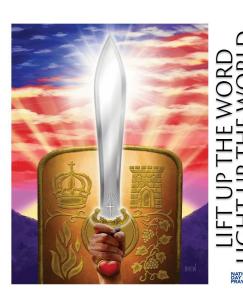




# Scholarship Available for 2024 High School Graduating Seniors

The Women of First English Lutheran Church will be giving a scholarship for this year's graduating high school senior who are planning to continue their education at a four -year college, junior college, or vocational school.

The application can be found on the church website at www.firstenglishchurch.com, along with the criteria. Applications are due by May 10. Scholarships will be awarded during worship during Senior Recognition Sunday.



# **Mark Your Calendars!**

The Cannon Valley National Day of Prayer Committee invites you to this special community prayer event!

What: 25th Annual Prayer for the Cannon Valley in observance of the National Day of Prayer

When: Thursday Evening, May 2, 2024

6:30 pm

THE 73rd ANNUAL NATIONAL DA **THURSDAY**,

Where: St. Ansgar's Lutheran Church

Sanctuary

Who: All are welcome to join us as we pray for

**our nation and our community!**Light refreshments will follow the service.



# Season of Easter

# First English Lutheran Church Sunday, April 21, 2024

PRELUDE

Voluntary on "This Joyful Eastertide" by Charles Callahan

Welcome

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENT**

Please welcome **Colton Marshall Bergenson**, born November 25, 2023 in Red Wing MN to **Katie Beebe** and **Justin Bergenson**. Colton's sponsors are **Michael Beebe** and **Britney Bergenson**.

#### **PRESENTATION**

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

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Leader: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Leader: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

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Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.** 

Leader: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with

the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People: Amen.

#### **BAPTISM**

HYMN "You Belong to Christ" ELW 212

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Leader: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

(Please stand.)

#### **GATHERING HYMN**

"Psalm 23"

1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me lie in pastures green. He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul.

Chorus:

And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone;
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.

 He guides my ways in righteousness, And He anoints my head with oil; And my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on His pure delights.

Chorus

3. And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one;
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.
Chorus

#### **GATHERING**

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy

Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

# **Worship Participants**

Pastor Luke Hollander

Director of Children, Youth and Families: Maddie Patterson

Organist: Deb Stark

Ushers: LuAnn and Rick Hughes, Lay Reader: Brian McDonald Offering Officer: Julie Gergen; Communion Assistant: Kay Sabin

Technical Team: Gary Anderson, Karen Anderson, Steve Gesme, Lynette Pagel

#### **CROWD NOTICE**

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#### Music

#### Voluntary on "This Joyful Eastertide"

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Psalm 23

#### Here I Am to Worship

Author: Tim Hughes © 2000 Thankyou Music

#### The King of Love My Shepherd

Author: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877 Irish tune

#### Here I Am to Worship

Author: Tim Hughes © 2012 Thank You Music

#### My Shepherd, You Supply My Need

Author: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748 North American Traditional

#### Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Author: Dorothy a. Thrupp, 1779-1847 Composer: William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

#### God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Author: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828-1904 Composer: William G. Tomer, 1833-1896

#### The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

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# **Upcoming Schedule**

#### Wednesday, April 24

10 am Birding Hike at Miesville Ravine1 pm Staff Meeting6 pm Confirmation Classes7:30 pm Wednesday Worship

#### Thursday, April 25

10 am-Noon CF Food Shelf

#### Sunday, April 26

9 am Worship Sunday School during Worship

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

(Please be seated.)

**COMMUNION** 

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COMMUNION HYMNS "My Shepherd, You Supply My Need" ELW 782
"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" ELW 789

(Please stand.)

#### **COMMUNION PRAYER**

# Sending

#### **BLESSING**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter

hope, + bless you now and always.

People: Amen.

**SENDING HYMN** "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" ELW 536

**DISMISSAL** 

Leader: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE "The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing" By Graham Kendrick

#### CANTICLE OF PRAISE

#### "Here I Am to Worship"

#### by Tim Hughes

1. Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,

Opened my eyes, let me see Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with you.

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down; Here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me.

 King of all days, O so highly exalted, Glorious in heaven above, Humbly You came to the earth You created, All for love's sake became poor. So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down; Here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me.

3. And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross. And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross.

So here we are to worship, here we are to bow down;

Here we are to say that You're our God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to us.

Here we are to worship.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

All: O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Creator and the Sustainer, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

## Word

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

#### **Maddie Patterson**

#### **READING** Acts 4:5-12

### Brian McDonald

<sup>5</sup>The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.'

<sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God**.

**PSALM** Psalm 23

All: <sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures

and leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

SECOND READING 1 John 3:16-24

**Brian McDonald** 

<sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

<sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup> and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

<sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand.)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** 

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GOSPEL John 10:11-18 Pastor Luke Hollander

The gospel according to John.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] 11" I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.  $^{12}$ The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good

shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup> just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

**SERMON** Pastor Luke Hollander

(Please stand.)

HYMN OF THE DAY "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" ELW 502

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**Pastor Luke Hollander** 

At the conclusion of each prayer, "God of grace,"

People: Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

(Please be seated.)

Meal

OFFERING

**OFFERING MUSIC** "Here I Am to Worship" By Tim Hughes

Performed by the FELC Bell Choir

(Please stand.)

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE** "We Are an Offering" **ELW 692** 

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** 

**GREAT THANKSGIVING** pg 190

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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