

Order of Worship

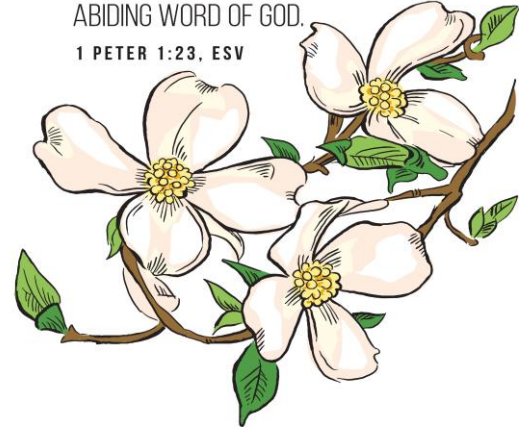
April 19, 2025

8:30am

*You have been
born again...*

THROUGH THE LIVING AND
ABIDING WORD OF GOD.

1 PETER 1:23, ESV



Welcome *Pastor Jim Von Busch*

Opening Hymn *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"* 469

- 1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n today!" Saints on earth and angels say. Raise your joys and triumphs high, Sing ye heav'ns, and earth reply.
- 2 Love's redeeming work is done, fought the fight, the battle won
Lo! Our Sun's eclipse is o'er, Lo! He sets in blood no more.
- 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Christ has burst the gates of hell.
Death in vain forbids His rise, Christ has opened paradise.
- 4 Lives again our glorious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died our souls to save, where thy victory, O grave?
- 5 Soar we now where Christ has led, foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
- 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now: hail, the resurrection, Thou!

Invocation and Confession

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

C **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

Absolution *words of forgiveness spoken by the pastor*

Hymn of Praise

"This Is the Feast" 171

- P This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia
- C **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**
- Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen**
- This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you
- C **And also with you.**
- P Let us pray together:

All Almighty God, through your only son You overcame death and opened for us the entrance to eternal life. Give us Your continual mercy; put Your good desires into our minds and bring them to full fruition; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: ³⁶ "Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸ And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." ⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." ⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Epistle Reading

1 Peter 1:17-25

¹⁷ And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸ knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰ He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you ²¹ who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²² Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³ since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴ for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, ²⁵ but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Gospel Reading

Alleluia and Verse

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C Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

Luke 24:13-35

¹³ That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶ But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹ And he said to them, "What things?"

And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²² Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see."

²⁵ And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸ So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹ but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹ And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

³³ And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴ saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

Sermon Outline - Pastor Jim Von Busch

Peter: A Changed Man "A Ransom Paid"

1 Peter 1:17-25

Introduction: Stockholm Syndrome

1. Since God is your _____...

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile... 1 Peter 1:17

2. Since God _____ you...

... knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold. 1 Peter 1:18

3. Since God gave you _____...

...since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God. 1 Peter 1:23

The Offering

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" (arr. Martha Mier) piano solo

Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

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

Preface and Sanctus

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P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Words of Institution

Agnus Dei

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace grant us peace.

Hymns during distribution

"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness" 563

"In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light my strength my song

This Cornerstone this solid ground firm through the fiercest drought and storm

What heights of love what depths of peace when fears are stilled when strivings cease

My Comforter my All in All here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death this is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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The Communion Blessing

Thank the Lord

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- C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Collect

- P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift,
and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith
toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen

The Benediction

Closing Hymn

"O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee" 632

- 1 O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee my heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed on me Thy body and Thy blood.
- 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: what wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

Ministry Moments

- † Singing' in the Rain Jr. – GLHS musical April 30, May 1 & 2 at 7:00pm. Tickets \$10 at the door
- † LWML District Convention – May 1-3, last day to register!
- † Concordia Wisconsin Choir Concert - Monday, May 4 at 7:00pm
- † Please take Congregational Survey

Serving in Worship Today

Preacher	Pastor Jim Von Busch
Worship Asst	Pastor Jonathan Dinger
Elder	Greg Ford
Acolyte	Alec Hayes
Reader	Nancy Ford
Media	Liz Bolinger
Hymn Leader	Teresa Dinger
Organist	Gerald Hughes

Answers to Sermon Outline:

1. father
2. ransomed
3. new life



Jesus said to His disciples: "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you!" Luke 22:15

As Lutheran Christians we confess that Christ's Body and Blood are truly and physically present in the bread and wine of **Holy Communion** for the forgiveness of sins. This meal is of benefit to those who acknowledge their sinful condition and have placed their trust in Christ alone for salvation. Where Christ's true body and blood are present, so also is the forgiveness of sins and eternal life. The ancient practice of the Church is that baptized and formally instructed Christians who share in this teaching are welcome to join in this meal that our Lord offers. *(As you come to the Lord's table, ushers will invite you to come forward. Please fill in the rail beginning at the center, and kneel if you are able. If you wish to receive, extend your hand for the bread. You may then receive the wine, either by individual or common cup. White grape juice is available in the center of each tray. Those not baptized or instructed in the biblical teaching of Holy Communion which recognizes the physical presence of Christ's body and blood within the bread and wine are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, if desired. Simply cross your arms to receive the blessing. Please do not wait to be dismissed from the rail. Those wishing to remain at the rail to pray are welcome to do so; others may return to their seats. If you would like to receive communion, and are unable to come forward to the rail, please let the usher know, so that the communion servers can serve you at your seat). "Come, for all has been made ready!"*

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Grace to Go

April 19, 2026

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Dr. Alexa Doebele

Concordia Wisconsin
Monday, May 4
Choral Concert
7:00 pm
AT GLC
Free Will Offering

Worship Attendance & Offering for the Week of April 12, 2026

8:00am Worship Here at GLC: 159

11:00am Worship Here at GLC: 395

5:00pm Worship Here at GLC: 75

Offering: \$18,985

Weekly Needed: \$18,750

Average April Weekly Offering from Last 2 Years:
\$19,600

SUN		MON		TUE		WED		THU		FRI		SAT	
29	Worship 8:30 & 11 10am Education Hour 5pm Service Living Last Supper Performance 7pm	30	Life in Christ MS & HS Youth 6:30-8pm	31	Children's Choir 3:15-4pm	1		2	Maundy Thursday Living Last Supper with Worship & Holy Communion 7pm	3	Good Friday Services 12:00pm & 8:00pm	4	
5	<i>Happy Easter</i> 6:30 Sunrise Service 8:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Blended Worship 11:00am Contemporary Worship 5:00pm Modern Worship	6	No Life in Christ MS & HS Youth 6:30-8pm Women's Book Club Meeting @ 7pm	7	Children's Choir 3:15-4pm	8		9		10		11	Spirit Fit 8:30am 10W 10:00am
12	Worship 8:30 & 11 10am Education Hour BP Checks Mite Sunday 5pm Service	13	Life in Christ MS & HS Youth 6:30-8pm	14	Out to Lunch Bunch at Butterburr's 12pm Children's Choir 3:15-4pm	15		16	Sanctuary Choir 7pm	17		18	Spirit Fit 8:30am 10W 10:00am LWML 9am Zone Event All Women Invited for Bible Study
19	Worship 8:30 & 11 10am Education Hour 5pm Service	20	Life in Christ MS & HS Youth 6:30-8pm	21	No Children's Choir	22		23	Sanctuary Choir 7pm	24		25	C.A.R.S. 9am-12pm Spirit Fit 8:30am 10W 10:00am
26	Worship 8:30 & 11 10am Education Hour 5pm Service	27	Life in Christ MS & HS Youth 6:30-8pm	28	No Children's Choir	29		30	GLHS Spring Musical: Singing in the Rain 7pm	1	LWML District Convention	2	LWML District Convention Spirit Fit 8:30am 10W 10:00am GLHS Spring Musical: Singing in the Rain 7pm

Sunday Morning Education Hour Class Locations Spring 2026

Join Adult Bible Class

10-10:45 every Sunday Morning

The Passion of Jesus Christ

The Chosen Season 5

Pastor Dinger and Vicar Theander will be using the 5th season of The Chosen to help guide us into discussion of the biblical text as Jesus now enters Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and proceeds to His arrest. We'll watch portions of the Chosen and then discuss and field questions. Begin this week with Jesus' Triumphal Entry. In the Chapel

We Believe, Teach & Confess...

with Aaron Hayes

What are the attributes of God and how do we know He exists? What do we say about the Trinity? How do the two natures in Christ relate? What does the Holy Spirit do? What is the Church? What about Angels? What is the Image of God? Join Deacon Aaron Hayes as we look at these topics and much more in the Scriptures, Lutheran Confessions, and the universal church teachings. In Mrs. J Parker's Room in the middle school wing.

Technology, Social Media, Family & Faith

A discussion on the world we are in and how all this tech interact with our faith. What we should know, and how we can respond well.
in the Middle School Wing, Mrs. Grant's Room,
Led by Michael Jindra and Tami Cummings

Kid's Ministry – for kids ages 4-11

Bible stories and activities

in the classroom off the gym



A yellow poster for the LWML Utah-Idaho 40th Biennial District Convention. It features a floral wreath with the text "Chosen to Serve" in a cursive font. Below the wreath is the text "John 15:16-17" and "2026". At the bottom, it says "LWML UTAH-IDAHO 40TH BIENNIAL DISTRICT CONVENTION". On the right side, it says "May 1-3, 2026 Grace Lutheran Church & School Pocatello, ID" and includes a small photograph of the church building.



Scan the QR code to register for the LWML District Convention

Grace Lutheran High School
Theatre Department Presents:

SINGIN' IN THE RAIN JR.



Screenplay by **Betty Comden and Adolph Green** Songs by **Nacio Herb Brown and Arthur Freed**

Directed by **Sarah Gomez**

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APRIL 30

MAY 1

MAY 2

7pm

**Grace Lutheran
Church**

Admission: \$10

Tickets can be purchased at the door. Doors open at 6:40 pm.
Free entry for GL students, alum, and staff.

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