

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2010

Good Shepherd Sunday

Welcome Visitors- We are happy to share the Word of our Lord with you. If you have questions about what we believe or how to join our confession of the Savior, you may speak to any member or the pastor.

Music and Meditation- We have reserved 15 minutes before the service for music and meditation. This is to help you prepare to worship.

Our Offering- Our guests are under no obligation to bring an offering. We are happy you are here and we hope that you will come again.

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Hymns: 154, 375, 259, 432

The First Lesson: Acts 13:15,16,26-33
St. Paul preaches the coming and resurrection of Jesus.

Psalm 23 on page 72 of the hymnal

The Second Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17
A view of the saints in heaven.

The Gospel Lesson: John 10:22-30
Jesus' sheep hear His voice.

Sermon text: Psalm 23
Theme: How Blessed You Are to Be a Sheep of the Good Shepherd!

Announcements

After the service: coffee time.
Sunday school and Bible class begin at 10:45.
Youth class at 12:15.

Wednesday: Pastor and Mrs. Ahlswede will leave for a trip to Germany, Switzerland and Austria. They will return May 17. If you need the services of a pastor, please call Pastor Phillip Sievert of Lord of Life Lutheran, Thornton. His number is 720-872-2190. You can also call the congregation's elders: Martin Boniek 303-570-9242 or David Ruff 303-204-9911.

Next Sunday: Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.
Sunday school and Bible class at 10:45. Youth class at 12:15.
Next Sunday Rebecca Boniek will be confirmed. Pastor Sievert instructed Rebecca while she was a student of Lord of Life Lutheran School. He will conduct the service next Sunday.

We Extend Our Call

Today we are preparing a packet that will be given our called pastor to help him become acquainted with our congregation and the work that we are asking him to do. Everyone has been invited to include maps, photos notes and other materials. This package will be sent to District President Joel Frank and given to our pastor-elect on Call day. Call day is May 20 and seminary graduation is May 21.

Peace Lutheran is extending this call together with Rock Mountain Lutheran High School. It is a one year call extended with the hope that after a year's time, sufficient progress will have been made that it can become permanent.

Should a man from this year's graduation class of the seminary be found that can fulfill the needs expressed in this call, we might expect him to arrive in early July. Arrangements for moving and installation will be made in consultation with him.

We send off this call with the prayer that our dear Lord will grant Peace congregation a faithful pastor and that He will bless his ministry here in Boulder.

Confirmation

Confirmation is a church rite, not a divinely instituted sacrament. It has neither the command of Christ nor any specific promise of grace. Hence the church can define the concept of confirmation and determine the purpose it is to serve.

The Lutheran church has had no single, consistent view of confirmation. When Luther rejected the Roman sacrament of confirmation, he did not provide for a replacement. His concern was for the instruction of the youth, as is seen from his preparation of the Small Catechism.

A church's confirmation practices will be determined by its definition of confirmation and by the purpose it wants the rite to serve. The following definition sums up the view of confirmation in the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and serves as a basis for its confirmation practices: Confirmation is a church rite in which a congregation gives its catechumens who have been instructed Christian doctrine according to the Bible and the Lutheran Confessions an opportunity to confess their faith before the church, prays for the children with the laying on of hands and invites them as such who have sufficient spiritual maturity to participate in the Lord's Supper.

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Memory Verse- *I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep* (John 10:11).



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