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Lakeshore Presbyterian Church
April 26, 2026
Pastor Bill Davis, presiding

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 23)

One: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

ALL: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

One: He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

ALL: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

One: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

ALL: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you!

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Please stand if you are able

HYMN "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" #210

**1 Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home:**

**2 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received its frame,**

From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

3 A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

4 Time, like an ever rolling stream,
Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

5 Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while life shall last,
And our eternal home.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear GOD, thank YOU for being there for us in ages past, today and in years to come! YOU have never failed us! We confess that we have failed YOU! When life is going well we think that we don't need YOU. We begin to think we can get through life on our own. Then when life gets tough, we think that YOU have let us down. We have all sinned. Forgive us GOD. Help us to believe in JESUS CHRIST. Help us to trust that life is worth the living just because HE lives. Amen.

PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE OF PRAISE Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM *“My Jesus I Love Thee”*

SCRIPTURE John 10:1-10

¹Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

²But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

³To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.

⁴And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.

⁵And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.

⁶This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them.

⁷Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.

⁸All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

⁹I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

¹⁰The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

SERMON "Our Good Shepherd"

Please stand if you are able

HYMN "Because He Lives"

**God sent His son, they called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and forgive
He lived and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.**

**CHORUS: Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives.**

How sweet to hold a newborn baby
And feel the pride and joy He gives
But greater still the calm assurance
This child can face uncertain day, because He lives. CHORUS

And then one day, I'll cross the river
I'll fight life's final war with pain!
And then, as death gives way to victory
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he reigns. CHORUS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us say what we believe:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell; On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O LORD"

**Hear our prayer, O Lord
Hear our prayer, O Lord
Incline Thine ear to us
And grant us Thy peace**

THE OFFERING

DOXOLOGY #592

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

HYMN “What Wondrous Love Is This” #85

**1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the *heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the *heavy cross for my soul!**

**2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing!**

**3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.
And through eternity I'll sing on.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

FELLOWSHIP



Sue Dykstra
Roger Sheldon
Debi Singer



*George & Debi
Sinaer*



**Sunday's
9am – 9:45am**



**Thursday's
10:30am**

May Events

- 5/2** Collect non-perishable food items
- 5/9** Craft Day 1-3pm
- 5/10** Mother's Day Brunch 11am
- 5/20** Potluck 6pm
- 5/28** Pray with the Pastor noon – 2pm

Ushers

Today Team 1

Caroline Janosky
Gary Baxter
Pat Moses
Sue Dykstra

5/3 Team 1

Kathy Pennanen
Jackie Bolman
Janet Saxon
Sandy Hunwick

Music Fest Fellowship Concert

May 2 6pm

Featuring

Circle of Friends