

St. Peder's Lutheran Church

Welcome to St. Peder's! All people are welcome to fully participate in worship, regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, age, physical and mental abilities, and socio-economic status. We offer large print and braille copies of our bulletin for those with vision impairment. For your convenience, we also offer opportunities to worship online!

Introduction to the Fourth Sunday of Easter

The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.

GATHERING

Prelude *Trumpet Tune on "Laudate Dominum"*
by David Lasky

Welcome, Peace, and Announcements

Opening Prayer Back cover of red hymnal

Gathering Hymn *Gather Us In* (ELW 532)

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy God, we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen

Hear this word of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Kyrie WOV pg. 12
Canticle of Praise WOV pg. 14
Prayer of the Day Insert

WORD

First Lesson *Acts 4:5-12* Insert
The Word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Psalm 23* Insert
Second Lesson *1 John 3:16-24* Insert

The Word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Gathering of the Children

Gospel Acclamation WOY pg. 17

Holy Gospel *John 10:11-18* Insert

The Gospel of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *Have No Fear, Little Flock* (ELW 764)

Apostles' Creed Back cover of red hymnal

Prayers of the People

Response: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer Back cover of red hymnal

Offering

In this moment, we reflect upon the many gifts in our lives – our time, our talents, and our treasures. In sharing these gifts, you bless others in the name of God's glory. If you would like to donate digitally, please use this QR code to do so.



Gift of Music *What Wondrous Love Is This*
By Matthew F. Walicke

Offering Prayer

Risen One, you call to us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

Benediction

Sending Hymn *God Be With You Til We Meet Again* (ELW 536)

Sending Back cover of red hymnal

Postlude *Tocatta on Et Filii Filiae*

By Craig Penfield

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**Serving in Worship this Morning**

**Greeters:** Joe & Annalise Munnich

**Ushers:** Craig Rocheleau & Eva Tangen

**Acolyte:** Walter Anderson **Reader:** Tim Anderson

**Counters:** Marcia Rocheleau & Tim Anderson

**Livestream Technician:** Darrick Jensen

**LSS Safehouse for April 22:** Kathryn Jensen, Lisa Jensen  
& Butch Vossen

**Social Hour hosted by Shepherding Group 3**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Lutheran Social Services Youth Benefit**

Lutheran Social Services is holding their Reaching Further 2024 Benefit for Youth Twin Cities. This event is to celebrate all the ways they support youth and families with the resources they need to live full and abundant lives. The event will take place on **Tuesday, May 7 with check-in and dinner beginning at 5:30 at Quincy Hall, 1325 Quincy Street NE, Minneapolis, MN.** Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at [events.lssmn.org](http://events.lssmn.org) by entering "Metro Benefit for Youth".

**Kith & Kin Fundraiser Musical Show**

Kith and Kin is happy to announce that tickets are now available for their season 7 finale- a choral collaboration with local artist Humbird. There will be showings at **4 pm at 8 pm at The Cedar Cultural Center on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.** Proceeds from both shows support the vital work of Raices Sagradas, a nonprofit whose mission is to support by providing culturally sensitive professional psychotherapy services to immigrant individuals, couples, and families who have experienced unimaginable pain and trauma. Learn more about the event and purchase tickets at <http://www.kithandkinchorus.org/>.

**Red Cross Blood Drive**

St. Peder's is hosting a blood drive on **Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 7 pm** in the Fellowship Hall and Lounge. If you are interested in volunteering to help Red Cross staff or to donate blood, please contact Sue Nielsen at [suenielsen76@gmail.com](mailto:suenielsen76@gmail.com).

## This Week at St. Peder's

**Today: Sunday,  
April 21**

9am Worship  
9am Youth Faith  
Formation  
10am Coffee &  
Fellowship

**Monday, April 22**  
6:15pm Kith & Kin  
Rehearsal\*

**Tuesday, April 23**  
10am Exercise class\*  
6pm Bible Study

**Wednesday, April 24**  
11am – 7pm Red Cross  
Blood Drive

**Thursday, April 25**  
10am Exercise class\*

**Saturday, April 27**  
10:30am Brownies\*

\*denotes community group



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*Rooted in our heritage and embracing the future, we joyfully live the gospel with open hearts,  
open hands and open doors.*

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