

EASTER DAY



April 20, 2025
10:00am

Land Acknowledgment

We recognize that we gather on the ancestral lands of the Ojibwe, Ho Chunk, and Dakota. We acknowledge their leaders, past, present, and emerging.

GATHERING

Prelude

Pacibells

Joyful, Joyful, Christ Is Risen

Douglas Wagner

Brass Group

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Robert Robinson, arr. Benjamin Pierre

Organ and Brass

Fanfare-Rondeau on "Victory"

Brenda Portman

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!


Opening Hymn *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today; Alleluia!*

#365

Apostolic Greeting

Hymn of Praise


Refrain




This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



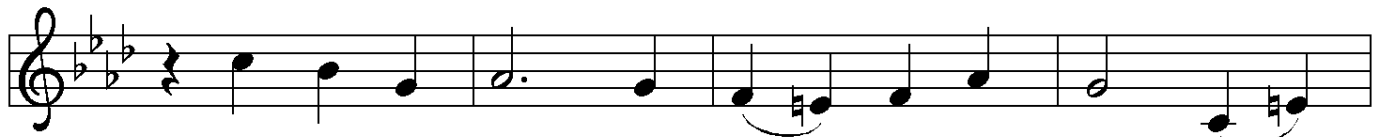
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

WORD

Children's Message

The First Reading is from Acts, Chapter 10

³⁴ Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality,
³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.
³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were

oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Pacibells

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Anna Laura Page

The Second Reading is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 15

¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

²¹ For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

Family Choir sings once, then everyone sings two times

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

**The Gospel for today comes from John, chapter 20
Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mary stood outside the tomb weeping. And as she wept, she bent down and looked into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels dressed in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned to go and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not hold me back, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them all the things he had said to her.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon *Pastor Phil Ruge-Jones*

Hymn of the Day *Thine Is the Glory*

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Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

Prayers of the Church

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

... God of grace,
hear our prayer.

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

Peace

MEAL

Offering

Anthem	Christ the Lord Is Risen Again	John Rutter
Christ the Lord is risen again!	He who bore all pain and loss	
Christ hath broken ev'ry chain!	Comfortless upon the cross,	
Hark, the angels should for joy.	Lives in glory now on high.	
Singing ever more on high,	Please for us, and hears our cry.	
Alleluia.	Alleluia!	

He who gave for us his life,
Who for us endur'd the strife.
Is our Paschal Lamb today!
We too sing for joy and say,
Alleluia!

Now he bids us tell abroad
How the lost may be restor'd.
How the penitent forgiv'n.
How we too may enter heav'n. Alleluia.

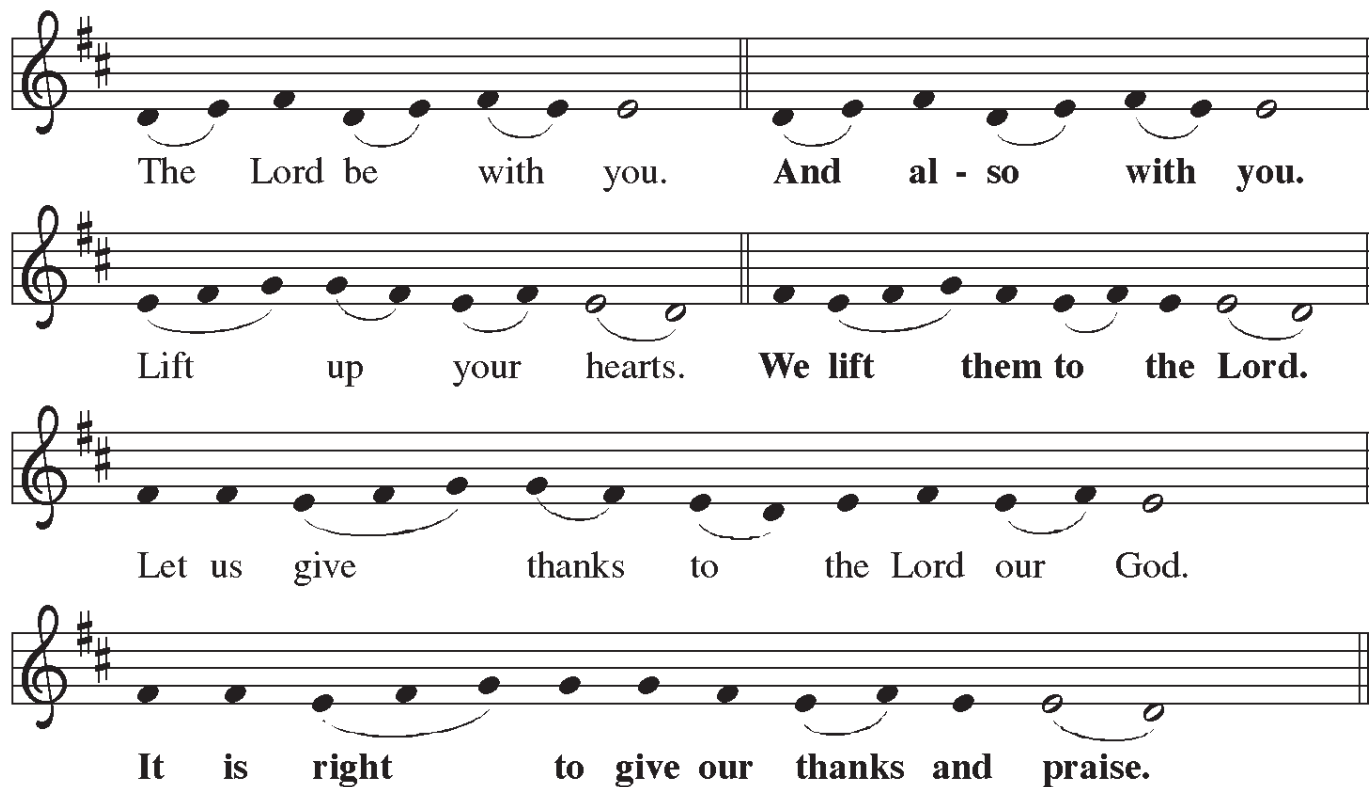
Thou, our Paschal people feed;
Take our sins and guilt away,
That we all may sing foray, Alleluia!

Offering Prayer

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



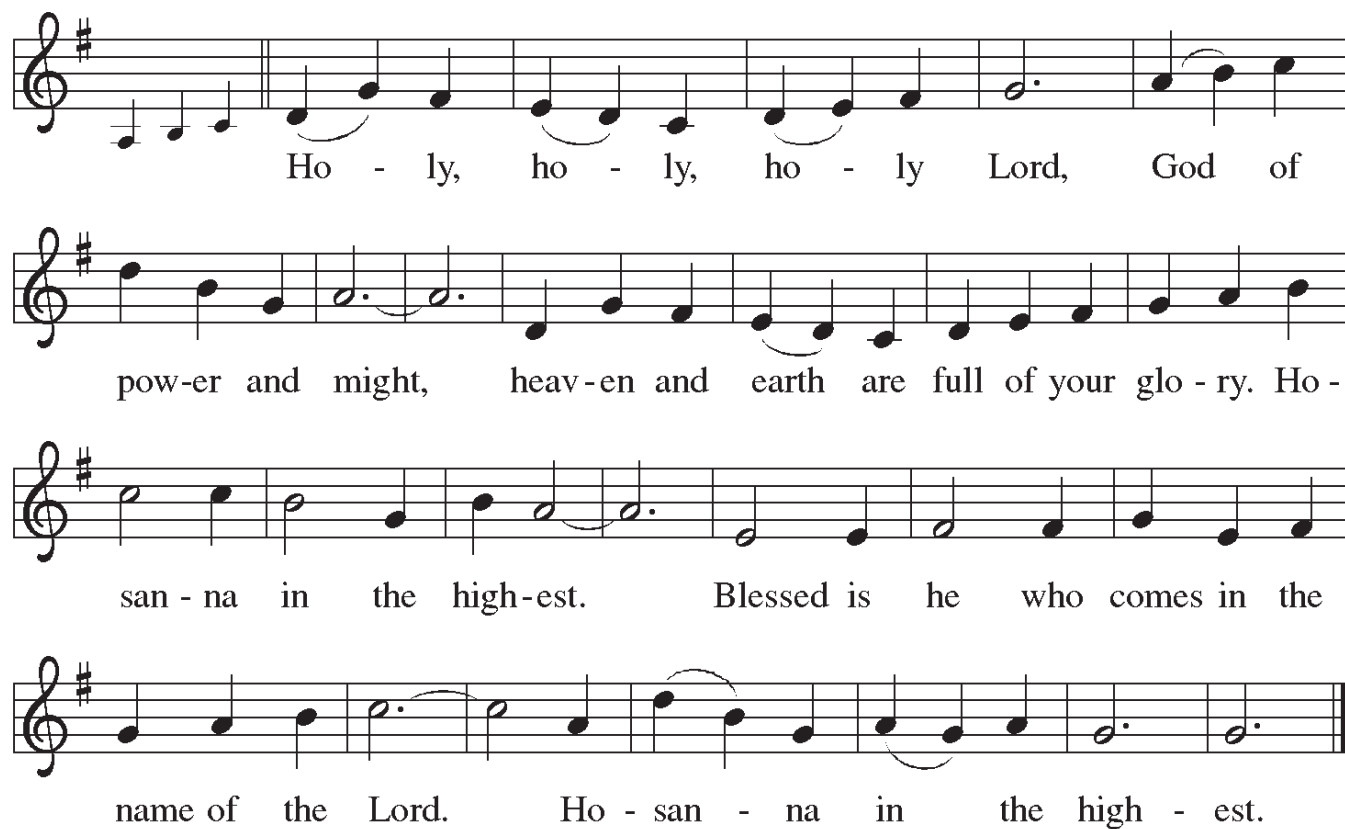
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

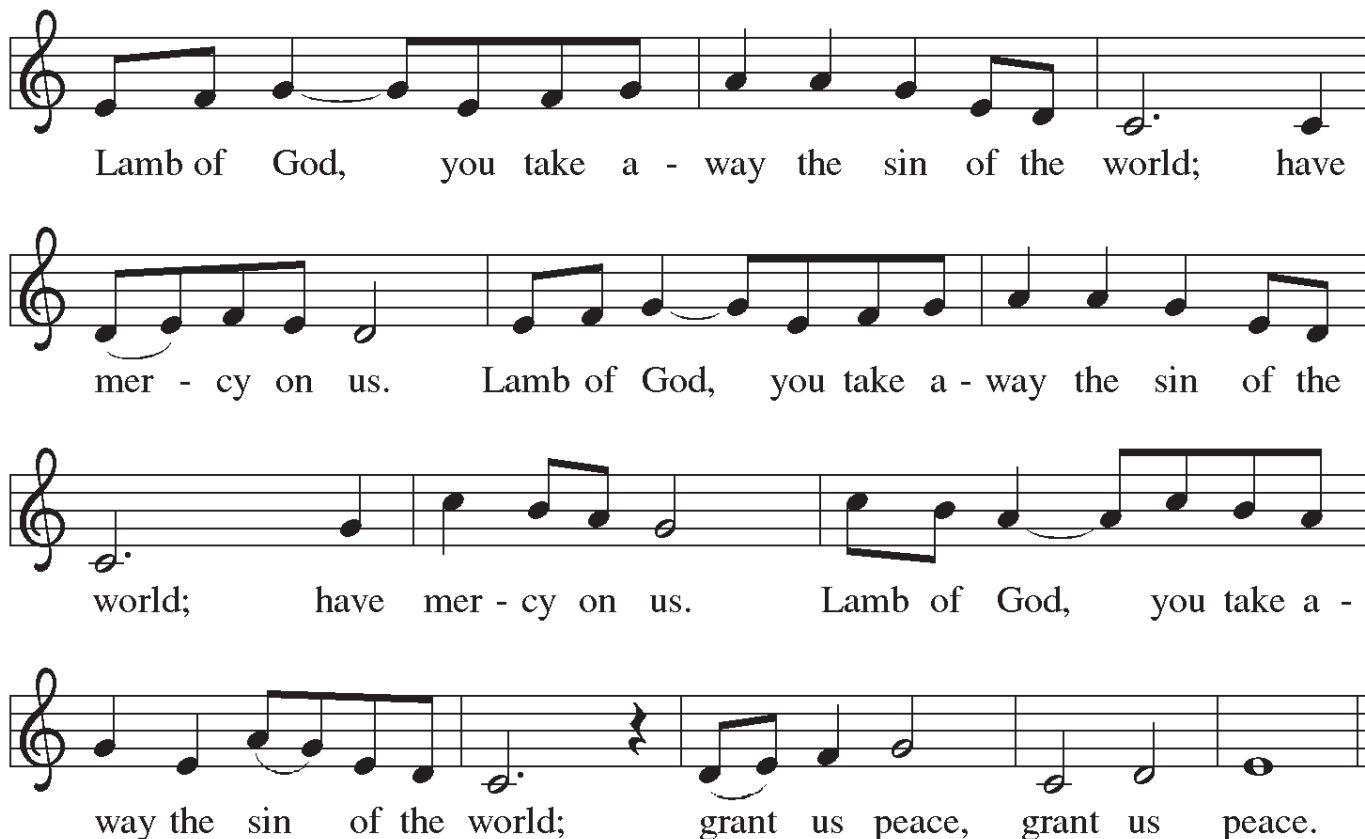
Eucharistic Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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.

Communion

Our communion bread is gluten free and the communion cups with clear liquid have grape juice instead of wine.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Prayer After Communion

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

Anthem

Hallelujah Chorus, from *Messiah*

Handel

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Omaggio Festivo

Rachel Laurin

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Reader: Suzette Peltier

Organist: Elaine Mann

Choir Director: Diana Cataldi

Pacibells Director: Karen Lionberger

Brass Group: Olivia Lafler–trumpet

Hayden Smith–trumpet

Sam Wyland–French horn

Trey Wisner–trombone

Liam Casey–trombone

Matt Wood–tuba

Timpani: Andrew Reid



GRACE
LUTHERAN
CHURCH

2025-4-20
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY (20th)

Easter Sunday

Coffee Hour – 9:00am

Worship – 10am

MONDAY

Easter Monday

Foot & Nail Clinic – 7am

TUESDAY

Earth Day

Foot & Nail Clinic – 7am

Prayer Group – 11am

WEDNESDAY

Foot & Nail Clinic – 7am

Crafters – 10am

Text Study – 12pm

Choir Rehearsal – 7pm

THURSDAY

Foot & Nail Clinic – 7am

Pacibells Rehearsal – 6pm

FRIDAY

Foot & Nail Clinic – 7am

Dennis Steffen

Visitation – 9:30am

Dennis Steffen Funeral – 11am

SUNDAY (27th)

Eau Claire Marathon

Coffee Hour – 9:00am

Worship – 10am

Other groups using the building this week: ADRC, Jonah, Scouts, ECWiT, Theater Guild, UW–Eau Claire Continuing Education

Foot & Nail Clinic

The spring Foot & Nail clinic is almost here. It will be the week of April 21 through 25 in our parlors. If you would like to make an appointment, please call the Continuing Education department at the University: 715–836–3636. The clinic is free, but space is limited and in high demand, so call early and reserve your spot.

Noisy Offering

Save your coins and let them Spring into action on May 4. The children of Grace will gather loose change from our pockets and purses during our worship service. (Even though it doesn't make as much noise when dropped into the collection cans, paper money is also greatly appreciated!)

Our special offering will be for providing snacks for our neighborhood (Randall Park) school Lakeshore Elementary. The majority of Lakeshore students are low-income and until this January, the school had a grant that enabled healthy snacks to be bought and distributed to all students daily. Let's help our friends at Lakeshore!



Prayer Group

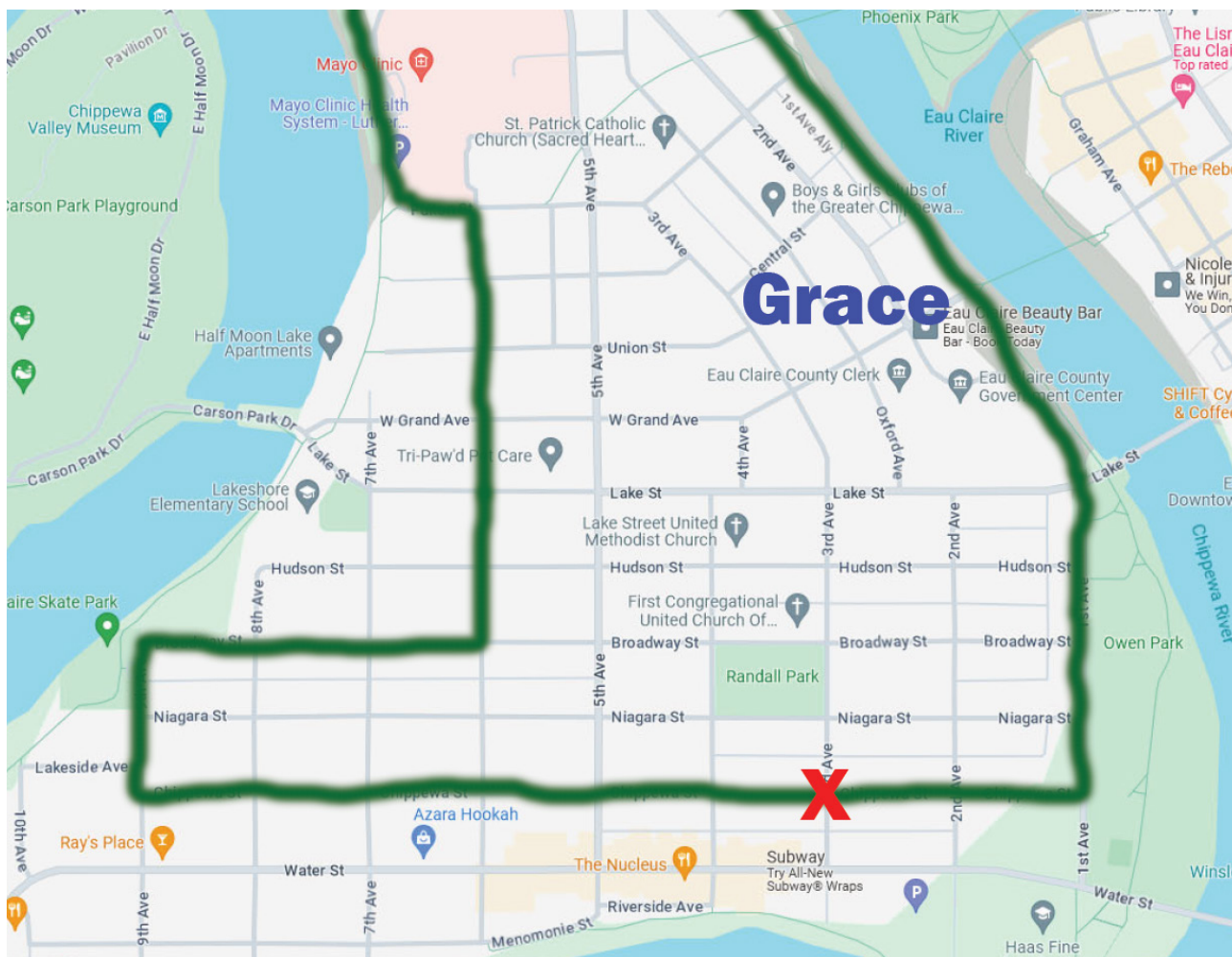
The Prayer Group will meet this Tuesday in the Chapel on the second floor of the church.

Guest Musicians

Next Sunday, April 27, the MacDowell Male Chorus from Green Bay will be singing with us during the service.

Eau Claire Marathon

The Eau Claire Marathon will take place next weekend on April 26 & 27. Most of the streets around Randall Park Neighborhood will be closed for the runners in the early morning. The marathon route is marked in **GREEN** on the map. The designated crossing place is the intersection of Chippewa and 3rd (The **RED X** on the map). Be prepared to wait for any runners and cross when there are breaks. There will be absolutely no access from 7:10am to 7:45am and 8:40am to 9:20am so plan on arriving before or after those times. Thank you for your understanding and patience.



Sunday School

Sunday School continues in the new year. Check out the following schedule for the first half of 2025.

- May 4

Sunday school takes place right after the Children's Time during the service. See you there!

Memorials & Honoraria

Debra & Orley Brown, Steven & Jolene Cooley, Jim & Bev Page, Mitch & Barb Piper, Tom Tealey, and Ken & Lynne Ziehr all gave in memory of Nancy Schaaf. Thank you.



*We have a lot
to celebrate!*

Please join us...

**RIBBON CUTTING
CEREMONY**

celebrating

Grace Woodlands Apartments

3214 Gala St

Eau Claire, WI 54703

Thursday, April 24th, 2025

1:00 PM - Open House & Refreshments to Follow

In partnership with:





ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Grace Lutheran Foundation Voting Members

You are cordially invited to attend
Grace Lutheran Foundation's
Annual Meeting

Sunday, May 4, 2025

11:00 a.m.

(following the 10:00 worship service)

Grace Lutheran Church

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SUNDAY, APRIL 27

3:00 PM

MARIANNA SCOTT SCHOLARSHIP ORGAN RECITAL

First Congregational Church
310 Broadway Street, Eau Claire

Freewill offering to benefit future scholarships

Performers include:

2024 Scholarship Winner
Lincoln Junior High School Choir
CVAGO Members

PRESENTED BY THE
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Easter Flowers Given in 2025

- ☛ Jan & Randy Adams in memory of Betty & Gil Murphy and Viola & Mark Adams
- ☛ Betty Baribeau in memory of James C. Baribeau, Jane Panzer Syverson, and Richard Panzer
- ☛ Connie Felton in memory of Ray Felton, Mary Felton, and Larry Felton
- ☛ Joni Franson in memory of Ronny Franson
- ☛ Tom & Carol Gallatin in honor of all their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren
- ☛ Rick & Linda Gehring in memory of Arnold & Donnie Gehring and David Gehring
- ☛ Roxanne Gehring in memory of Dave Gehring and in honor of her children and grandchildren and the ministry of Pastor Phil Ruge-Jones
- ☛ Jeff & Deb Heath in memory of their Parents Angie Heath and Judy & Joe Girard
- ☛ Wilma Hovland in memory of Dave Hovland
- ☛ Karen Lionberger in honor of Norma Lionberger and in honor of Katrina Cooper
- ☛ Elaine Mann in memory of Gerry Mann
- ☛ Karen & Steve Moen in memory of Norma & Duce Telford
 - ☛ Jim & Bev Page in memory of their parents, Kay Whitney, and Bob Nelson
 - ☛ Mitch & Barb Piper
 - ☛ Roger & Diane Pomplun in honor of their children, grandchildren, and Arden Pomplun and in memory of LaVerne Pomplun and Leonard & Janet Baier
 - ☛ Mel Rau & Julie Brenden in memory of Leonard & Lorraine Rau and Selvin Brenden
 - ☛ Ruge-Jones family in memory of Lola Ruge, Shirley Jones, Loren Reine King, and Russ Jones
 - ☛ Greg Sather in memory of his family
 - ☛ Jodi Schleusner & Emily, Jacob & Alli in honor of their parents & grandparents Jim & Bev Page and in memory of their grandparents Marian Page & Bennie & Myrtle Nelson
 - ☛ Dorie & Tom Schwellenbach in memory of their parents Doris & Arne Schwellenbach and Diane & Bob Brinkman and in honor of their grandchildren Andrew, Ariana, Austin, Arnold, Rose, Meredith, Maxine, and Tatum
- ☛ Candace Snider in memory of Lenore & Ellsworth Snider
- ☛ Tammy Tannler in memory of her parents, John & LaVonne Tannler
- ☛ Thomas Tealey in memory of Earl & Evelyn Tealey
- ☛ Jon Thorpe & Suzette Peltier in memory of Gloria Thorpe and Joe & Norma Peltier
- ☛ Marjorie Tyler in memory of her husband, Tim
- ☛ Ken & Lynne Ziehr

HANDBELL CONCERT

Area handbell ringers will present a concert including massed choir and solo choir pieces

Saturday, April 26 – 2:00 pm

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Church Office Hours

Monday — Thursday : 10AM — 2PM

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Services are live streamed Sundays at 10am on:

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- Youtube embedded in our website: <https://grace-church.org/our-ministry> Bulletins may also be found on the same page.

Recordings of worship services are broadcast Sundays 10:30am on WQOW Channel 18, Cable 9, 618HD (every other week)

Past services are posted at “Grace Lutheran Church ELCA Eau Claire Wisconsin” YouTube page — <https://bit.ly/49WLWPj>



Do you have information for the bulletin and Grace at a Glance? Deadline is Wednesday by 2:00 p.m. by emailing Andrew at info@grace-church.org or by calling the office at 715-832-9713