



## The Protestant Community Church

*"Cathedral of the Woods"*

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An inclusive, ecumenical faith community purposefully seeking to be caring, faithful disciples of Jesus Christ through worship, study, prayer, and Christian service.

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10:00 - MAY 11, 2025 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER †

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### Call to Worship

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

Congregation: And also with you!

### Welcome and Concerns of the Church

*Members, friends, and visitors are invited to sign the pew pad found at the end of the pew. We also invite you to share any joys or concerns, noting them on the prayer cards which will be collected during the offering.*

**Prelude**                    "Happy the Home When God is There"                    Johnson

**Introit**                    "Come, We That Love the Lord"                    A. Williams

### Collect

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**\*Hymn**                    "Now Thank We All Our God"                    #371

### \*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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**\*Gloria Patri #705**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be...world without end. Amen.*

**Reading**

Revelation 7:9–17

**Responsive Reading [Based on Psalm 23]**

**(Liturgist/Congregation)**

The Lord is my shepherd;

**I shall not be in want.**

He makes me lie down in green pastures

**and leads me beside still waters.**

He revives my soul

**and guides me along right pathways for his  
Name's sake.**

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I

shall fear no evil;

**for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those

who trouble me;

**you have anointed my head with oil,**

**and my cup is running over.**

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the

days of my life,

**and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

**Anthem** "I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry" J. Ylvisaker

***Students are excused for Sunday school.***

*Parents are to pick up their children following the worship service, upstairs in the Todd Building, and are welcome to join the children in the closing time of meditation.*

**\*Gospel Lesson** John 10:22–30

**\*Hymn** "For the Beauty of the Earth" #341

**Sermon** Dr. Morgan

**Offertory** "How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place" Brahms

**\*Presentation of Gifts and Doxology** #706

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Pastoral Prayers**

**\*Hymn** "It Is Well With My Soul" #573

**\*Benediction**

**\*Response** "Benedictus" C. Curry

**Postlude** "Now Thank We All Our God" Karg-Elert

\*The congregation may stand

**NURSERY SCHEDULE: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Nursery will be provided on the following dates: May 18th, when Sunday school is dismissed. June 1st, full service. June 15th, when Sunday school is dismissed. June 22nd full service. For the months of July and August, nursery will be provided as available. Please email Adrienne if nursery services are needed or if you can help provide services. Thank you!

*Nursery program is still looking for volunteers! Please email Adrienne Foran if you are able to volunteer: [azap188@hotmail.com](mailto:azap188@hotmail.com). 13 years of age to be a helper and 21 years to be lead.*

## PRAYERS OF CONCERN

*Those placed on the prayer list will remain on the list for one month unless specified otherwise. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please secure permission prior to calling the church office or emailing in to [kayla@protestantcommunitychurch.org](mailto:kayla@protestantcommunitychurch.org)*

Adam	George G	Rich
Anderson family	Evelyn Herzog	Rese Ritter
Lee Bealuk	John Hoffman	Scott
Tom Bockmann and family	Nora Hofman	Smith & Miller family
Lorrie Breslin	Warren Idsal	Susan
Casey	Mary Kocis	Ed Tucker
Chris	Mier family	Lorie Truitt
Kimmie Copeland	Floss Mikle	Val
Doris Davis	Muhlberger / Bennett family	Jimmie and Sara Wardell
Don Dudek	Sarah Niemcewicz-Caslow	Elissa Williams
Catherine Flade	Mary Parrish	

Please remember in your prayers those serving in our military services and their families. Please pray for the families separated, recovering from disasters, or faced with life altering decisions, and pray for peace, hope, and healing in the world.

Please see last week's announcements flyer for information on upcoming church activities.

### **✿ ALTAR FLOWERS ✿**

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of their mother, Ann Fenimore, given by her daughters, Beth Dell and Susan Palumbo, and her sons-in-law Dave Baker, and Tom Palumbo.

### **† VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS SUNDAY †**

**Ushers:** Lynda Miller & Lee Bealuk      **Reader:** Becky Beachley  
**Fellowship Hour Hosts:** *Hosts needed*

### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE - 5/4/25**

8:00 Worship Service - 22  
9:00 Worship Service - 86  
Sunday school - Family Worship  
Online - 15

### **ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTION**

Please use the following link or QR code if you would like to send an offering electronically:  
<https://www.zeffy.com/donation-form/protestant-community-church>

