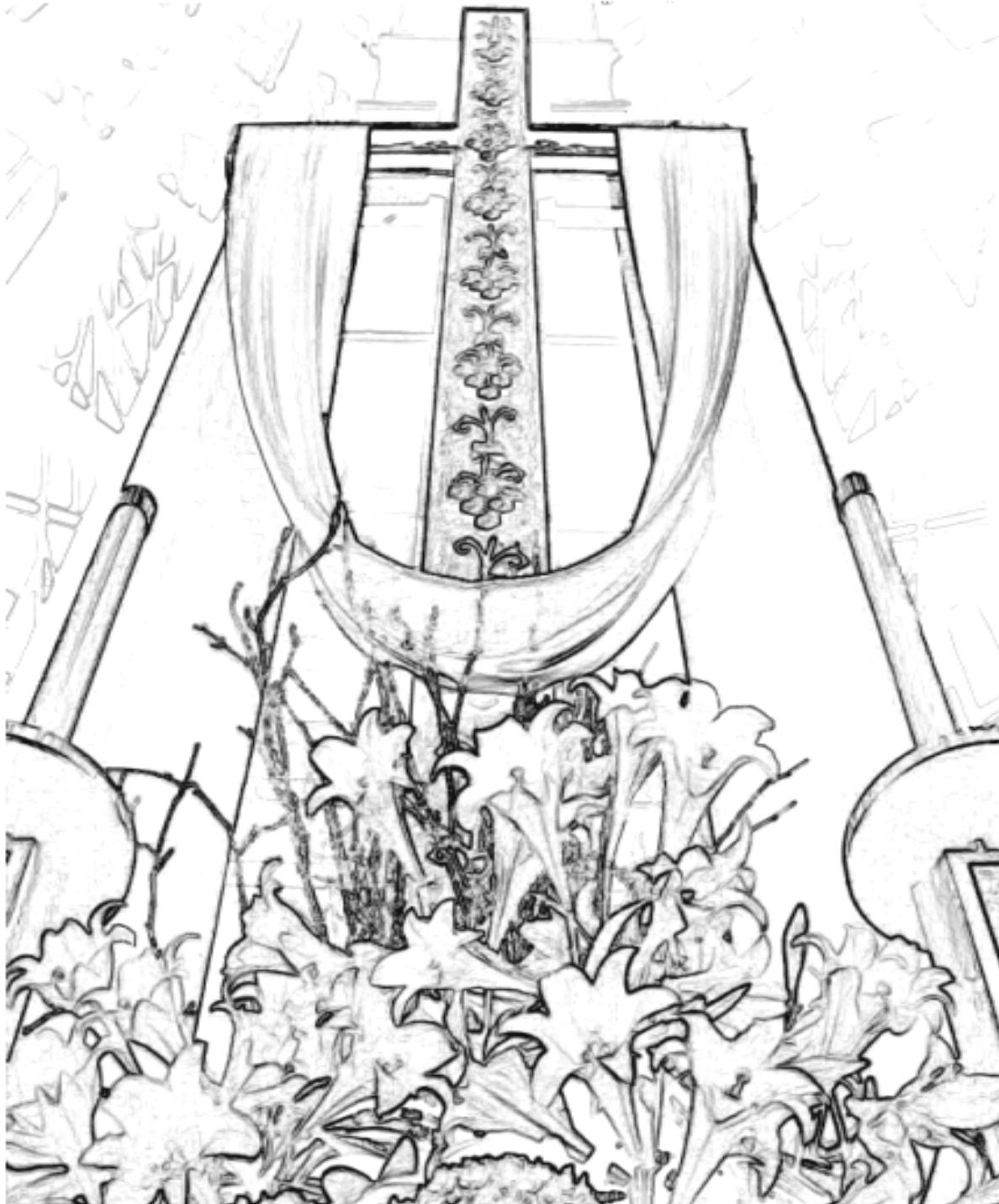


The Fourth Sunday of Easter



SAINT LUKE CHURCH

A warm welcome to all who gather in the name of Christ this morning. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider Saint Luke Church.

Please enter the church using the Courtyard entrance.

Out of an abundance of caution everyone is required to wear a mask in the church and during the service.

Everyone must sign in and have their temperature taken, which will not be recorded. Please go right to your seat after you have signed in.

There will be no singing by the congregation and responses and prayers should be spoken quietly.

Sharing of the Peace will be done in place and without contact. A nod toward the neighbor, a bow of the head, a wave or other signs of mutual spiritual respect can be used.

Following the service an usher will dismiss you from your seat. Please exit immediately. Pastor will greet people in the courtyard, weather permitting.

Free parking is available in the parking garage behind the church. Enter from Melrose St. (one block north of Belmont).

If there is anything else we can do to assist your worship experience, please let the ushers know.



SAINT LUKE CHURCH

Sunday, April 25, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Easter

PRAYER CONNECTION AND REFLECTION

Time to reflect and pray individually as you prepare for worship

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE ILL

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully hear our prayers and grant to your servants

<i>Eve Scheffler</i>	<i>Maryann Palermo</i>	<i>Peter Burkhart</i>	<i>Steve Mead</i>	<i>Abigail Zhang</i>
<i>Patricia Grunde</i>	<i>Janet Hagberg</i>	<i>Christian Long</i>	<i>David Horne</i>	<i>John Holland</i>
<i>Shauna Stiglich</i>	<i>Jan Nyberg</i>	<i>Amyyah Robinson</i>	<i>Rosie Diaz</i>	<i>Shirley Howell</i>
<i>MaryJo McCawley</i>	<i>Jeanette Geweke</i>	<i>Lois Harvai</i>	<i>Dan Horton</i>	<i>Rachel Bouman</i>
<i>Laurie Strohmayr</i>	<i>Mona Mobarri</i>	<i>Martha Kastigar</i>	<i>Grace Tampa</i>	<i>Rosemarie Morgen</i>
<i>Albester Hall Jones</i>	<i>William A. Jones</i>	<i>Matthew Hage</i>	<i>Omar Silva</i>	<i>Jack Pasquale</i>
<i>Linda Planekowsky</i>	<i>Mark Van Scharrel</i>	<i>Steven Lubicz</i>	<i>Hayden Berthelot</i>	<i>Kenneth Markworth</i>

the help of your power, that illness may be turned into health and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ. Amen

RENEWAL OF MIND AND BODY

O God, we thank you for times of refreshment and peace in the course of this busy life. Grant that we may so use our leisure for the renewal of our bodies and minds that our spirits may be opened to the goodness of your creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Almighty God, we commit to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad:

Nicholas Bakulinski *Jeremy Strohmayr* *Dan McCarthy* *Preston Larson* *Lucas Kratz*

Defend them with your heavenly grace and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

O God, where hearts are fearful and constricted, grant courage and hope. Where anxiety is infectious and widening, grant peace and reassurance. Where impossibilities close every door and window, grant imagination. Where distrust twists our thinking, grant healing and illumination. Where spirits are daunted and weakened, grant soaring wings and strengthened dreams. All these things we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 25, 2021 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING

Sit Prelude: "Rest in the Lord" Lester Groom

Welcome

Stand Processional Hymn The King of Love My Shepherd Is

The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth
and, where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
with thee, dear Lord, beside me,
thy rod and staff my comfort still;
thy cross before to guide me.

And so, through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

Greeting

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Alleluia!

Let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

The congregation responds: Amen

sung by Cantor

WORD _____

Sit First Reading

The reading concludes:

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Acts 4:5-12

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

You restore my soul, O Lord,

and guide me along right pathways for your 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 prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Second Reading

1 John 3:16-24

The reading concludes:

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Stand HOLY GOSPEL

Alleluia Verse

sung by Cantor

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

✠ SAINT JOHN 10:11-18 ✠

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Have No Fear, Little Flock

Have no fear, little flock; have no fear little flock, for the Father has chosen to give you the kingdom; have no fear, little flock!

Have good cheer, little flock; have good cheer, little flock, for the Father will keep you in his love forever; have good cheer, little flock!

Praise the Lord high above; praise the Lord high above, for he stoops down to heal you, uplift and restore you; praise the Lord high above!

Thankful hearts raise to God; thankful hearts raise to God for he stays close beside you, in all things works with you; thankful hearts raise to God!

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

Prayers of Intercession

After each petition: Let us pray to the Lord: **Have mercy, O God.**

Stand Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sharing of the Peace will be done in place and without contact. A nod toward the neighbor, a bow of the head, a wave or other signs of mutual spiritual respect can be used.

MEAL

Presentation of the Gifts: "Shepherd me, O God"

Marty Haugen

Refrain: *Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.*

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I
rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I
walk by the quiet waters of peace. **Refrain**

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you
lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, my
spirit shall sing the music of your name. **Refrain**

Though I should wander the valley of death, I
fear no evil, for you are at my side, your
rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. **Refrain**

You have set me a banquet of love in the face of
hatred, crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. **Refrain**

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God forever more. **Refrain**

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness
you have blessed us with these gifts; our selves, our time, and our
possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world
with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you...

...with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: sung by Cantor
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled...

The presiding minister continues to thank and praise God, remembering especially the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and his promise and command to celebrate this meal.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember...
...the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit...

...with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers... ...until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the sung by Cantor
Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever. Amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,

let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

Sit

Lamb of God

sung by Cantor

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.

Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table. At the invitation of an usher, please proceed to communion by the center aisle and return via the side aisles.

Prayer for those who will not receive

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you. Amen.

Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious king,
who has washed us in the tide
flowing from his wounded side. Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose love divine
gives his sacred blood for wine,
gives his body for the feast
Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!

Mighty victim from the sky,
hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie;
you have conquered in the fight,
you have brought us life and light. Alleluia!

Easter triumph, Easter joy,
this alone can sin destroy!
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!

Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, your name we praise. Alleluia!

SENDING

Stand Table Blessing

Hymn

Christ Is Arisen

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain, But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.

Prayer after Communion

Benediction

Recessional Hymn

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have brought us; we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have brought us; we are yours.

We are yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
Keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.

Prayer for Peace

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude "Let us exalt His Name together"

Lester Groom

NEWS and INFORMATION

April 25, 2021



Introduction to the Day

The image of the Good Shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sister or brother in need.

Easter Celebration

The joy of Easter continues. Our environment, still filled with flowers, fabric and fragrance, urges us to "keep the feast," to sustain our joy and wonder at God's great gift to us in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

As a physical reminder of our continuing celebration of our Lord's Resurrection, we will **stand** for all the portions of the Service at which we would normally kneel during the Fifty Days of the Easter Season as a reminder that, because we have knelt in the shadow of the Cross and have been forgiven our sins by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we can now stand before the throne of grace as God's dear children. After the Day of Pentecost we shall return to our normal practice of kneeling during the Service.

St. Luke Evening Tea!

St. Luke Evening Tea will meet tonight at 6:00 p.m. You're invited! The link for "**St. Luke Evening Tea**" can be found on the website at stlukechicago.org. Click on "Evening Tea" or enter the following URL into your browser: <https://bit.ly/3pbTyFF>. See you this evening!

Bible Class

Bible Class **will** meet this Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. Get your lunch and join Pastor Bouman to discuss the lessons and Gospel for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

The lessons are: *Acts 8:26-40, 1 John 4:7-21, Saint John 15:1-8*

The link for "**Bible Class**" can be found on the website at stlukechicago.org. Click on "Bible Class" or enter the following URL into your browser: <https://bit.ly/39AbHrQ>

Meeting ID: 992 4691 2627 Passcode: saintluke

Service to Church

Ever want to learn to "Ring Them Bells"? Greet new visitors, as well as veteran parishioners? Scan foreheads for temperatures? Smile and nod to friends; known and unknown? Collect (eventually) offerings? Distribute all sorts of items, from Service Orders to Palm Fronds to Kid's Activity Bags? Contribute to a positive church-going experience for all?

Here's your chance to fulfill those dreams!

Be an USHER!!!

Now that we're returning to an almost normal in-person Service schedule, we are re-starting the efforts to increase the Usher roster and invite you to consider joining, as there are 'openings available' at all Service times.

Please contact Bob Kleisch - 312.415.0656 rkleisch@aol.com.

Early Admission

Now is the time to introduce friends and neighbors who may be looking for a school with the quality educational program offered **by Saint Luke Academy**. Invite them to see our school and the great work we do!

Saint Luke Academy accepts children of congregation members before those from the general public, but registration is limited. Therefore, if you are interested, please contact the school office (773-472-3837) for further information.

Saint Luke Academy admits students of any race, color, national, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, athletic and other school-administered programs.

Caring and Sharing Needs at Home

During the month of May we are collecting **pasta** – spaghetti, macaroni, farfalle, linguine. These items will be distributed to families through the LakeView Pantry. Please leave your donation in the monthly collection barrel in the church lobby.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thank you so much to *Val Busbey, Kathryn Kleisch and Elisabeth Stampfl* for directing Thrivent Choice Dollars to Saint Luke. If you are a member of Thrivent you may direct where Thrivent distributes a portion of its charitable funding. You can select Saint Luke Church or Saint Luke Academy at **Thrivent.com/thriventchoice**. Then click on Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars and follow the directions.

Saint Luke Academy Alumna in the News

Suzy Ploger, an alumna of Saint Luke Academy, a Saint Luke Church Confirmant and Acolyte was recently featured on CBS Morning Insiders. Suzy is the Director of Development for Journeys The Road Home, based in Palatine, "Providing shelter, services & housing to those who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless in suburban Cook County." Their website is: www.journeystheroadhome.org

One of their prime programs is the PADS Shelter Program, providing "hospitality, food and overnight emergency shelter to the homeless", staffed by volunteers from area congregations. When the Pandemic began, Suzy spearheaded the shift from shelters to hotels for homeless lodging, which might have been the first in this area to do that. They plan to build a facility that will have 40 beds for people to stay. They are currently raising money for this project.

Congratulations to Suzy for her work with this organization.



THIS WEEK

at Saint Luke Church

SUNDAY, April 25, 2021

Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.

Confirmation Class 9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion 10:30 a.m.

Evening Tea 6:00 p.m.

Link: <https://bit.ly/3pbTyFF>

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Room 102
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via Zoom

MONDAY- FRIDAY, April 26-30, 2021

Extended Care 7:00-8:00 a.m. and 3:30-6:00 p.m.

School in Session 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

4th floor

WEDNESDAY, April 28, 2021

Administrative Staff Meeting 9:30 a.m.

via Zoom

THURSDAY, April 29, 2021

Bible Class 12:00 p.m.

Link: <https://bit.ly/39AbHrQ>

via Zoom

SUNDAY, May 2, 2021

Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.

Confirmation Class 9:30 a.m.

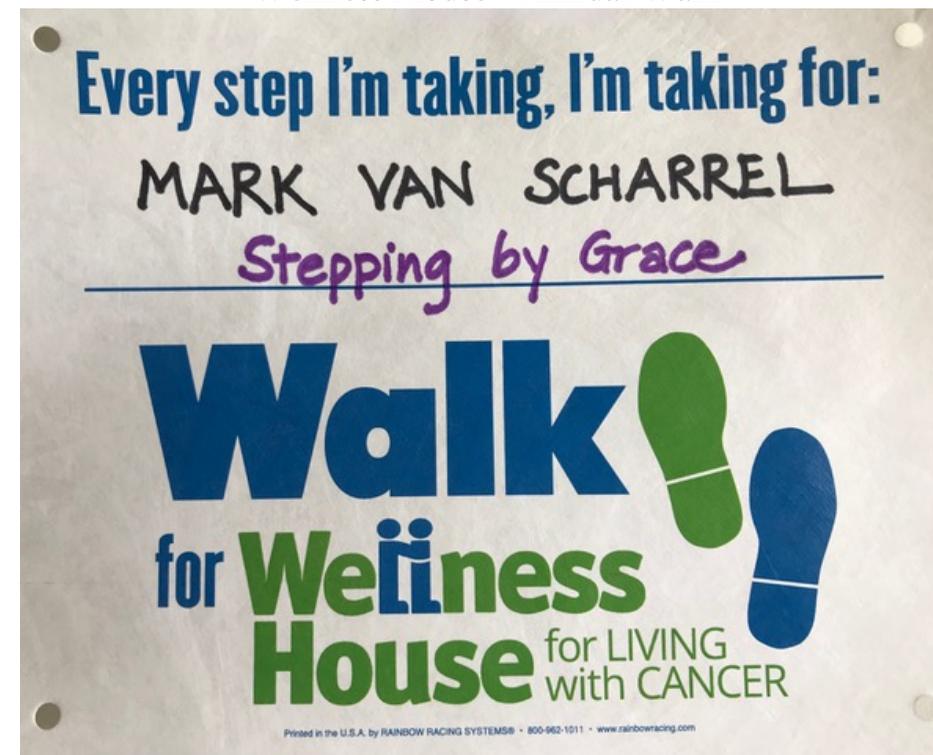
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Wellness House – Annual Walk



It is a little less than TWO weeks to Sunday, May 2—the annual **Walk for Wellness House**, their main fundraising event.

If you contributed last year, you may already have heard from them, prompting you to participate again. Mark's team is "**Stepping by Grace.**" Here is the **link to the updated "Why We Walk"** story, with a menu that enables you to donate. If you'd like to give and are able to, we appreciate it. If not, feel free to walk with us wherever you are, and read: http://events.wellnesshouse.org/site/TR/Events/TeamRaiserWorkshop?pg=team&fr_id=1110&team_id=2400



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

8:30 AM

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10:30 AM

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

6:00 PM

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