

WEEKLY EVENTS

Mon:	8:20 AM 7:00 PM	Matins Vespers
Wed:	8:20 AM 5:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Chapel/Matins Catechesis Questioning Women's Bible Study Vespers Worship Choir
Fri:	8:20 AM 7:00 PM	Matins Vespers
Sat:	10:00 AM	Confirmation Pictures/Rehearsal
Sun:	8:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM	Divine Service Bible Study/ Sunday School Divine Service/Confirmation

SERVING TODAY

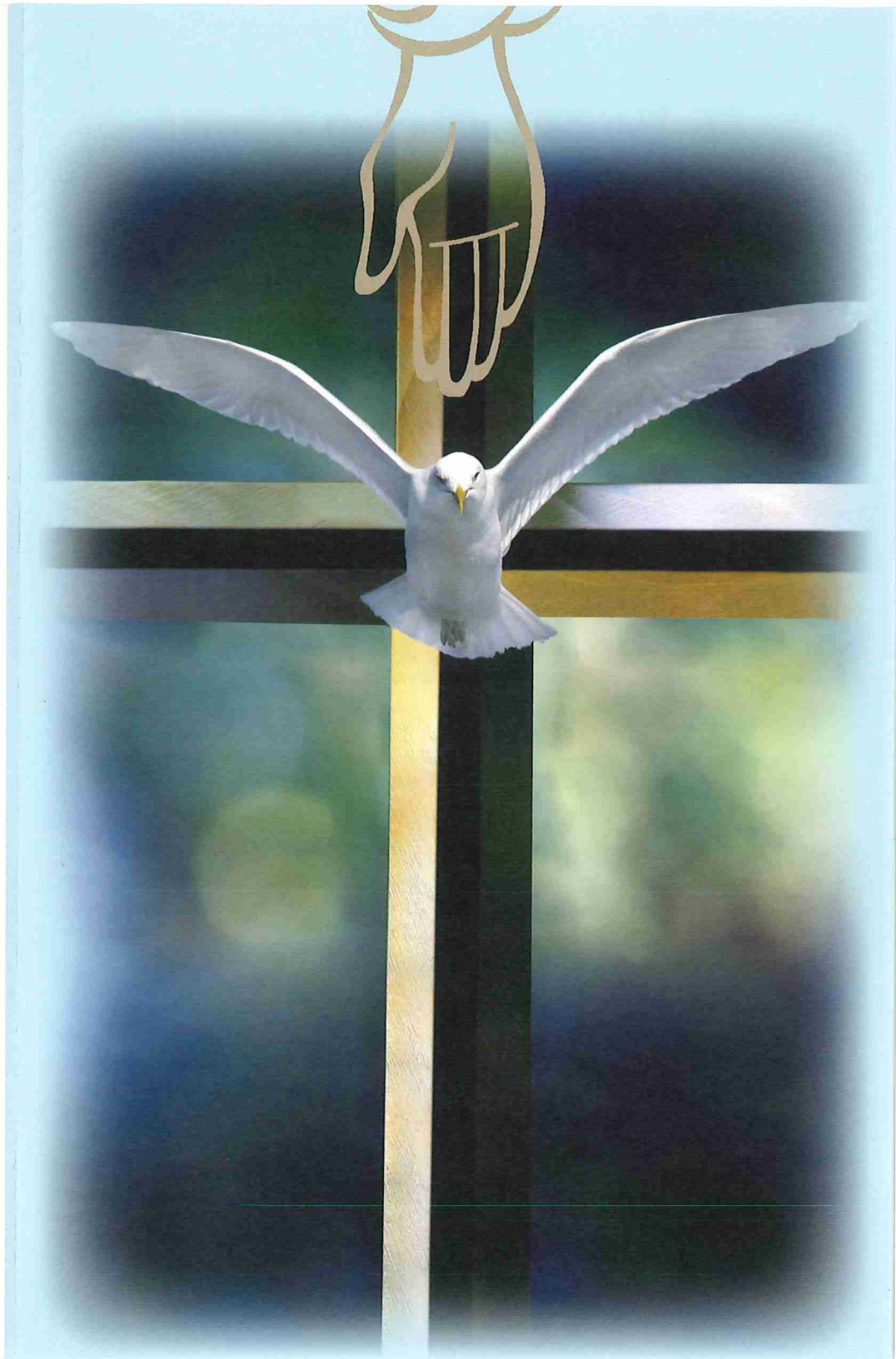
ELDERS:	<u>8:00 AM</u> Dean Koosman Jeff Diers	<u>10:30 AM</u> Tom Johnson Bill Wickesberg
USHERS:	<u>8:00 AM</u>	<u>10:30AM</u> Mark Diers Jeff Diers Al Montgomery Peter Zander Chris Zander Jeff Kilpela Mike Sparkman



Organist: Molly Loder
Choir: 8:00 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Handchimes

Easter V – Only the grace of God could supply as supreme a blessing as a mother's company and comfort. In the same way (John 16:7b), the Holy Spirit gives life and saves life even and especially when sorrow fills the heart (John 16:6). Indeed, the Word of forgiveness, joy, and hope He implants redeems both hopeless situations and helpless souls for everlasting celebration (James 1:21). *Ever-present Redeemer, embrace us with Your Spirit until we trust Your truth, follow Your way, and enjoy Your life. Amen.*

Attendance Sunday, April 21: 140 & 95 Communed: 104



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Worship Information: April 28, 2024, Fifth Sunday of Easter

Divine Service p. 167 Hymns: 502, 768 (809, 726, 816) 729

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY... we remember LaVonne Burkett, Terry Burkett, Lucus Dickens, Donnie Drusch, Marvel Engel, DuWayne Latzig, David Lee, Jeanette Lee, Pastor Loeslie, Bob Schendel, Meagan Speckhard and Unborn boy, Steve Weber, the protection of the blessing of all life from conception to grave that God has preciously created, farmers, caregivers, persecuted Christians, Missionaries: Rev. James May and Family, Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad; our nation's leaders; those serving in the Armed Forces: Christena Dickens, Justin Hassa, Kelsey Hasz, Alex Hennen, Andrew Horsch, Brandon Maas, Blake Peterson, and Jacob Young; for all who have come to worship today and for those members who are absent.

TODAY'S SERMON...can be found in the information cart in the choir room.

ST. JAMES HAPPENINGS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP...The Lord's service to you through His gifts of Word and Sacrament are the means through which He offers the forgiveness of sin and nourishes your soul. If you are visiting us today, welcome! Thank you for being here. Please let us know how we may serve you. If you'd like to chat with Pastor Loder, consider giving him a call at 320-526-5245 or send him a message at revloder@gmail.com.

HOLY COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS...

If you are a member of St. James, review p. 329 in preparing to receive Jesus' body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins. **If you are a guest**, welcome! Communion at St. James is reserved for members of Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations. Please speak with Pastor Loder about Communion before participating. If you know you will be visiting, it is best to call during the week before. **Didn't have a chance to talk with Pastor about Communion before church?** If you're a member of an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to Communion, but please let Pastor Loder know where you go to church when you come to the Communion rail.

EMILIA MARIE FLECK...infant daughter of Luke & Kelsey Fleck will be received into God's Kingdom of Grace through the sacrament of Holy Baptism today at our 8:00 service. Emilia's sponsors are Kyle and Rachel Schmidt.

ALL LADIES OF ST. JAMES...are invited to Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Thursday, May 9th at 6:00 PM for the LWML Prayer Service. Dessert and beverages to follow. RSVP by May 7th to Sue @ (612) 791-0992.

CONGREGATION AT PRAYER...is a new resource for you to use throughout the week as a guide for daily reading of God's Word and prayer. Consider using this tool even if you have a means of doing daily devotions, as this can be a great tool for unity among our members and foster good conversations around the readings. You can pick up a copy near the bulletins.

TEACHER/STAFF APPRECIATION...reception - Wednesday, May 8th at 6:30 pm. Come and have some fellowship and treats as we show appreciation for our schoolteachers and the Anniversaries of our teachers and staff will be recognized. Desserts and drinks will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

MEMBERS AND GUESTS...are welcome to the LWML meeting on Monday, May 6 at 7:00 PM in the school. All women are welcome to come join us as we study God's Word in a Quarterly Bible Study.

SUMMER SOFTBALL LEAGUE... All skill levels are welcome to join the St. James Church Softball team. The schedule will come out Mid-May with games being held Sunday nights from June to August at the DC Highschool baseball fields. You can join even if you are not able to make it to every game. Please contact Jeff Diers to get involved or for more information 320-510-1407.

EVERYONE IS INVITED... today at 2:00 p.m. as our choirs and bands will fill the church with music in praise of our gracious and loving God. Then head over to the school to view all the artwork in the various classrooms. Be sure to take the insert from the concert program and have each teacher initial the corresponding circle for their class. When you have all the circles filled, put the form in the box in the cafeteria to be entered into a drawing for \$30.00 of Spirit Wear of your choice. Snacks will be served in the cafeteria, as well.

SAVE THE DATE...VBS will be August 5th – August 9th from 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM.

COUNTING COMMITTEE...is looking for individuals to count offering every 3rd week and 1 person for the 1st week. Please contact John Zander or Chris Koosman or the church office.