

April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter



"We Preach Christ Crucified..."

- 1 Corinthians 1:23

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"Count the stars
**SO SHALL YOUR
DESCENDANTS BE."**

Genesis 15:5, NRSV

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As We Gather

Fresh from the battle against the kings of the East, Abram has been blessed with full assurance that the Lord is his shield. Yet Abram longs to know the details of how the Lord is his great reward. At the invitation to view the celestial beauty of the Lord's creation, Abram is assured the Lord's great reward would not only be a son but a nation. In striking contrast to doubting Thomas in today's Gospel reading, Abraham believed the Word of the Lord and it was credited to him as righteousness.

[Today's hymns are printed on pages 9-12 of the bulletin.]

✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

Hymn

TLH 201 – Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P Beloved of God: Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness

C **Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.**

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C Amen.

✠ The Service of the Word ✠

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, rhythmic style. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line.

Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to all peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, heav-enly king, al - might - y God and
Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we
praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the

The musical notation consists of nine staves of music in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, rhythmic style. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line. The third staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line. The fourth staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line. The fifth staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line. The sixth staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line. The seventh staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line. The eighth staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line. The ninth staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line.

Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the
 Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the
 Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Salutation

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

Prayer of the Day

- P** Let us pray...
 ... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Epistle Reading

Revelation 1:4-18

⁴ John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. ⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.” ⁹ I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of

the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰ I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹ saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea." ¹² Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴ The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵ his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶ In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. ¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸ and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 150

- P** Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary;
- C** **praise him in his mighty heavens!**
- P** Praise him for his mighty deeds;
- C** **praise him according to his excellent greatness!**
- P** Praise him with trumpet sound;
- C** **praise him with lute and harp!**
- P** Praise him with tambourine and dance;
- C** **praise him with strings and pipe!**
- P** Praise him with sounding cymbals;
- C** **praise him with loud clashing cymbals!**
- P** Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!
- C** **Praise the LORD!**

Gospel Reading

John 20:19-31

¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld." ²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve,

called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.” ²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” ²⁸ Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” ³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Alleluia

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are
 writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the
 Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sermon Text

Genesis 15:1-6

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ² But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³ And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” ⁴ And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” ⁵ And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ⁶ And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

*Sermon*

God Handles Our Doubts

Offertory

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O
 God. Re - new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me
 not a - way from Your pres-ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
 Spir-it from me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal-
 va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free Spir - it.

Hymn

TLH 514 – God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Offering Hymn

TLH 441 (1-2) – We Give Thee But Thine Own

1. We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

2. May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our first-fruits give!

General Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

TLH 17 – Oh, Worship the King

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TLH 201 – Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

Rom. 8: 11

Jesus lebt, mit ihm auch ich
Christian F. Gellert, 1757, ab.
Tr., Frances E. Cox, 1841, alt.

7. 8. 7. 8. 7. 7.

Jesus, meine Zuversicht
Johann Crüger, 1656



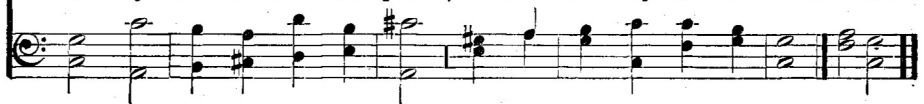
1 Je - sus lives! The vic-t'ry's won! Death no lon-ger can ap - pal me;
2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High o'er heav'n and earth is giv - en.
3 Je - sus livés! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus liv - ing,



Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave Christ will re - call me.
I shall go where He is gone, Live and reign with Him in heav-en.
Pure in heart and act a - bide, Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing.



Bright-er scenes will then commence; This shall be my con - fi-dence.
God is faith-ful. Doubtings, hence! This shall be my con - fi-dence.
Free - ly God doth aid dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi-dence. A-men.



4 Jesus lives! I know full well
Naught from me His love shall sever;
Life nor death, nor powers of hell
Part me now from Christ forever.
God will be a sure Defense;
This shall be my confidence.

5 Jesus lives! and now is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath
When I pass its gloomy portal.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense,
Jesus is my confidence!

TLH 40 – The God of Abraham Praise

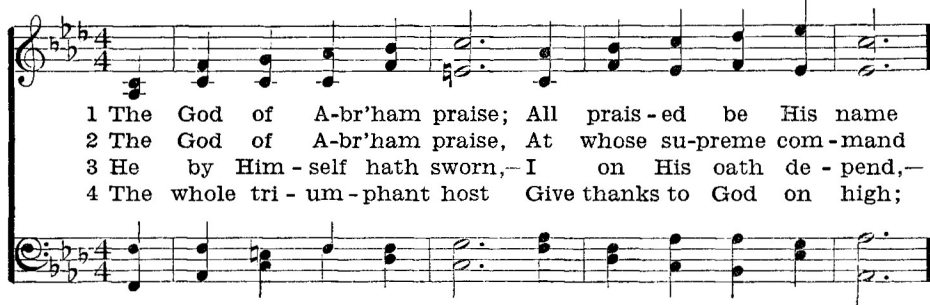
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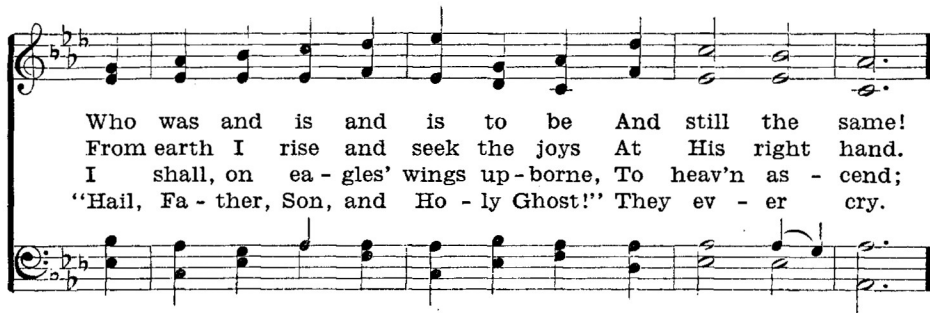
Thomas Oliver's, c. 1770, cento

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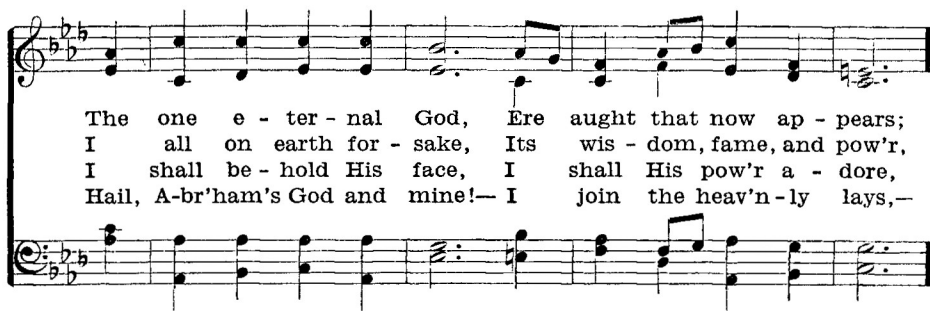
Hebrew melody, 17th century



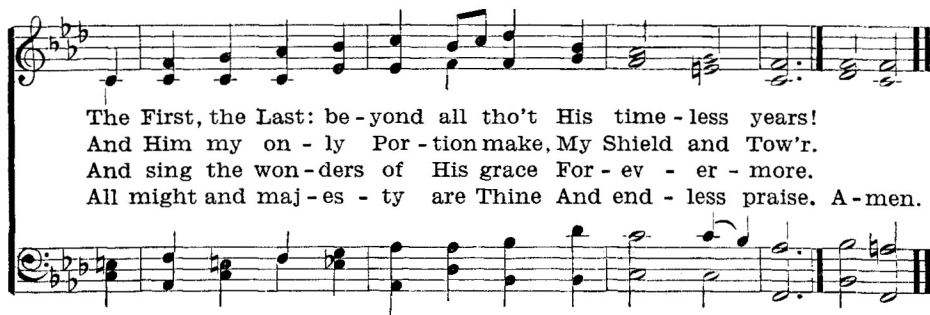
1 The God of A-br'ham praise; All prais-ed be His name
2 The God of A-br'ham praise, At whose su-preme com-mand
3 He by Him-self hath sworn,—I on His oath de-pend,—
4 The whole tri-um-phiant host Give thanks to God on high;



Who was and is and is to be And still the same!
From earth I rise and seek the joys At His right hand.
I shall, on ea-gles' wings up-borne, To heav'n as-cend;
“Hail, Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost!” They ev-er cry.



The one e-ter-nal God, Ere aught that now ap-pears;
I all on earth for-sake, Its wis-dom, fame, and pow'r,
I shall be-hold His face, I shall His pow'r a-dore,
Hail, A-br'ham's God and mine!— I join the heav'n-ly lays,—



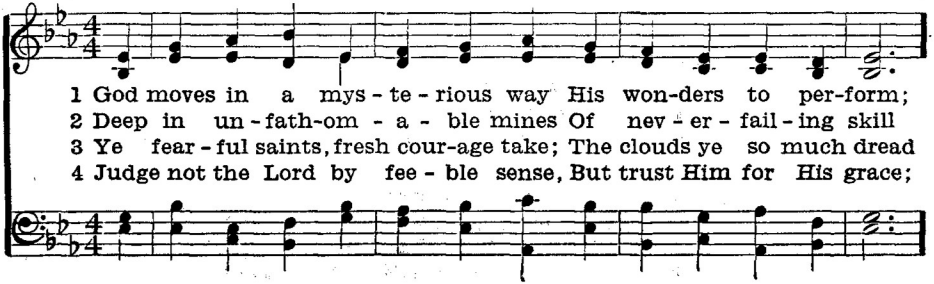
The First, the Last: be-yond all tho't His time-less years!
And Him my on-ly Por-tion make, My Shield and Tow'r.
And sing the won-ders of His grace For-ev-er-more.
All might and maj-es-ty are Thine And end-less praise. A-men.

TLH 514 – God Moves in a Mysterious Way

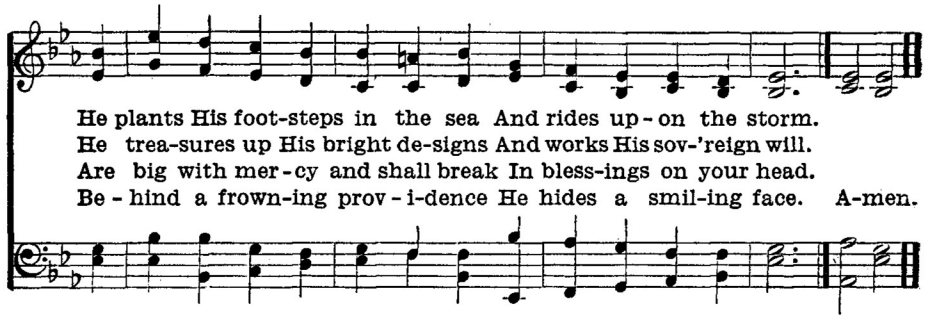
John 18: 7
William Cowper, 1774

C. M.

Dundee
"Scottish Psalter," 1615



1 God moves in a mys - te - rious way His won - ders to per - form;
2 Deep in un - fath - om - a - ble mines Of nev - er - fail - ing skill
3 Ye fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; The clouds ye so much dread
4 Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, But trust Him for His grace;



He plants His foot - steps in the sea And rides up - on the storm.
He trea - sures up His bright de - signs And works His sov - 'reign will.
Are big with mer - cy and shall break In bless - ings on your head.
Be - hind a frown - ing prov - i - dence He hides a smil - ing face. A - men.

5 His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.

6 Blind unbelief is sure to err
And scan His work in vain;
God is His own Interpreter,
And He will make it plain.

TLH 17 – Oh, Worship the King

5. 5. 5. 5. 6. 5. 6. 5.

Ps. 104
Robert Grant, 1833, alt.

Hanover
"New Version," Supplement, 1708

1 Oh, wor - ship the King All glo - rious a - bove;
2 Oh, tell of His might, Oh, sing of His grace,
3 This earth, with its store Of won - ders un - told,
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care What tongues can re - cite?

Oh, grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love,
Whose robe is the light, Whose can - o - py space!
Al - might - y, Thy pow'r Hath found - ed of old,
It breathes in the air, It shines in the light,

Our Shield and De - fend - er, The An - cient of Days,
His char - iots of wrath The deep thun - der - clouds form,
Hath stab - lished it fast By a change - less de - cree,
It streams from the hills, It de - scends to the plain,

Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor And gird - ed with praise!
And dark is His path On the wings of the storm.
And round it hath cast, Like a man - tle, the sea.
And sweet - ly dis - tils In the dew and the rain. A - men.

5 Frail children of dust
And feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust
Nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies, how tender,
How firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender,
Redeemer, and Friend!

6 O measureless Might,
Ineffable Love,
While angels delight
To hymn Thee above,
Thy humbler creation,
Though feeble their lays,
With true adoration
Shall sing to Thy praise.

✠ Announcements ✠

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in our Savior's name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will come back and join us again. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms and hymns that our Scripture-based liturgy offers. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please ask Pastor Sauers.

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OUR SCHEDULE: "If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

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April 24	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:15 am	Quarterly Voters' Meeting
April 24-27		Pastor Sauers in Eau Claire for Meetings
April 28	10:00 am	Bible Class
May 1	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service w/ Holy Communion
May 2	6:30 pm	Mission Committee Meeting
May 5	10:00 am	Bible Class
May 8	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service

Quarterly Voters' Meeting: Our quarterly voters' meeting will be held following the worship service. If you are a voter, please make plans to attend.

Kinship: The Kinship Committee is in need of individual sponsors for both orphans and seminarians in our overseas sister congregations. Fields of opportunity are continually expanding, as are the needs for support from those who are moved do to do. Please consider helping. Financial support ranges from \$25/month to \$50/month. For more information please see, call, email, or text Dan Roehl— danroehl@hotmail.com / 507-381-2042.

Have You Considered ILC?: Our Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, offers an academically excellent, Christ-centered college education. There are four-year degree programs in Education (BS) and Pre-Theology (BA), as well as a two-year Associate of Arts program. ILC offers a range of student aid to help you finance your education; apply by the May 1 deadline to receive priority consideration. If you are a high school junior or senior (or older) thinking about college, check out our academic and registration information at ILC.edu, or contact our CLC recruiter, Pastor Sam Rodebaugh, at sam.rodebaugh@gmail.com, cell (414) 534-7279.

Porcupine Mountains Youth Camp-Out: This year's camp will happen August 6-10 (Sat-Wed). This is for students entering grades 8-12. The total camp fee is around \$85. Go to tinyurl.com/porkies2022 to get more info and to register. Or, check out the printout posted on the bulletin board.

Traveling VBS: The TVBS committee has finalized our list of trips for this summer. We will be going to California, Washington, and North Dakota. We are now in need of volunteers to ensure we can make these trips possible. If you are interested in volunteering and would like more information please go to our website: <http://www.clctvbs.org/tvbs>. You will find information about the trips, this year's theme, and a registration form. If you have any questions you may use the 'contact us' link or email us directly at the email address below. Please let us know if you would like more information or have any questions. Thank you for considering!

CLC News: Pastor Mark Tiefel, Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, has accepted the call to Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI. + Teacher Ross Kok, Holy Cross Lutheran of Phoenix, AZ, has returned the call to teach K-4 at Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane, WA. + Allison Brown, a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI, has been called a second time to teach preschool part time at Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI. + Pastor Michael Wilke, Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI, is still considering the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

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Budgetary (Regular Expenses)		Budgetary (Regular Expenses)	
\$4,941.00	LM General Budget (04/17)	\$545.00	CLC General Budget (04/17)
\$2,923.08	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need
+\$2,017.92	-Under / +Over	+\$160.38	-Under / +Over
\$51,332.13	Year to Date Offerings	\$15,786.00	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings
\$46,769.28	Year to Date Need	\$16,154.04	Fiscal Year to Date Need
+\$4,562.85	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$368.04	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)
Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)		Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)	
	LM School		ILC Student Aid Fund
\$20.00	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund
	LM Debt Retirement		ILC Improvement Fund
\$20.00	LM M & I	\$85.00	Mission Development (MDF)
	LM Local Missions/ Outreach	\$60.00	Project Kinship/Orphanage
	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival
\$25.00	LM Ladies Orphan Fund		Miscellaneous
Memorial: \$20.00 to the General Fund in memory of Carol Hunt			

