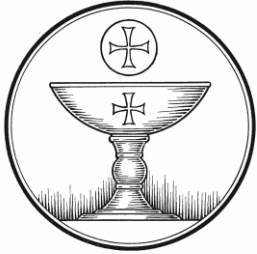
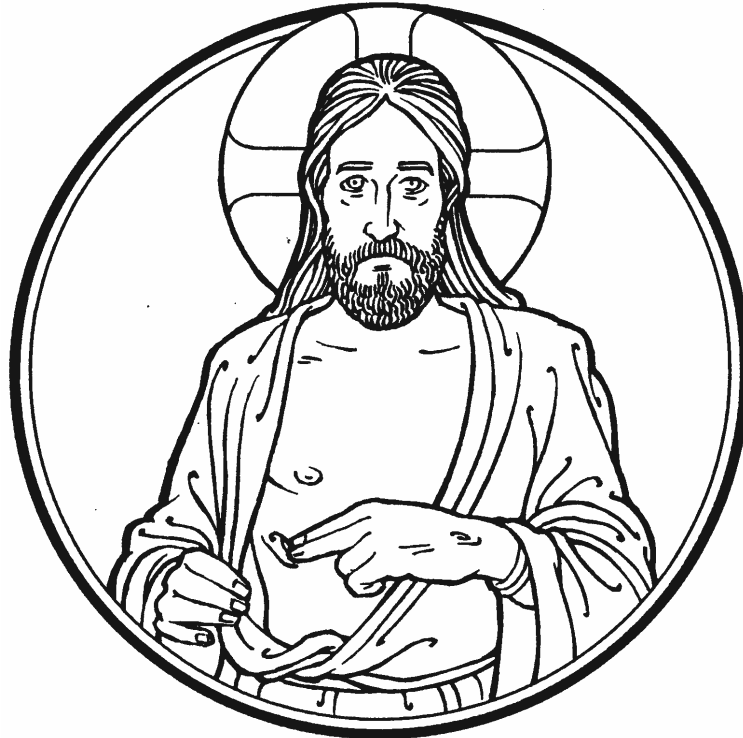


WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



We gather to celebrate the Divine Service. It is at the Divine Service that our Triune God is pleased to serve us. We are sinners who dare to stand on holy ground, confident that the Lord will receive us for the sake of Jesus' sacrificial death on the cross. We confess our sin and, therefore, our need for God's mercy and salvation. Since God is pleased to bestow his forgiveness through Word and Sacrament, that is the purpose of our gathering. In Word and Sacrament, the Holy Spirit delivers to us Jesus who presents us to the Father as his precious saints.



They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" (Luke 24:32)

3rd Sunday of Easter

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AD 2020, April 26th

Worship Tidbit for the 3rd Sunday in Lent

For centuries in the Christian Church, the Lenten season was a time of fasting, preparation, and repentance. This was particularly true of those who were preparing and studying to become members of the Christian Church. Starting on Ash Wednesday, these catechumens (*cat-a-KYU-mens*) would fast for 40 days before they were baptized on Easter Sunday. Fasting was not merely a matter of "giving something up for Lent." Fasting, a practice that the Israelites also did on the Day of Atonement, is an outward demonstration of repentance and consecration to the Lord. The worshiper forsakes physical needs to focus on spiritual needs. Fasting does not necessarily mean the total abstinence of food, but may be a cutting back. Though fasting is not commanded in the Scriptures, some Christians have found it valuable in expressing repentance.

THE COMMON SERVICE – PAGE 15 *(without communion)*

It is a laudable custom to make the sign of the cross on yourself where you see the sign of the cross (+) in the order of service.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Stand as the hymn is being introduced and turn to face the processional crucifix. The congregation shall face the crucifix as it moves forward. As the crucifix passes by your row, you may bow toward the crucifix in reverence to Christ the crucified.

Opening Hymn – 163 Welcome, Happy Morning

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



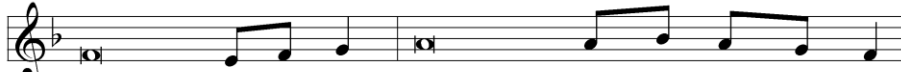
PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY BE TO GOD or another song of praise is sung.

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis



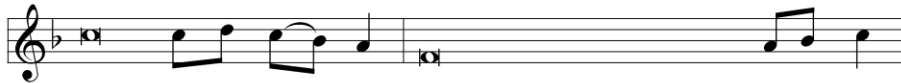
C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



FIRST LESSON Acts 2:14a,36-47

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Psalm of the Day -- Psalm 67

Verses -- Cantors (Ally Graves & Dan Rauchholz)

Refrain & Gloria Patri – Congregation

Psalm 67

Refrain



Let the peo - ple praise you, O God.



Let all the peo - ple praise you.

Psalm tone



Refrain

Let the people praise you, O God. Let all the people praise you.

May God be gracious to us and bless us*
and make his face shine upon us;

may your ways be known on earth,*
your salvation among all nations.

May the nations be glad and sing for joy,*
for you rule the peoples justly
and guide the nations of the earth.

Refrain

Then the land will yield its harvest,*
and God, our God, will bless us.

God will bless us,*
and all the ends of the earth will fear him.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

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SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 1:13-21

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶ since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.” And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Verse of the Day -- Hymn 108, stanza 3 (sung by cantor, Ally Graves)



After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

M: The Holy Gospel for today is from the Gospel according to St. Luke, chapter 24, beginning at the 13th verse.

GOSPEL Luke 24:13-35

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.” And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹ but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?” And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

Readings are from the English Standard Version

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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.**

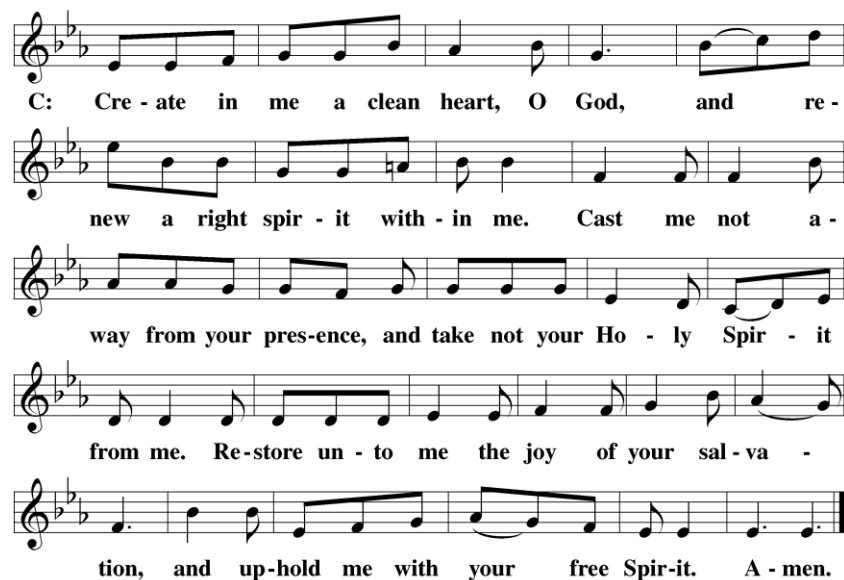
CHIEF HYMN – 160 This Joyful Eastertide

M: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SERMON -- 1 PETER 13-21

SERMON THEME -- THE RISEN SAVIOR RAISES OUR FOCUS.



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

SERMON PRAYER

Supplication during the COVID-19 pandemic

Found here: http://goodshepherdnovi.org/yahoo_site_admin/assets/docs/COVID19Supplication2020.99105734.pdf

INTERCESSIONS

Intercessions that are requested prior to the bulletin's printing will be included in the bulletin. Requests may be made prior to the service as well.

- For the family of Jerome Spaude, father of Cathy Mowers, called to eternal rest (4/19)
- For Troy & Jennifer Schmidli who have adopted a baby boy, Grant Bradford Schmidli

In our prayers....

While we offer up prayers for specific requests in our services, petitions and intercessions can be offered up throughout the week for continued concerns. Please continue to remember these in your prayers:

- For Rawland Storm who continues treatment for cancer
- Jan Papsen, who continues to suffer from the effects of cancer at home
- For Nicole, Joshua, and Noah Taylor who mourn the loss of Nicole's ex-husband and Joshua's & Noah's father, Mark Taylor

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.

Hymn 167 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



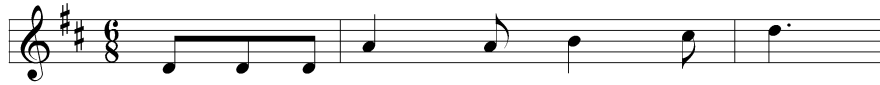
C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Recessional Hymn

As the crucifix departs from the chancel, continue to face it until it passes by your row. As it passes your row, you may bow again in reverence to Christ, the crucified. After the crucifix has passed your row, turn to face the altar again.

Closing Hymn - 722 Scatter the Darkness, Break the Gloom (next page)

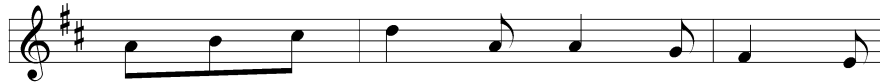
722 Scatter the Darkness, Break the Gloom



1 Scat - ter the dark - ness, break the gloom;
 2 Bear - ing the stan - dard from on high
 3 Ban - ners of tri - umph, be un - furled!



Sun, re - veal an emp - ty tomb
 As the Lamb of God to die;
 Trum - pets, sound through - out the world!



Shin - ing with joy for all our sor - rows,
 He who for us, so cruel - ly treat - ed,
 Cry - ing and sighs give way to sing - ing;



Hope and peace for all to - mor - rows,
 Lives a - gain—our foes de - feat - ed!
 Life from death, our Lord is bring - ing!



Life un - e - clised by doubt and dread:
 Where is your sting, O death and grave?
 Let there be - gin the ju - bi - lee—



Christ has ris - en from the dead!
 Christ has shown his strength to save!
 Christ has gained the vic - to - ry!

The joyful French carol BESANÇON is set to the even more joyful message of our Savior's triumphant resurrection from the dead.

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 Tune: BESANÇON (8 7 9 8 8 7)

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Preacher & Celebrant
 Organist
 Cantors

Pastor Thomas E. Schroeder
 Jeanette Schneider
 Ally Graves & Dan Rauchholz

THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Since the 5th century, the Paschal Candle has been used in the Church from Easter Sunday to Ascension Day. The Paschal Candle is lit for all worship services, during these forty days, as a symbol of the Resurrection. The rest of the year, the candle stands beside the Baptismal Font. The Paschal Candle is lit for each baptism, and placed by the casket of each burial, reminding us we are baptized and buried into Christ our Risen Lord. Paschal means “pertaining to the Passover,” or in the Christian Church, “Easter.”

CONCERNING PASTORAL CARE

Online Worship: You can join in our services via Facebook Live (Sundays, 10 AM and Wednesdays 7 PM). You can find it here, or by searching for "Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church." Make sure you click to the one in Novi.

Archived Resources: We now have a YouTube channel. A search for "Good Shepherd Novi" should bring up services. Currently, there are only two posted. As always, sermon manuscripts are posted on the pastor's blog (www.LutheranSubject.blogspot.com). You can use the search bar to find a particular date, day of the Church Year, or Scripture reference.

Person-to-person care: Pastor Schroeder will be in his office to offer private devotions, Holy Absolution, and Holy Communion to members in small groups or to individuals. You may come in without appointment at these times: Mondays and Thursdays, 8:00 AM - Noon and 6:00 - 9:00 PM. You may also set up an appointment at any time. Visits by appointment can be done either at church or at your home.

In case you contract COVID-19: Please contact Pastor Schroeder. He will alert the congregation so that your fellow members may pray for you, and he will keep everyone informed of your condition. If possible, Pastor Schroeder will visit you during your quarantine. At the very least, he will keep in contact with you and provide devotional materials. If you want to ask for intercessions for loved ones, we will certainly remember them in our prayers, too. If your loved one has no pastor, ask if they would like Pastor Schroeder to visit them.

CARE FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS

Despite the public health emergency that has placed limitations on in-person visits to mental health providers, Christian Family Solutions (CFS) is continuing its outpatient counseling, day treatment and intensive outpatient programming via telehealth solutions, removing obstacles for those who need care. Mental health issues are not suspended during national emergencies. If anything, anxiety, depression, and the challenges of addiction are heightened at this time.

CFS has been providing telehealth services since 2008, so we are experienced and effective at delivering services via secure, HIPAA-compliant video connection. We have been focused on refining our practices to obtain the same great outcomes for what is traditionally in-person programming – at a time when video counseling is so greatly needed.

We have expanded our reach to offer both outpatient and IOP/Day Treatment to people in a number of states via telehealth options. Telehealth means many of the old geography limitations are gone. We have openings to serve anyone regardless of their distance from a particular clinic.

If you or someone you know could benefit from evidence-based counseling integrated with a Christian perspective, please reach out to CFS, as we stand ready to assist and will remain focused on our mission to provide the healing and helping mission of Jesus Christ.

Simply call 800-438-1772 or visit www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org and click on REQUEST APPOINTMENT.

REGULAR SCHEDULE

Divine Service is Sundays at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live only)

Adult Bible Class is Wednesdays at 7:00 PM via Zoom conference. Registration is necessary at welsnovi@aol.com in order to receive class notes, Meeting ID #, and the password for Zoom.

OFFICE HOURS

Office hours at Good Shepherd have adjusted during the COVID-19 quarantine. For the most part, Lisa will be working from home. Pastor Schroeder will be in his office in case you would like to come in for Private Communion. Private Communion can be arranged at any time by appointment, or you can come without appointment at the following times:

Mondays – 8:00 AM – Noon and 6:00 – 9:00 PM

Thursdays – 8:00 AM – Noon and 6:00 – 9:00 PM

TEDDY BEAR DRIVE

This will be suspended for the time being. We plan on distributing these through the hospital later in the year. For now, keep any teddy bears you may have purchased.

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Sunday (4/26) Divine Service – Facebook Live at 10:00 AM

Monday Pastor's office hours for personal pastoral care – 8:00 AM – Noon
Catechism Class – 4:30-6:00 PM (via Zoom)

Wednesday Pastor's office hours for personal pastoral care – 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
6th Grade Bible History -- 3:45 PM (via Screencast-o-matic)

Thursday Adult Bible Class -- 7:00 PM (via Zoom; registration necessary)
Pastor's office hours for personal pastoral care – 8:00 AM – Noon
Pastor's office hours for personal pastoral care – 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Sunday (5/3) Divine Service – Facebook Live at 10:00 AM

A LOOK AT THE UPCOMING SCHEDULE

NOTE: All dates will be confirmed the closer we get to them.

APRIL *Note: All dates are subject to review, based on the COVID-19 updates.*

- 26 Divine Service (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 29 Adult Bible Class – (Zoom; registration necessary – 7:00 PM)

MAY

- 3 Divine Service – 10:00 AM
- 3 Sunday School Teachers' Meeting – 11:15 AM
- 6 Adult Bible Class – (Zoom; registration necessary – 7:00 PM)
- 10 Divine Service – 10:00 AM
- 13 Adult Bible Class – (Zoom; registration necessary – 7:00 PM)
- 16 Meet-Your-Neighbors breakfast – 9:00-11:00 AM
- 17 Divine Service – 10:00 AM
- 17 Ice Cream Social / Dedication of Church Bell Tower
- 17 Evangelism & Stewardship Committee Meetings – 11:15 AM
- 17 HVL Conference of Congregations – 2:00 PM
- 19 Church Council
- 20 Adult Bible Class – (Zoom; registration necessary – 7:00 PM)
- 21 Ascension Day
- 24 Divine Service – 10:00 AM
- 27 Adult Bible Class – (Zoom; registration necessary – 7:00 PM)

JUNE

- 1 Palabra de Vida Board Meeting – 7:00 PM
- 7 Elders' Meeting – 11:20 AM
- 16 Church Council
- 20 Meet-Your-Neighbors breakfast – 9:00-11:00 AM

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

We will be resuming our series entitled, “Bible Symbols” on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM.

While the Bible is written in clear language, it sometimes uses symbolism to reveal God's word to us. Such symbolism, while it can be confusing, also serves to illustrate God's mercy and salvation to us. In order to gain a deeper understanding of God's mercy and salvation, it serves us well to be familiar with the Bible's symbolism and word pictures.

This class will be done on the website Zoom, and there will be sheets emailed to you in advance. In order to make sure you receive the study guides and to get the password for the Zoom sessions, you will need to register for this class. Even if you will attend only occasionally, please register. I am also hoping to record these sessions so that they will be available on demand.

If you happen to have the book, God's Imagery, you can refer to that for each class period. The chapters that correspond to each session are below. NOTE It is not necessary to have the book for the class.

The class schedule will be as follows:

April 29	The Symbolism of numbers (Chapter 5)
May 6	Symbols of the Savior (Chapter 6)
May 13	The People of the Lord (Chapter 7)
May 20	Apocalyptic Literature (Chapter 8)
May 27	Types of Christ (Chapter 18)

NOTES from Huron Valley Lutheran High School (HVL)

Join HVL's Mailing List - Go to HVLHS.org and click on “Sign up for Newsletter” or call or email the school office at mail@hvlhs.org to be added.

International Program

We are excited to have a new international student beginning this semester from Italy. We are currently looking for host families for the 2020-2021 school year. Please contact HVL to find out more about this rewarding program. (734) 525-0160

Call News

Please keep HVL in your prayers as they continue to extend calls to fill a position for Athletic Director and instructor. As of this writing, no information about another call is known.

Attention all 8th Grade Students - HVL is now accepting applications for next year. Call the office, schedule a shadow date, check out our website (www.HVLHS.org).

HVL Financial Position - We thank you for your support of HVL through your prayers, volunteering, words of encouragement, and financial gifts. One example of your support for HVL is shown in the individual gifts given to HVL each year. So far this year, individual gifts have totaled over \$140,000. This is a tremendous blessing! If we are able to meet our goal of \$300,000 for this year, it will allow us to erase the deficit from prior years and put HVL on solid financial footing for the future. This is a tremendous opportunity for which we are truly thankful, and it is only possible due to your support.

SHUT-INS - Please remember our shut-ins in your thoughts and prayers.

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Jim Hobley	6950 Farmington Road	West Bloomfield, MI 48322
Margaretha Lester	935 Union Lake Road Apt. 218	White Lake Twp., MI 48386
Elaine Patton	42600 Cherry Hill Road, Rm. 115	Canton, MI 48188
Mary Zuehlke	29451 Halsted Road Apt. 118	Farmington Hills, MI 48331

WELS RADIO HOUR broadcasts 10:30-11:30 AM, Sundays, out of Lola Park Evangelical Lutheran Church of Redford. It airs on WLQV, AM 1500 and 92.7 FM. It is also simulcast on faithtalkdetroit.com and can be heard on the [faithtalkdetroit](http://faithtalkdetroit.com) phone app.

WELS CHURCH LOCATOR - If you are traveling out of town or on vacation, you can visit www.wels.net and click **Find a Church/School** at the top of the page, to find a WELS Church near you.

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We encourage our members to utilize opportunities for Christian education, grounded in the Evangelical-Lutheran faith. While we do not own and operate a school on our property, we are able to enroll our children at the following schools.

St. Peter Lutheran School
(Pre-K only)
1343 Penniman Avenue
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 421-9022
www.splp.org
Becky Lohrmann, teacher

St. Paul Lutheran School
(Pre-K through 8th grade)
17810 Farmington Road
Livonia, MI 48152
(734) 453-0460
www.stpaulslivonia.org
Mr. Paul Leifer, principal

Huron Valley Lutheran High School
(9th grade thru 12th grade)
33740 Cowan Road
Westland, MI 48185
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www.hvlhs.org
Mr. Matt Foley, principal