LUTHERAN CHAPEL



RUTH 1:1-17 AND JOHN 12:1-8

"THE ANOINTING OF JESUS"

Mary is the faithful disciple. She abandons herself to God and prepares Jesus, the Lamb of God, for His ultimate sacrifice for our race.

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT APRIL 3, 2022

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LUTHERAN CHAPEL APRIL 3, 2022 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

BOLD indicates congregational responses.

* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.

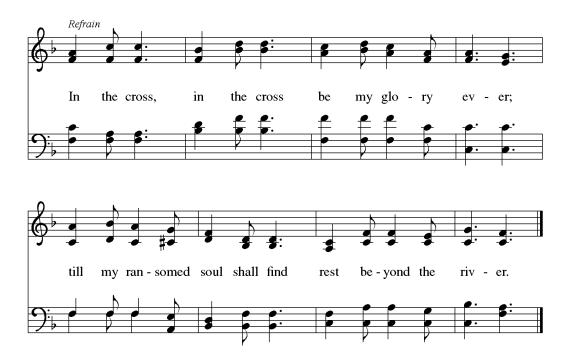
GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS





Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915 Music: NEAR THE CROSS, William H. Doane, 1832–1915

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Walter Monroe Carpenter

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

Presentation

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Walt baptized into Christ?

Response: I do.

P: As you bring Walt to receive the gift of baptism you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy Scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that Walt may learn to trust God,

proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God has made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help Walt grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: I do and I ask God to help me.

The presiding minister addresses sponsors or godparents.

P: Do you promise to nurture Walt in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Holy Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do and I ask God to help me.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

P: People of God, do you promise to support them and pray for Walt in his new life in Christ.

Response: We do and we ask God to help us.

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

And 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

sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Thanksgiving at the Font

P: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer is lifted up recalling God's mighty works from creation to the days of Noah, the Exodus, the baptism of our Lord Jesus, and the Great Commission given to the church and leading up to now.

Administration of Baptism and Welcome

Holy Baptism is administered by water poured on the head or immersion into the waters.

P: I baptize you in the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the newly baptized and may anoint with oil.

P: Walt, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen!

A lighted candle may be given to the family of the newly baptized sharing the words of Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew 5:13.

Let your light so shine before others that they see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Amen!

The peace of Christ may be shared by the assembly as the Service continues.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through 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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children who want to come forward for the Children's Message at the front of the church are welcome to do so. Let the little children come unto our Lord always!

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

RUTH 1:1-17

¹In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. ²The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, ⁵both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

⁶Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had considered his people and given them food. ⁷So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The LORD grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. ¹⁰They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹²Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, ¹³would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the LORD has turned against me." ¹⁴Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in -law, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." ¹⁶But Ruth said,

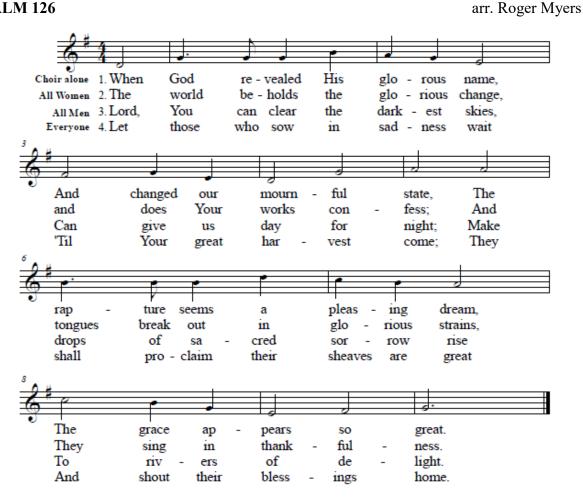
"Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you!

Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge, your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷Where you die, I will die there will I be buried. May the LORD do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!"

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 126



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Writing to Christians in Philippi, Paul admits that his heritage and reputation could give him more reason than most people to place confidence in his spiritual pedigree. But the overwhelming grace of God in Jesus calls Paul to a new set of values.

[Paul writes:] ^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Joel 2:13





*GOSPEL JOHN 12:1-8

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

Response after the announcement:



Judas willfully misinterprets as waste Mary's extravagant act of anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume. Jesus recognizes that her lavish gift is both an expression of love and an anticipation of his burial.

¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

"The Anointing of Jesus"

On the Journey of Ruth On the Anointing of Jesus

The Law is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: I refuse the gift, the anointing as I pursue so much that doesn't really ultimately matter.

The Gospel is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: Jesus receives the anointing and anoints us loving to the end all who trust Him.

So What? Through tears, through loss, through constant change - choose to walk in love with God and with others as Ruth did so long ago. Remember the gift of your baptism and confirmation, the mark of the Cross on your head - we belong to Jesus always.



Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878 Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

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 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence 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.

ANTHEM

CHANCEL CHOIR

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

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When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all, demands my life, my all.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

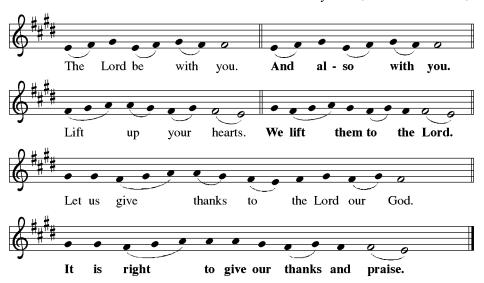
P: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Man of Sorrows, who was tempted and suffered to save us.

C: Amen.

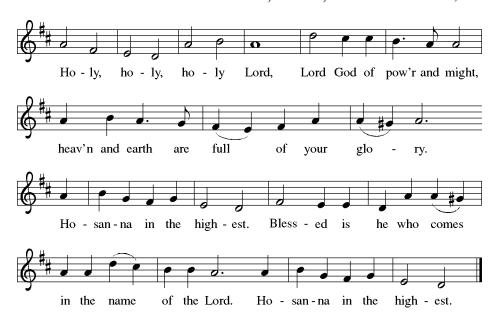
THE MEAL AND SENDING

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136



*PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

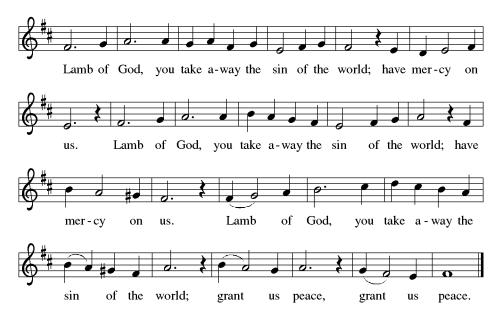
Matthew 6.9-13

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

*LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29



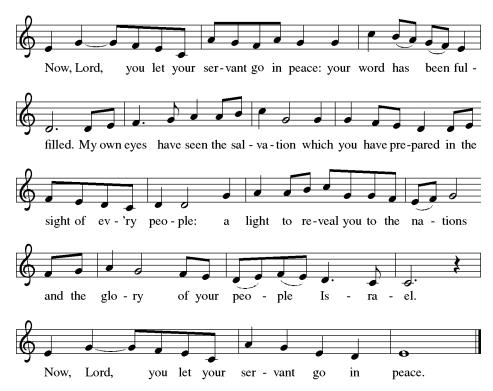
*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AT THE BAPTISMAL FONT

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

SENDING

*THE BLESSING

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



*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: We give You thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

*BENEDICTION



Text: Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1830–1869 Music: ST. CHRISTOPHER, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Wade Monroe Parlier's 94th birthday and for the baptism of Walter Monroe Carpenter by Chuck & Lisa Burch.

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant	Kim Rundzieher
Organist	Lisa Burch
Music Director	Roger Myers
Music Director	Jeanette Myers
Acolyte	Corbin Brown
Crucifer	Bram Comer
Lector	Amy Brown
Communion Assistant	Alex Berghello
Head Ushers	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman

PARISH NEWS

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE: Please join us each <u>Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Chapel</u> for a *Holden Evening Prayer Service*. We hope you'll join us!

FIRST COMMUNION WORKSHOP: A First Communion workshop will be offered for children of our fellowship on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>April 9 from 10:00 to 11:30</u>. This will provide a Bible study on the meanings of Holy Communion and prepare each child to receive this gift for the first time at the Palm Sunday Service, April 10. Please call the church office 704-864-6491 or call/text Pastor Michael at 704-787-6439 to sign up or with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE: Lemonade on the Lawn and Youth Easter Egg Hunt - Please mark your calendars and make plans to join us for *Lemonade on the Lawn* immediately following the 10:00am worship service on Palm Sunday, April 10. We will have light refreshments for all ages as we enjoy a time of fellowship. The youth will have the opportunity to celebrate the Easter season with a craft, Bible story and egg hunt. We hope to see you there! (Rain plan – Family Life Center). **A basket will be placed in the narthex for anyone would like to donate candy to stuff eggs for the egg hunt. If you would prefer to make a cash donation towards candy please place in the offering plate, mail to church or give online with the notation Youth Egg Hunt. We are more than happy to go shopping for you!**

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A LUCKY FEW: Our streaming team is looking to add a few volunteers to our ranks to help us consistently stream services in the sanctuary on Sunday morning and other services as requested. Initial training would cover the basics of the system – turn on system, start streaming, mute microphones as needed, turn off system. Additional bells and whistles with the cameras can be added later. Matt Hoffman is available for "live" training during our 10:00am Sunday service and Craig Thornburg is available for scheduled training during the week. If you are able to give of your time and talents to serve the congregation in this way please contact Matt or Craig directly to coordinate training. We look forward to hearing from you!!!

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Larry Collins, Tonya Dowdy, Kathy Finch, Paulette Hale, Pr. Peter & Nancy Homovich, Dan Lineberger, Doug Rhyne, Bill & Kay Robinson, Ed Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Harry & Fran Angstadt, Sam Bell, Eula Brazell, Bill Bridges, Ellis Brown, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Brooke Ensley, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Brenda Heins, Jack Jeffries, Paula Kadel, Ernestine Kincaid, Suzanne Ledford, family of Sandy Leppart, Robbie and Cathy Lewis, the family of Frieda Moses, Lee Norris, Mike Palmer, Rita Pasour, Anna Rider, Dakota Shuford, Charlene Sorenson, and Judi Truesdail

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491), Pastor Comer (704-787-6439) or our prayer team (Katherine Carpenter 704-214-2493).

PRAYER ROSTER - Pray for one another. (Ephesians 6:18)

Sunday: Patsy LindlerThursday: Dan LinebergerMonday: Jason LinebergerFriday: Alfred LinebergerTuesday: Carolyn LinebergerSaturday: Marty Lineberger

Wednesday: Beth Lineberger

FEAST OF PSALMS: Lent

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AM	3, 4	25, 30	34, 38	51, 56	86, 88	102, 109	122, 130
PM	6, 22	31, 32	40, 43	57, 69	90, 91	116, 121	139, 143

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 14: April 3 to April 10, 2022

04/03 Morning Reading: Luke 7:31-50—Evening Reading: Judges 19, 20, 21

04/04 Morning Reading: Luke 8:1-25—Evening Reading: Ruth 1, 2, 3, 4

04/05 Morning Reading: Luke 8:26-56—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 1, 2, 3

04/06 Morning Reading: Luke 9:1-17—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 4, 5, 6

04/07 Morning Reading: Luke 9:18-36—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 7, 8, 9

04/08 Morning Reading: Luke 9:37-62—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 10, 11, 12

04/09 Morning Reading: Luke 10:1-24—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 13, 14

04/10 Morning Reading: Luke 10:25-42—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 15, 16

Songs of Praise: "Ah, Holy Jesus" ELW #349

"Lamb of God, Your Only Son" ELW #336

Wednesday, April 6 - Holden Evening Prayer

Luke 18:1-8 ~ "Parable of the Persistent Widow"

Next Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday ~ First Holy Communion

The Passion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to St. Luke

The "Our Daily Bread" devotional is available as a booklet, an app in eBook format, daily e-mail, or podcast. Visit odb.org/subscribe.

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK SUNDAY, APRIL 3- SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2022

Sun-03	9:00 am	Luther Choir & Bible Study (Sunday School)			
	10:00 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion (Sanctuary)			
	11:00 am	Private Event (Family Life Center)			
	5:00 pm	Wind Ensemble			
	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir			
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)			
Mon-04	8:30 am	Preschool			
Tues-05	8:30 am	Preschool			
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday			
Wed-06	8:30 am	Preschool			
	5:45 pm	Handbell Choir			
	7:00 pm	Holden Evening Prayer (Chapel)			
Thur-07	8:30 am	Preschool			

First Communion Workshop

Sat-09

10:00 am

Holy Week 2022

The solemnity of Holy Week and the call to Hallelujah (Psalm 118), to celebrate the risen Lord Jesus for the great fifty days of Easter is upon us.

Palm Sunday, April 10 First Communion at the Altar, Easter Egg Hunt after Church 10:00 Holy Communion

The Passion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to St. Luke Jesus dies on the cross for us. Why? He is innocent. We are not.

Maundy Thursday, April 14
From Passover to Last Supper, We Remember!
6:00 Seder Meal in the Family Life Center

Good Friday, April 15
The Death of Jesus For Us
Noon - Stations of the Cross in the Memorial Chapel
7:00 Tenebrae Service in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 17The Resurrection of our Lord

7AM Sunrise Service in the Church Cemetery with fellowship breakfast following Service

10:00 Festival Service of Holy Communion

2 Samuel 11 and Luke 24:1-12 *The New Day*Life beyond death, a new creation beyond the tears, the risen Jesus Christ is the hope of our race and the joy for all who trust Him.

