

Sending into the World

*Sending Hymn:

I'd Rather Have Jesus

#506

Postlude

**Please stand in body or in spirit.*

Please join us for fellowship following worship.

Music: Peggy Davidson

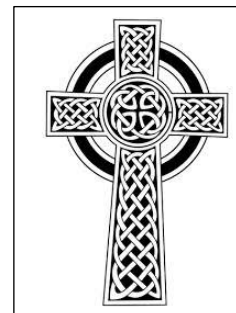
Liturgist: Heidi Eimers

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Announcements:

- Final Youth Group, Wednesday, April 9th, at 6:30.
- A Narcotics Anonymous group started on Sunday, April 6th, at 7:00 PM at St John's Lutheran, in their fellowship hall.
- We would like to encourage members of the congregation to bring Easter Lilies for the church to display at the altar. If notified, Jane will print donations and memorials in the bulletin. Thanks.
- Don and Sharon Tisher want to invite the church family to an open-house popcorn party, today, from 2-5 at their Country Museum, a mile north and a mile west of Amherst. All ages welcome.
- The PW Spring Rummage Sale is scheduled for April 25th and 26th. Set-up will be during the day on the 24th, and help is always needed. Please bring your items the week of the sale, and place them under the tables to avoid tripping, Thank you.
- Maundy Thursday service w/communion will be April 17th at 7:00 P.M.

In our thoughts & prayers: Please pray for Jeani Amacher, Vicki Beck and others dealing with cancer; for Deanna Jahnig and her son, "Bumper", Gail Eberlein, John Eimers, Don Jarrett, Tyson Morris, and many others dealing with serious health concerns; the family of Joyce Kann, and others dealing with the loss of loved ones; and all people around the world dealing with loss and devastation.



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April 6th, 2025

Welcome to Worship
April 6th, 2025, 10:00 A.M.
Fifth Sunday in Lent

Gathering Around the Word

Ringling of the Bell

Announcements

Prelude: *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*
w/And Can It Be

Peggy Davidson

Invocation

*Call to Worship:

When we have been hurt and lost,

God brings us laughter and joy.

When our lives reach a dead end,

God opens a way forward.

When the rivers of our lives dry up,

God sends living water to quench our thirst.

God has done great things for us!

Let us rejoice!

*Hymns of Praise: *Bless His Holy Name* #55
Something Beautiful #507(2x)
When We All Get to Heaven #772

*Call to Confession:

*Prayer of Confession: Compassionate God, we do not always see the harvest of joy that we sow from our tears. Some losses take hold of us and we dwell in disappointment and grief. We don't always know what to think of you. We want to embrace new life, hope, and joy, but don't always know how. Bless us with your merciful help, that we might walk from our tombs like Lazarus, and sit by Jesus' side, eating and →

laughing. Help us kneel at Jesus' feet in love and commitment, as we celebrate our new lives. Come to us, healing God, and renew us and our love for you. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (words on screen)

Children's Message and Offering:

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hearing the Word

Scriptures: Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14 Heidi Eimers

Hymn of Consecration: *I Surrender All* #596

Gospel Reading: John 12:1-11 Lance Griesse

Congregation: "Thanks be to God"

Message: "Forgiven Much, Love Much" Lance Griesse

Giving of our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Offertory: *Abide* Peggy Davidson

*Response: *We Give Thee But Thine Own* (#816)

Offering Prayer: Dearest Friend, you chose a path of suffering to reach out to us in our suffering. Use us and our gifts to extend your love and comfort to reach people in places of loss and grief. Use us and our gifts this day to bring hope and compassion to those who weep, that they may know your miraculous power and your fullness of life. Use us and our gifts to bring shouts of joy to those who weep with bitter tears. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.