

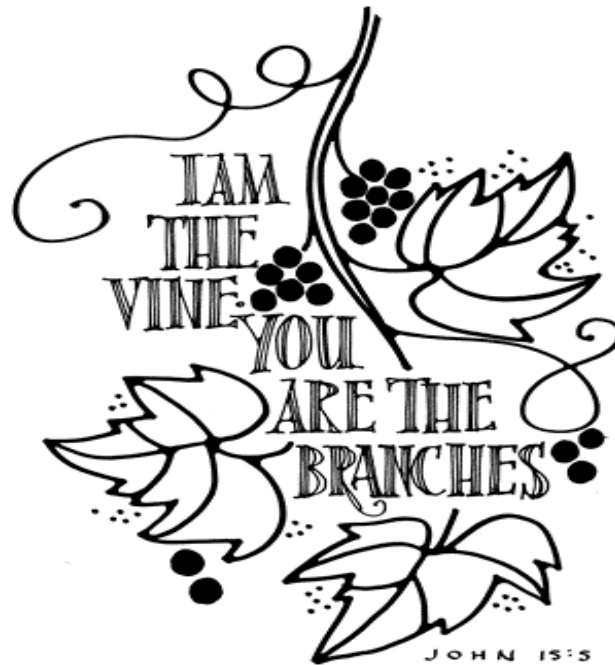
Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

April 29, 2018
+ Matins +

Leap of
Faith



*For every house is built by someone,
but God is the builder of everything.*
Hebrew 3:4



Lamb of God Lutheran Church

Who witness, have fellowship & show compassion

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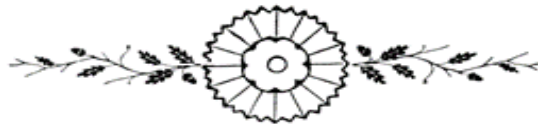
WORSHIP

10:00 am

Matins

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018



Fellowship Register

Please sign the register that you will find in the book holder and pass it on to the others sitting in your pew. Guests are invited to sign the register and please include your address. Thank you.

Pre-Service Music

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Opening Hymn + LSB 474

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter Tell - ing the
 3 Je - sus the vine, We are the branch - es; Life in the
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; Sor - row, be si - lent: Death put a -
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er, Gold - en Je -



sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, Heav - en for -
 sto - ry to o - pen our eyes; Break - ing our bread, Giv - ing us
 Spir - it the fruit of the tree; Heav - en to earth, Christ to the
 sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright. Cher - u - bim sing: "O grave, be
 ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb, Riv - er of life, Saints and arch -



ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
 glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
 peo - ple, Gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
 o - pen!" Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
 an - gels, Sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Refrain
 Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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

C Amen.

- P** O Lord, open my lips.
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.

Psalmody

- P** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
C O come, let us worship Him.

Venite + LSB 805

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all
 crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
 host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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Antiphon + LSB 221

- P** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
C O come, let us worship Him.

Readings

First Reading + Acts 8:26–40

²⁶Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.” ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” ³¹And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this: “Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. ³³In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.” ³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?” ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson + 1 John 4:1-11

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. ⁴Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error. ⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able.

Holy Gospel + John 15:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St John, the 15th chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹[Jesus said:] “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser.
²Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.”

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.

Hymn + LSB 595
O Blessed Spring



1	O	bles-	ed	spring,	where	Word	and	sign	Em - brace	us	
2	Through	sum-	mer	heat	of	youth-	ful	years,	Un - cer -	tain	
3	When	au-	tumn	cools	and	youth	is	cold,	When	limbs	their
4	As	win -	ter	comes,	as	win -	ters	must,	We	breathe	our
5	Christ,	ho -	ly	Vine,	Christ,	liv -	ing	Tree,	Be	praised	for



in - to Christ the Vine: Here Christ en - joins each one to
 faith, re - bel - lious tears, Sus - tained by Christ's in - fus - ing
 heav - y har - vest hold, Then through us, warm, the Christ will
 last, re - turn to dust; Still held in Christ, our souls take
 this blest mys - ter - y: That Word and wa - ter thus re -



be A branch of this life - giv - ing Tree.
 rain, The boughs will shout for joy a - gain.
 move With gifts of beau - ty, wis - dom, love.
 wing And trust the prom - ise of the spring.
 vive And join us to Your Tree of Life.

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Sermon

Canticle + Te Deum

We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev-er-last-ing.
 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
 To You cherubim and seraphim con-tin-ual-ly do cry:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab-a-oth;
 Heaven and earth are full of the majes-ty of Your glo-ry.
 The glorious company of the apostles praise - You.
 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets praise - You.
 The noble army of Martyrs praise - You.
 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac-knowl-edge You:
 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and
 on-ly Son;
 Also the Holy Ghost, the Com-fort-er.

You are the king of glory, O- Christ;
 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa-ther.

When You took upon Yourself to de-liv-er man,

You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir-gin.
When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be-liev-ers.
You sit at the right hand of God In the glory of the Fa-ther.
We believe that You will come to be- our- judge.
We therefore pray You to help Your ser-vants,
Whom You have redeem-ed with Your pre-cious blood.
Make them to be number-ed with Your saints
In glory ev-er-last-ing.
O Lord save Your people and bless Your he-rit-age.
Govern them and lift them up for-ev-er.
Day by day we magn-ify You.
And we worship Your name for-ever and ev-er.
Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with-out- sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up-on- us.
O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.
O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con-found-ed.

Please be seated.

Offering

The Prayers of the Church

- P** let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our
Lord.
C **Amen.**

Kyrie
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

Collects



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

(after each individual collect)

P ...O Lord, hear my prayer

C **and let my cry come to You.**

P Lord, You have called us according to Your purpose and cause all things to work together for our good. Keep us safe until that day when You gather us with all the saints in to Your Kingdom, which knows no end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever,

C **Amen.**

Collect of the Day

P O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus

Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for Grace

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

Hymn + LSB 700

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us
4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -
spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

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P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

(The Peace of the Lord is given and received)

GENERATION COURAGE

We are in need of 10-15 extras Sunday, May 6 at the Flint Surgery Center 5202 Miller Road, Flint, MI 48507: The call time is 2pm. Please RSVP Melissa at generationcourage@gmail.com so that we can get an estimated headcount.





Residents of Northville, Michigan, may think they are living in Smallville when Superman actor Dean Cain flies into town to shoot segments for Generation Courage’s upcoming motion picture, “Faith Under Fire.” Cain, who donned the iconic superhero costume for “Lois and Clark: The New Adventures of Superman” (1993-97), was born in Mount Clemens, 50 miles east.

While he moved away at age 3 to California with his family, Dean Cain is no stranger to the Great Lakes state, or “Faith Under Fire” producer, Joel Reisig. Cain and Hope College graduate Reisig, have worked together on nine feature films prior to Faith.

Faith Under Fire, a production of Generation Courage, an independent Christian film company founded by Plymouth native, Melissa Kerley, follows Fireman Tom Hatcher, who after already losing his wife to cancer, now faces the possible same fate with his six-year-old daughter, Tiffany. After assaulting Pastor Dan (Cain) out of frustration with a seemingly absent God, the pastor pursues a friendship with Hatcher – challenging him to face his grief and embrace faith in the darkest hours of his life. *Faith Under Fire* also stars actress/talk show host, Stacey Dash (“Clueless,” “Mo’ Money”), and is being shot in Northville this April and May.



Because all profits will be donated to the Melanoma Research Foundation, Generation Courage is seeking financial donations and promotional help. Gas cards, gift certificates to national chain restaurants, and financial donations can be mailed to:

Generation Courage
655 Randolph st #104
Northville, MI , 48167

All donations receive a listing in the closing credits.

If you know a church willing to help, please email:
generationcourage@gmail.com

For more information visit:
<http://www.generationcourage.net>

All volunteers are welcome.





**LWML MICHIGAN
DISTRICT
2018 CONVENTION**

July 19 - 22, 2018
Blue Water Convention Center
Port Huron, MI

Opening Worship

Proclaimer

Rev. David P. Meier

President LCMS Michigan District

Bible Study Leader

Kay Wolff

Humorist

Elaine Bickel

Keynote Speaker

Rev. Les Stahlke

Founder of L.A.M.P. Ministries

Scripture Text: "Shout with JOY to God all the earth! Sing the glory of His name, make His praise glorious." Psalm 66:1-2 (NIV)

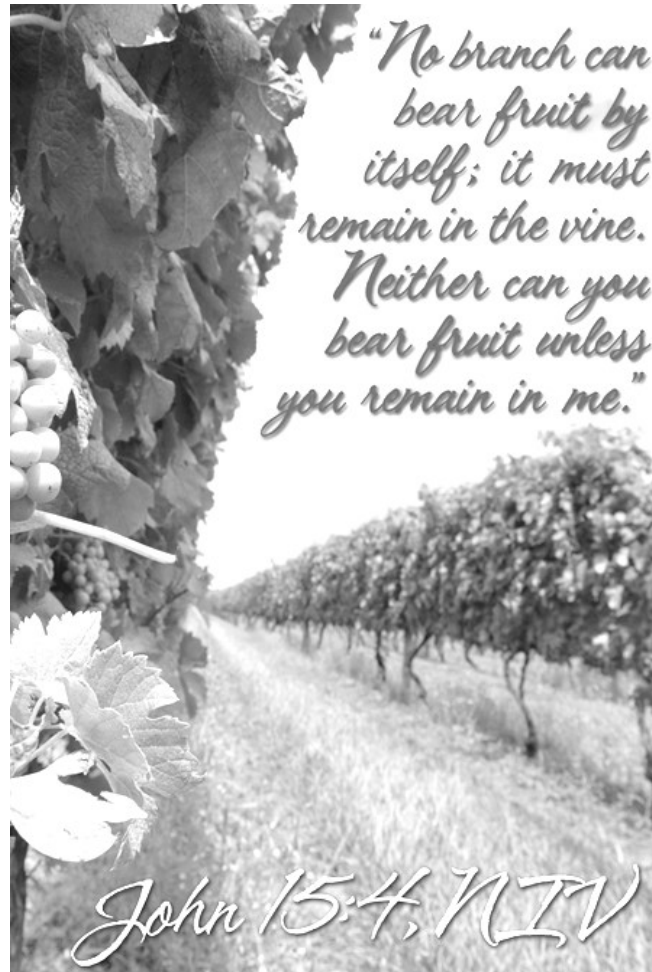
Convention Objective: Attendees at the 2018 District Convention are sent to live a joy-filled life in Christ.

Convention Goals:

Each convention attendee will be:

1. Enlivened by worship and Bible study
2. Encouraged to celebrate God's gifts
3. Equipped to share the reason for the joy in our hearts.

Hosted by Blue Water, Crossroads and Evergreen Zones



*"No branch can
bear fruit by
itself; it must
remain in the vine.
Neither can you
bear fruit unless
you remain in me."*

John 15:4, NIV