



*"We invite, encourage, educate and empower
all people to follow God and serve others."*

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME

RINGING OF THE BELL

INVOCATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*We gather for worship as Easter people in the name of the Triune God
– Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

inspired by Psalm 23, John 10

I AM the good shepherd

**(the one who tends us, guides us into pastures, who
recognises the sounds of our names).**

I AM the good shepherd

**(the one who bends to heal us travels through the deepest
valleys with us who give up everything for us all).**

I AM the good shepherd

**(the one whose rod and staff comfort us whose strength and
love holds us whose cup of love runneth over).**

I AM the good shepherd

and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever

Let us gather here

God's People in God's love for God's world

~ posted on the New Kilpatrick Parish Church website.

A hymn of glory let us sing!

New hymns throughout the world shall ring:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Christ, by a road before untrod,
ascends unto the throne of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
all praise to you let earth accord:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

You are, while endless ages run,
with Father and with Spirit one.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray

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 Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 John 3:16-24

Jesus' death on our behalf is the clearest demonstration of divine love. This is the very love we share with others, not just through our words but especially through our deeds. In sharing such love we fulfill God's commandments.

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How 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?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from

the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And 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. ²⁴All 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.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

Video

SCRIPTURE READING

John 10:11-18

In language that recalls the twenty-third psalm, Jesus describes himself as the shepherd who cares for his sheep. He is willing to die for them, and he is able to overcome death for them.

[Jesus said:] ¹¹“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The 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. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I 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. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No 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 word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

O God, ... we pray **Abide with us in love.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us* #789
Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,

**you have bought us; we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us; we are yours.**

**We are yours; in love befriend us,
be the guardian of our way;
keep your flock, from sin defend us,
seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
hear us children when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
hear us children when we pray.**

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Okay, we will. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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UP NEXT

Sunday, April 25th

9:30am Worship @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube

10:30am Outreach Committee Meets

5:00pm Confirmation

Thursday, April 29th

7:00pm Bible Study with Chelle via Zoom

Zoom Meeting ID: 886-0644-8843 Password: 372054

Sunday, May 2nd

9:30am Worship with Communion @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube

6:30-8pm HS Youth Group

www.facebook.com/OSLHermosa

www.youtube.com/TheOSLHermosa



We Lift in Prayer...

**Those who are grieving losses of any sort, including the friends and family of Terri Roberts (sister of Chelle Schefcik), Stephanie (friend of Carmen Lakner's daughter)

**Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Ruth Henriksen (Mother of Rebecca Kaisers); Bob Anderson; Ashley James; Randall (friend of Carmen Lakner's daughter); Carmen Lakner; Audra (daughter of Ron Wagner)

**Those with on-going health concerns, including Sandy Anderson; Linda (Friend of Cathy Dahl); Dennis Wilkerson; Kitty Aman; Peg Tesch; Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Pepper (nephew of Mike and Dianna Baschnagel); Marlene (Aunt of Jason Virtue); Michael (cousin of Donna Zuerlein); Brenda Kummer; Bernadean (mother of Alan Johnson); Aldean (Cousin of Deann Hagen)

**For those in long-term care facilities

**For our firefighters, our first responders and our frontline & healthcare workers.

**For our leaders at every level.

**For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far.

WE HAVE CHOCOLATE!

The OSL Community Youth Group and the 2021 Bible Campers are selling chocolate bars to raise money for their summer faith opportunities!

The regular candy bars are \$1.00 each and the large candy bars and boxes of chocolate are \$2.00 each.

You can get them from Pastor Deb, from Josie in the church office (M-TH 10:00-3:00) or from any of the fundraising kids! If you would like to know who is attending camp, please call the church office. 255-4662. Please spread the word! Enjoy some yummy treats and help out our community youth!



BLOOD DRIVE



Make every
day awesome

Hermosa Community Blood Drive

Monday, May 3rd
2:00-6:45 PM
American Legion
14380 E Hwy 40

Blood needs don't take a
vacation.

To make an appointment:

1. Contact Deb @ 605-484-2628
2. Log on to bloodhero.com
and use code HERMOSA to
locate a drive.

There is no waiting
period to donate blood
after receiving the
COVID Vaccine.

Appointments suggested.
Walk-ins welcome.

United Blood Services is
now Vitalant.

 GIVE BLOOD TODAY | vitalant.org
Eligibility questions? Call 605-646-2622

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**Thank you
for taking
our Survey!**

Thank you to those that gave your feedback and thoughts with our recent survey. The OS� Council appreciates your ideas/thoughts/concerns/beliefs. They are going to use the information received to make decisions about future plans in their upcoming meetings. THANK YOU!



**American
Red Cross**

The American Red Cross responds to an emergency across the United States every 8 minutes. From small house fires to multi-state natural disasters, the American Red Cross goes wherever they are needed, so people can have clean water, safe shelter and hot meals when they need them most. Their purpose is to meet the immediate disaster-caused needs of individuals, families, and communities. They help to shelter families, serve meals, support emergency responders, deliver relief supplies, provide medical care and create recovery plans. Most recently in our area, the Central & Western South Dakota Red Cross Community Chapter responded to multiple wildfires and set up evacuation sites for those needing to evacuate their homes in Rapid City and Keystone.

Along with disaster assistance, the Red Cross serves as blood and platelet donation centers and provide valuable training and information in first aid, CPR, lay responder safety, mental health and multiple other areas. Military families also count on the Red Cross for help when emergencies arrive and their loved one is deployed. More information about all the work of the American Red Cross can be found at www.redcross.org. April's Mission of the Month financial donations will be sent to our local Red Cross organization in Rapid City to assist them in their work. *Contributions can be placed in the Globe offering, the offering plate, mailed to OSL or given to the Mission of the Month using Tithely. Checks can be made out to OSL with "Mission" in the memo line. Thank you for your support.*

ARE YOU UP FOR THE CHALLENGE?

Because of the amazing generosity of our congregation, we have raised over \$14,000 for our Sound and Broadcasting Systems Project! This includes two previous challenges that were met for \$1000 each!

A third \$1000-matching challenge has been issued by anonymous members of the congregation! Yes, they will match up to another \$1000!

If you can give to this challenge, please do. And a huge thank you to everyone that has already donated.