

## Offertory Response

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

LBW #565 Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711 Tune: Doxology

## Prayers of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” WOV #721

### What Does This Mean?

1. Why is it hard to believe that Jesus’ audience didn’t understand his words?
2. What gave Jesus’ picture of the good shepherd a sharp edge?
3. What threats face us as we hear Jesus’ words today?
4. What ultimate assurance does Jesus provide by the imagery he used?

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# Faith Lutheran (LCMC) Hutchinson, MN 10:10 a.m. Sanctuary Service April 26, 2026 Fourth Sunday of Easter



Gathering Music

Greeting/Announcements

Song .....“Precious Lord, Take My Hand” ..... WOV #731

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness ..... WOV page 10

Opening Litany ..... WOV page 46

Scripture Song ..... WOV page 47

Prayer of the Day

**Almighty God, in calling from death our Lord Jesus, you shined the light of your truth into a world of darkness. Strengthen the faith of all whom you have grafted into the flock of the great shepherd of the sheep, that we may resolutely follow him and seek, in his name, to rescue the lost, heal the injured, and feed one another with knowledge and understanding; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**

First Lesson ..... Ezekiel 34:1-5, 10-12, 15-16

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson ..... I Peter 2:18-25

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Special Music ..... Sunday School Children

Faith Seeds ..... Shelly Kirchoff

Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them. Following Faith Seeds, children ages 3-years old through 1<sup>st</sup> grade may join Sprouts for an age-appropriate learning activity during the sermon. They will return to their parents shortly after the sermon ends.

The Gospel Acclamation ..... WOV page 48

**Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you!**

**Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!**

**Our hearts burn within us**

**while you open to us the Scriptures.**

**Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you!**

**Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!**

The Announcement of the Gospel ..... **“Glory to You, O Lord”**

Gospel ..... John 10:1-10

Response after the Gospel ..... **“Praise to You, O Christ”**

Sermon .... **“The Shepherd, the Gatekeeper and the Gate”** .....

... Pastor Scott Grorud

Song ..... **“Goodness of God”**

Service of Holy Baptism: **Percy Owen Breeggemann**

son of Kelvin and Sophia Breeggemann

Sponsors: Nick and Lizbette Scaramuzza and Chloe Van Sickle

Apostles’ Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.**

Welcome for the Newly Baptized

Pastor: God has made this new brother a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus. We receive him with love and rejoice with him at his entrance into our fellowship.

**Congregation: We welcome you into the Lord’s family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.**

Offering/Special Music .. **“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”** ...

Faith Singers and Kids’ Music Club