A Lenten Study of Baptismal Promises* as a guide as we dive into this timely topic. Thursdays in Lent at 11:30 AM.

Lenten Organ Recitals – Tuesday, March 17th at noon, Kevin Johnson will be here at Good Shepherd.

Easter Flowers & Music – Donations are now being accepted toward music and flowers for our Easter services. To donate, please either fill out an envelope located in the church or complete the online form. Please clearly print if your donation is given in memory or in honor of loved ones. The deadline for receiving reservations and monetary donations in the church office or collection plate is Sunday, March 22nd, 2026. A minimum donation of \$25 is requested.

The Legacy Continues – If you ordered a book and have not picked it up you may do so from the church office. Books are still available for \$40.00.

Episcopal Relief & Development – During Lent we will be collecting offerings for Episcopal Relief & Development until Good Friday, April 3rd. Checks may be marked ERD in the memo section. You may also give online or by mail.

Holy Week Services – * *Livestreamed services*

Sunday, March 29, Palm Sunday, 8 AM and 10 AM*

Wednesday, April 1, Holy Wednesday, No Wednesday worship service

Thu, April 2, Maundy Thursday, 6:30 PM*, service including foot washing, stripping of altar
The Gethsemane Watch 8 PM – 8 AM, prayer vigil

Fri, April 3, Good Friday, 12 noon traditional worship
6:30 PM* Tenebrae Service

Sat, April 4, Easter Vigil, 6:30 PM service followed by celebratory reception

Sun, April 5, Easter Sunday, 8 AM and 10 AM* services,

Easter egg hunt at 11:30 AM on the playground

Regular Events

Wednesday Bible Study meets at 1:30 in the lounge.

Youth Group meets every 2nd Sunday at 11:30 in the Youth Room.

Soul Sisters meet every 3rd Saturday at 10 AM in Kirk Hall.

Dunedin Cares collection is sent every 3rd Sunday.

Cursillista meeting is today, March 15 following both services in the Patio Room.

Daughters of the King meet each 4th Sunday except in April, we will meet on April 19th.