

# 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 21, 2024 9:00 am



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***"Preach. Teach. Reach."***

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

*Please rise.*

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

C **Amen.**

P Look, here is water!

C **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

P Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

C **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

P At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Look, here is water!

C **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**



## GATHERING SONG

### The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness  
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed  
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant  
love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877

Music: St. Columba, Irish tune

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## 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.**

*Please be seated.*

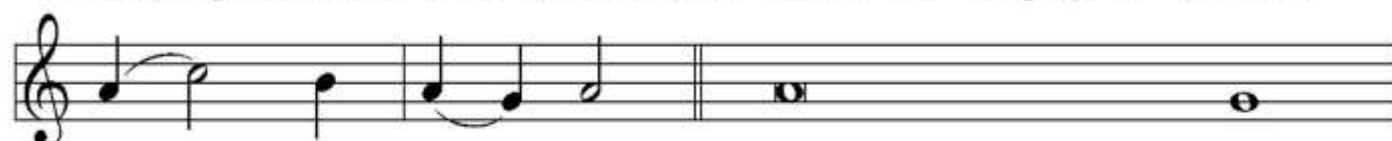
# KYRIE



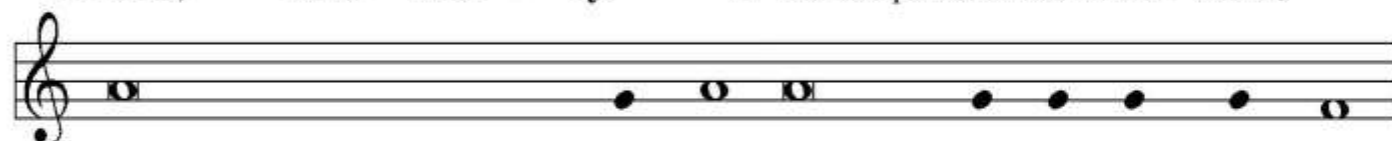
**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



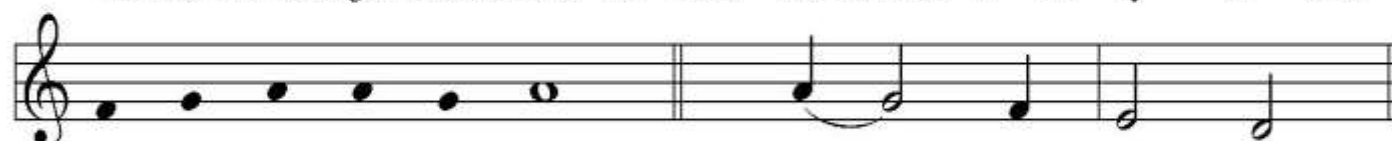
**A** For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



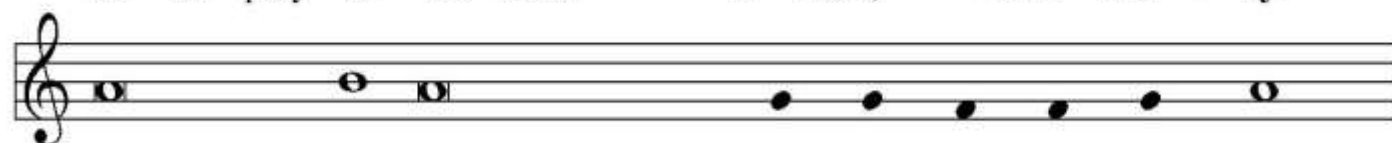
**C** Lord, have mer - cy. **A** For the peace of the whole world,



for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the u - ni - ty of all,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

## HYMN OF PRAISE

**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

**B** Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

**C** O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### FIRST READING

*Acts 4:5-12*

*Peter and John had been arrested the previous day because they were proclaiming the news of the resurrection to the people. In today's reading, Peter is filled with the Holy Spirit so that he can proclaim salvation in Jesus' name to the religious authorities.*

**R** <sup>5</sup>The next day the rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' <sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

**R** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### PSALM

*Psalms 23*

**R** <sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

**C** <sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

**R** <sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**C** <sup>4</sup>**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.**

**R** <sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**C** <sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

### SECOND READING

*1 John 3:16-24*

*Jesus' death on our behalf is the clearest demonstration of divine love. This is the very love we share with others, not just through our words but especially through our deeds. In sharing such love we fulfill God's commandments.*

**R** <sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that Jesus Christ laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? <sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if

our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

R The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise.*

#### GOSPEL VERSE



P The Holy Gospel according to John, the tenth chapter.



#### GOSPEL

*John 10:11-18*

*In language that recalls the twenty-third psalm, Jesus describes himself as the shepherd who cares for his sheep. He is willing to die for them, and he is able to overcome death for them.*

P <sup>11</sup>“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



*Please be seated.*

SERMON

*Pastor Bryan*

*Please rise.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

## Have No Fear, Little Flock



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle  
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle  
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -  
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to  
flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in  
bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -  
God, for he stays close be - side you, in



give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!  
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

Text: Luke 12:32, St. 1: Marjorie Hilton, b. 1931, m. 3-4  
Music: LITTLE FLOCK, Horst Werner Zimmermann, b. 1939  
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## THE NICENE CREED

**C** 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.**

*Please be seated.*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**P** Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

*A brief silence.*

**R** Shepherding God, gather your church whenever we wander from you and one another. Empower our church in ministries around the world to worship and serve alongside global companions as equal partners and coworkers in the gospel. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**R** Nurturing God, preserve the health of biomes and ecosystems. Inspire scientists, researchers, conservation organizations, and all people entrusted with the task of caring for creation, that we may be better stewards of the world around us. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**R** Almighty God, lead nations and communities to share resources, cooperate in solving conflicts, and listen to the wisdom of Indigenous peoples. Help all those with power to share it and to use such power for good. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**R** Gracious God, help this and all communities of faith to listen for your voice. Call us away from things that distract us from following you. Invite us to more deeply love and serve people who are lonely, isolated, and on the margins. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

R Living God, we give thanks for our ancestors in faith including Anselm of Canterbury and all who labored to help generations understand the good news of the gospel. Strengthen us to share the good news in our own day. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Loving God, protect the very young and the very old, those living without housing, victims of domestic abuse, and all who live with chronic illness or compromised immune systems, especially Lisa Thompson, Mark Gehrke, Virginia Steward, June Chadwick, Martha Dallman, Marie McCoy, Jean Lothe, David Hanson, Peter Taylor, Carol Bean, Steve Chappell and all those we name upon our lips or in our hearts. Guide communities to actively care for people who are vulnerable. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

C **Amen.**

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.** (*Greet one another with God's peace.*)

*Please rise.*

#### 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.**

P It is indeed right, our duty, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

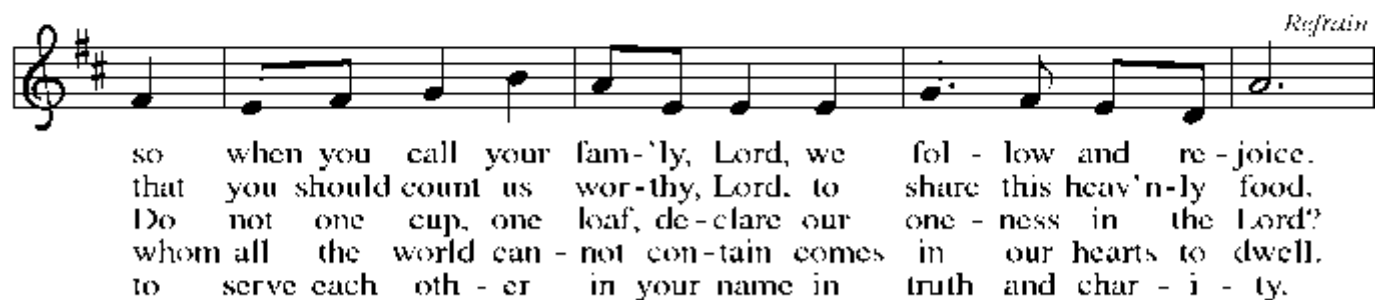
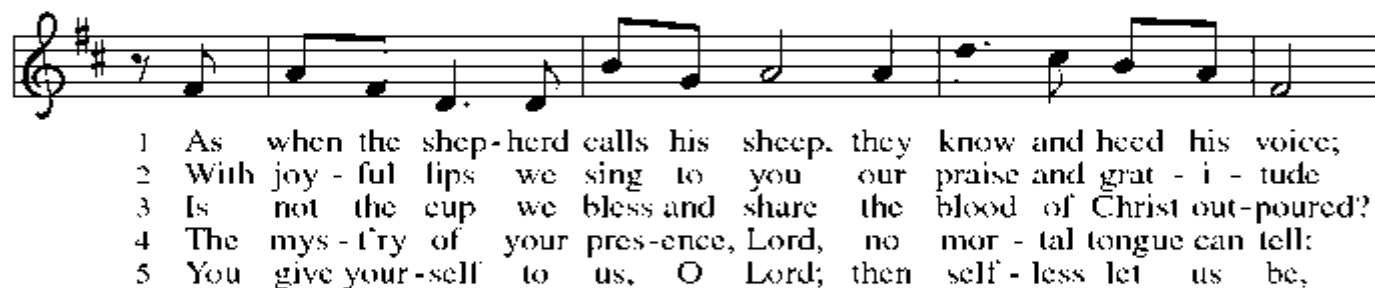
### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C** 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, forever and ever. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION & HYMNS

#### You Satisfy the Hungry Heart *Gift of Finest Wheat*



Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997

Music: BICENTENNIAL, Robert E. Krentz, 1972–1996

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## The Lord's My Shepherd



1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie  
 2 My soul he doth re-store a-gain, and me to walk doth make  
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;  
 4 My ta-ble thou hast rich-ly spread in pres-ence of my foes;  
 5 Good-ness and mer-cy all my life shall sure-ly fol-low me.



in pas-tures green; he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by,  
 with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake;  
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com-fort still;  
 my head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows,  
 and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be;



He lead-eth me, he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by,  
 with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake,  
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com-fort still,  
 My head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows,  
 and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be.

Text: *The Psalms of David in Meeter*, Edinburgh, 1650  
 Music: BROTHER JAMES' AIR, James L. Macbeth Bann

*Please rise.*

### COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
**C** Amen.

## COMMUNION PRAYER

P Shepherd God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love.  
Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant  
mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

C Amen.

## BLESSING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope  
✠ bless you now and always.

C Amen.

## SENDING SONG

### God Be with You Till We Meet Again



- 1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; by good coun-sels guide, up - hold you.
- 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; ho - ly wings se - cure - ly hide you,
- 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's per - ils thick con-found you.



with a shep-herd's care en - fold you;  
dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you; God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
put un-fail - ing arms a - round you;

*Refrain*



Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Je - sus' feet;



till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828-1904

Music: GOD BE WITH YOU, William G. Turner, 1833-1896

*Please be seated.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DISMISSAL

P Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.  
C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY: Thank you for joining us at Burke for worship and fellowship! Please sign a card in the pew and/or the visitor book in the narthex.

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

We teach that Jesus is truly present in the bread and the wine. All are invited to the table to share God's grace. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it, as well as gluten-free wafers.

*Please fill out a communion card  
and place it in the offering plate if  
you are communing today.*

### OUR STAFF

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#### Maintenance Engineer

Dave Wisner

## PRAYERS & CARES

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**A Nursery (Youth Room)** for children under six is located down the hallway near the church offices. Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children at worship.

**Our Prayer List:** Contact the church office with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Lisa Thompson (daughter of Bob & Jeannette Gehrke)

Mark Gehrke (son of Bob and Jeannette Gehrke)

Martha Dallman (Mother Kathy Sandridge)

Peter Taylor (friend of Diane McFarlin)

Virginia Steward

Marie McCoy

June Chadwick

Sonja Nielsen

Jean Lothe

David Hanson

Carol Bean

Steve Chappell

## Congregational Opportunities

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**BIBLE STUDY:** Every Wednesday, at 1:00pm.

**QUILTING:** Every Wednesday at 9:00am, no experience needed.

**BAND PRACTICE:** Every Monday at 10:30am.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Bulletin Announcements:** Bulletin deadline is noon on Wednesdays. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net or drop them off at the office.

**Hospitalized?:** Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church so we are notified.

**2024 Offering Envelopes** are available for pickup on the table in the narthex. Please help us get these distributed to your families.

## YOUTH & KIDS

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**Sunday School: (ages 3 - grade 6)** Children will start out in worship and be dismissed after the children's sermon.

## CALL TO ACTION

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**April Food Pantry Focus:** April focus is fats, oils and sweets. Such as jams/jellies, syrups, honey, mayo, salad dressings or sugar. Please place your non-perishable goods in the 'Donations' basket in the entryway.

**Birthday Bags for River Food Pantry.**

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.

**Light of Life & Sunday Bulletin Articles**

If you have news you'd like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

1. Email your submissions to burkelutheran@att.net (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or
2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or
3. Turn it into the church office.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Tuesdays LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 20th of the month**



## THIS WEEK AT BURKE

<b>Monday, April 22</b>	Preach Board, 9:00am	
<b>Wednesday, April 24</b>	Quilting, 9:00am	Bible Study, 1:00pm
<b>Thursday, April 25</b>	DORCAS Circle, 10:00am	
<b>Sunday, April 28</b>	Worship, 9:00am Sunday School, 9:00am	

## WORSHIP LEADERS

	<b>April 21 - 9:00am Service</b>	<b>April 28 - 9:00am Service</b>
<b>Organist/Pianist</b>	Susie Kittel Moore	Susie Kittel Moore
<b>Music Leaders</b>	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	“The Band”
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Dave Hanson	Barb Hennings
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Dave Wisner	Jeannette Gehrke
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Sharon Hughes	Julie Clark
<b>Usher Team</b>	Bob Lenzendorf	Karl and Shari Patzer
<b>Coffee Hour</b>		Potluck
<b>Counters</b>	Sharon Hughes Jan Peterson	Sharon Hughes Jan Peterson

## ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

<b>Sunday 9:00am</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>
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