



ST. JOHN'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

This is the message
we have heard from him
and proclaim to you,
that God is light,
and in him
is no darkness at all.
If we say we have
fellowship with him
while we walk in darkness,
we lie and do not
practice the truth.



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April 11th, 2021 ~ The Second Sunday of Easter

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PRELUDE: "O Sons and Daughters of the King"

Ernst Pepping

(Text for meditation: LSB # 470)

OPENING HYMN: "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

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1 Come, you faith-ful, raise the strain Of tri - um-phant glad-ness!
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst His pris - on
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright With the day of splen - dor,
4 For to - day a-mong His own Christ ap - peared, be - stow - ing



God has brought His Is - ra - el In - to joy from sad - ness,
And from three days' sleep in death As a sun has ris - en;
With the roy - al feast of feasts Comes its joy to ren - der;
His deep peace, which ev - er-more Pass - es hu - man know - ing.



Loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,
All the win - ter of our sins, Long and dark, is fly - ing
Comes to glad - den faith-ful hearts Which with true af - fec - tion
Nei - ther could the gates of death Nor the tomb's dark por - tal



Led them with un-moist-ened foot Through the Red Sea wa - ters.
From His light, to whom is giv'n Laud and praise un - dy - ing.
Wel - come in un - wea - ried strain Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!
Nor the watch-ers nor the seal Hold Him as a mor - tal.

5 Alleluia! Now we cry
To our King immortal,
Who, triumphant, burst the bars
Of the tomb's dark portal.
Come, you faithful, raise the strain
Of triumphant gladness!
God has brought His Israel
Into joy from sadness!

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

(Antiphon, 1 Pet. 2:2; Ps. 81:1-2, 10)

Like newborn infants, alle-| luia,*
long for the pure spiritual milk. Alleluia, alleluia, alle- | luia.

Sing aloud to | God our strength;*
shout for joy to the God of | Jacob!

Raise a song; sound the | tambourine,*
the sweet lyre | with the harp.

I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of | Egypt.*
Open your mouth wide, and I will | fill it.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Like newborn infants, alle-| luia,*
long for the pure spiritual milk. Alleluia, alleluia, alle- | luia.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy 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,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Grant, we implore You, almighty God, that we who have celebrated the solemnities of the Lord's resurrection may, by the help of Your grace, bring forth the fruits thereof in our life and conversation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

FIRST LESSON

Acts 4:32-35

Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 148

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the | heavens;*

praise him | in the heights!

Praise him, all his | angels;*

praise him, | all his hosts!

Praise him, | sun and moon,*

praise him, all you | shining stars!

Praise him, you highest | heavens,*

and you waters above the | heavens!

Let them praise the name | of the LORD!*

For he commanded and they were cre- | ated.

And he established them forever and | ever;*

he gave a decree, and it shall not | pass away.

Praise the LORD | from the earth,*

you great sea creatures and | all deeps,

fire and hail, | snow and mist,*

stormy wind fulfill- | ing his word!

Mountains and | all hills,*

fruit trees and all | cedars!

Beasts and all | livestock,*
creeping things and | flying birds!
Kings of the earth and all | peoples,*
princes and all rulers | of the earth!
Young men and maidens to- | gether,*
old men and | children!

Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is ex- | alted;*
his majesty is above earth and | heaven.

He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for | all his saints,*
for the people of Israel who are near to him. | Praise the LORD!

EPISTLE

1 John 1:1-2:2

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Eight days later, although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among his disciples and said, "Peace be with you."



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: "O Sons and Daughters of the King"

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1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly
2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful
3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them
5 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard That they had



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!
wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.
speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."
came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."
seen the ris - en Lord, He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,
And look upon My hands, My feet;
Not faithless but believing be."
Alleluia!

7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
Alleluia!

8 How blest are they who have not seen
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days
Be laud and jubilee and praise:
To God your hearts and voices raise.
Alleluia!

SERMON

CHOIR: “Triumphant from the Grave”

Bruce R. Backer
setting by Carl Schalk

*Triumphant from the grave
Rose Jesus strong to save.
He crushed—O Christian, mark it well!—
Sin, Satan, death, and hell.*
Refrain: *Now sing your glad song
And joyous praise to him prolong!*

*Buried like sinful man
Who ends his mortal span,
Our Lord could not for long lie there,
Decay of men to share. **Refrain***

*Fierce though God’s wrath had been,
Afflicting him for men,
The fiery judgment burned no more;
Its fury had passed o’er. **Refrain***

*Sure bond and guarantee
God gave to you and me:
The Father has raised up his Son
To seal redemption won. **Refrain***

*Now Satan is undone!
Now death’s dread power is gone!
From fear of hell you are set free
Through Jesus’ victory! **Refrain***

- Werner H. Franzmann, 1905-96

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P O gracious Lord Jesus Christ, honor and praise be to You that You have overcome sin, reconciled us with God, and made a way for us to eternal life. Honor and praise be to You that by death You have destroyed our death and by Your resurrection have brought us life, and that we, Your members, shall not remain in the grave, but rise with You to glory everlasting. Honor and praise be to You also that after Your resurrection You did mercifully show Yourself to Your disciples and friends, making glad their sorrowing hearts with exceeding comfort.

We implore You, therefore, appear also to us and all Christendom with peace and joy. Show us the print of the nails and Your wounded side; and when we are slow of heart to believe, open to us the Scriptures by Your Holy Spirit, and grant

us rightly to know the mystery of Your death and the power of Your resurrection. Help us to believe without doubting that You did hide our iniquity in Your grave, and for our benefit did destroy death and the grim prison house, and did truly rise and enter into Your glory to make us partakers of the same, that as strangers and pilgrims on earth we may earnestly long for our eternal home and rest the hope of our blessed departure on You, the living Lord of Glory.

May we also, by the renewal of Your Holy Spirit, rise daily from the servitude of sin and as Your living members evermore delight in Your service and praise.

You, O Lord, are the Strength of the weak and the Consolation of the afflicted. May we, therefore, not despair in the hour of trial, even though our eyes be kept for a time not to know You. Be evermore our Companion upon the way and the Guest of our homes. Bless our daily bread. Grant peace to our land and peace to our souls, and preserve the joy and gladness of Easter continually in our hearts. When the day is far spent and the sun about to set, when the shadows thicken around us, in the gathering gloom of the eventide of life, in the agony and pain of death, graciously abide with us, and lead our souls out of this vale of sorrows into the heavenly Jerusalem. And on the last great day, when the voice of the archangel is heard, O risen Lord, who are clothed with immortality and glory, raise up our mortal bodies and make them like unto Your glorious body, and grant peace everlasting in the mansions of heaven, where we shall see You face to face and where You will hold gracious conversation with us and be our Joy and Pleasure, our Light and our Glory, world without end.

C Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

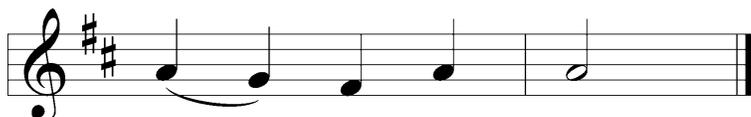
SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN: "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia"

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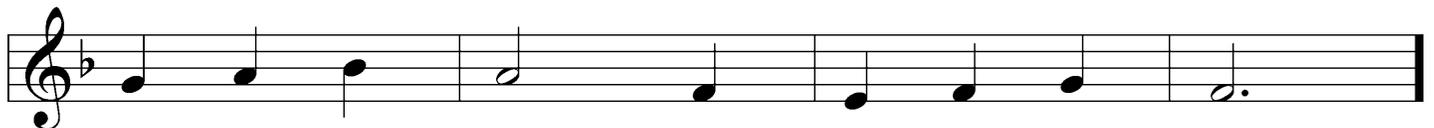
1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
2 For three long days the grave did its worst
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!
4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;
5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
You look for Je - sus who is not here.
He has a - ris - en this world to save.
Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
He who gives life did death un - der - go;
See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
And in its con - quest His might did show.
On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain

Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;

Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.

Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

POSTLUDE: “O Sons and Daughters of the King”

Healey Willan

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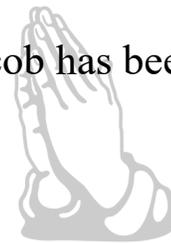
DeeAnn: Janell Levendusky's sister. Has a tumor and an Oncologist has been consulted.

Family of Jacob Meiwes: (Grandson of the McBee's and Alma Mobbs) Jacob has been found safe.

Family of Bradley Jesse: (Graumann family) Passed away.

Ronnie Asberry: (Friend of Jessica O'Loughlin) has stage four cancer.

Reagan Rose and baby Foust: newborns.



*Thank you for the beautiful music for this Easter from the choir,
OU students, musicians, bells, and Dr. Sproat.
Your talents are appreciated. ~Rhonda Tollers*

ATTENTION!

Our next Council meeting will be TODAY, immediately after late service. We ask all boards to provide a representative as we approve the agenda for the next Voter's meeting which will be held after late service on April 25. Anyone who wants to bring something to the Voter's at the April 25 meeting needs to attend the Council meeting to get included in the agenda.

Daily Readings: Page 299 to 304 in LSB

May 11• Num. 9:1–23 Luke 16:1–18

May 12• Num. 10:11–36 Luke 16:19–31

May 13• Num. 11:1–23, 31–35 Luke 17:1–19

May 14• Num. 11:24–29; 12:1–16 Luke 17:20–37

May 15• Num. 13:1–3, 17–33 Luke 18:1–17

May 16• Num. 14:1–25 Luke 18:18–34

May 17• Num. 14:26–45 Num. 15:1–41 Luke 18:35—19:10

May 18• Song 1:1—2:7 John 5:1–18

May 19• Song 2:8—3:11 John 5:19–29

May 20• Song 4:1—5:1 John 5:30–47

May 21• Song 5:2—6:3 John 6:1–21

May 22• Song 6:4—7:5 John 6:22–40

May 23• Song 7:6—8:14 John 6:41–59

May 24• Eccl. 1:1–18 Esther 1:1—10:3 John 6:60–71

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENDANCE

Maundy Thursday: 48
Good Friday: 67
Sunday, March 14th
8:00: 41 - 10:30: 87

STEWARDSHIP

No updates

CAMP LUTHERHOMA

May 28-31 is free for families who might be interested in checking out camp Lutherhoma, check out the website:

<http://www.lutherhoma.com/Summer/summerschedule.php>

LWML invites you to our Spring Fling Event Connecting Hearts and Hands



Zechariah 7:9b CSB

**Saturday, April 17
In Blanchard Hall**

**Registration and continental breakfast
beginning at 8:30 am**

**Bible study, fellowship, and a mission project
beginning at 9 am.**

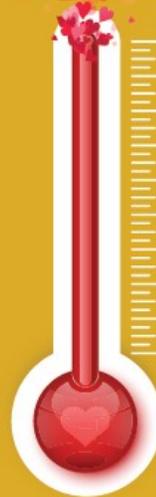
Lutheran Women's Missionary League Grant #21 LCMS Deaconess Ministry LCMS Office of International Mission — \$39,523

The LCMS Deaconess Ministry works both domestically and internationally. LCMS deaconesses are women who are full-time professional church workers trained to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ through works of mercy, spiritual care, and teaching of the Christian faith. For information and how to help go to: www.lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-21.

2019-2021 Biennium

Mission Goal:
\$2,100,000

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RUNNING TO LEXINGTON — “Mites in Action” speakers are inspirational favorites at LWML conventions. June 24–27, 2021, in Lexington, Kentucky, attendees will hear Rev. Jeff Mueller share the Christ-centered impact the Mobile Medical Mercy Mission Bus for Guatemala grant has had. Gary Thies of Mission Central in Iowa will speak on deaconess support provided by the Women’s Witness and Mercy Asia grant. We will be “Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus.”

GET TO KNOW YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Get Involved, Make a Difference.

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|---------------------------|--|----------------|
| Sunday School | Sundays, 9:15am | School |
| Handbell Choir | Mondays, 05:45pm | Sanctuary |
| Choir | Mondays, 06:45pm | Choir Loft |
| Tuesday Night Bible Class | Tuesdays, 6:00pm | Blanchard Hall |
| Senior Saints | CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE | Blanchard Hall |
| LWML | The first Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm | Blanchard Hall |
| Mission Board | CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE | Library |
| Quilters | Wednesdays, 9:00am-11:00am | Blanchard Hall |
| Wednesday Bible Study | Wednesdays, 11:00am | Sanctuary |
| Men's Bible Study | The 3rd Saturday of the month, 8:00am | Blanchard Hall |

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED OR WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE PLEASE REFER TO THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE WEST HALLWAY!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

April 11th

Barbara & Karl Gray

April 12th

Bruce & Charlotte Baird

April 18th

Shandi & Will Flores

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April 12th: Logan Carter, Shandi Flores

April 15th: Keith Stuewe

April 16th: Rick Harpham

April 17th: Sarah Holley



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

For the Week of April 11th, 2021 - April 18th, 2021

SUNDAY

April 11th

Worship Service

08:00am, Sanctuary

Bible Study

9:15am, Blanchard Hall

Sunday School

9:15am, School Building

Worship Service

10:30am, Sanctuary

MONDAY

April 12th

Choir Rehearsal

06:45pm, Choir Loft

Hand Bell Rehearsal

05:45pm, Sanctuary

SUNDAY

April 18th

Worship Service

08:00am, Sanctuary

Bible Study

9:15am, Blanchard Hall

Sunday School

9:15am, School Building

Worship Service

10:30am, Sanctuary

TUESDAY

April 13th

Tuesday Night Bible Study

06:00pm, Library

PUBLISHING DEADLINE

**Sunday Bulletin information
& Newsletter Articles
due Wednesdays at Noon.**

*Instead of just once a month,
you may now send articles any week
you would like and they will be
included in the Sunday bulletin.*

If possible please type and submit
articles by email to Lacy Urban at:
Lacy@stjohnsmoore.life

*EMAILING ARTICLES HELPS TO
ELIMINATE ERRORS.*

THANK YOU

WEDNESDAY

April 14th

Bible Study

11:00am, Sanctuary

Confirmation Class

04:30pm, Blanchard Hall

Worship Service

06:30pm, Sanctuary

