

Vasa Lutheran Church
The Church in Corinth

Pastor Maureen Hagen

Accompanist: Anne Anderson

Sunday, April 28, 2024

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy.

C: Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea
into freedom's land.
In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

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At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,
freeing us to live as Easter people.
We rejoice with glad hearts,
giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

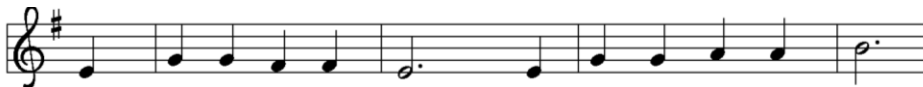
ELW 634

GREETING

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

C: and also with you.

KYRIE



- 1 Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol- emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a- way our sin.
- 3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de- part.



We come to hear your liv- ing word; it saves us from de- spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be- gin.
Re- new us with your sav- ing pow'r; cre- ate in us new hearts!

HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for- ev- er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a- lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre- a- tion, Fa- ther of sur- pass- ing worth:
Son of God and gra- cious Sav- ior, you have come from heav'n a- bove;
Ho- ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex- alt you, we a- dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je- sus Christ, with God the Spir- it, in the Fa- ther's splen- dor bright.



Saints and an- gels bow be- fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re- store, for- give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in- her- it, glo- ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Holy Lord, **within your church, your followers have often allowed their disagreements to get in the way of being faithful to your word. Remove any barriers our communities face that prevent us from sharing your word and building up your church. Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 18:1-4

After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. 2 There he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, who had recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had ordered all Jews to leave Rome. Paul went to see them, 3 and, because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them, and they worked together-- by trade they were tentmakers. 4 Every sabbath he would argue in the synagogue and would try to convince Jews and Greeks.

1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. 11 For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. 12 What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." 13 Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

HYMN

JESUS, KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS

ELW 335

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

ELW 803

CONFESSION OF FAITH using the words of the Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,**

and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION: Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in your mercy. Please respond with: **hear our prayer.**

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.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us share God's peace with one another.

GENEROSITY MOMENT

SENDING HYMN:

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

ELW 660

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
✠ bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL

L: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



Paul Mikaelson, Jay Mikaelson,
Scott Sorenson, Max Tilderquist,
Anne Rathman, Wendy Anderson,
Dale Anderson and Lorrie
Samuelson.

Parish Pulse:

APR 17th & 21st , 2024

Participating in Worship: 57

14 live-streams

Total Offerings:

\$590.00

Worship Assistants Today:

Usher: Duane Hanson
Reader: Jessica Anderson
Hospitality: Marilyn Hanson

**Worship Assistants Next Week
(May 5th)**

Usher: Chuck Peterson
Reader: Sid Featherstone
Hospitality: Audrey Rosener
Comm. Asst.: Katie Featherstone

MUSIC FOR APRIL 28th, 2024

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726-1792, sts. 1-4;

J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, sts. 5-6

Music: Oliver Holden, 1765-1844

JESUS KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: William H. Doane, 1832–1915

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Music: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

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In preparation for next winter, Vasa will gladly accept donations to the fuel fund. Just note your intent on the memo line of the check. Thrivent Choice \$\$ can also be used, but you must let Kathy T. know so she can make the transfer out of the general fund.

DONATE YOUR OLD EYEGASSES OR HEARING AIDS!



If you have old hearing aids or eye-glasses lying around, remember that they can be donated to the local Lion's club! If you want to bring them to church or to the Lutheran Center, someone will make sure they are delivered. We will be collecting until May 19th!



Women of all Ages and Stages Bible Study meets Wednesday May 1, 9:30-11:00 at the Lutheran Center, in the fellowship room. All are welcome!

RUMMAGE



Donations
still
needed!!

Even though the Vasa Rummage Sale is over, Vasa is still collecting certain items that will be purchased by the Epilepsy Foundation. These items include:

Purses

Shoes

Belts

Towels/Linens

Bedding (no dirty pillows though 😊)

Soooo...if you still have some Spring Cleaning to do, now is the time! Please bag your donations and bring them to the Lutheran Center before June 5th. All donations can be placed on the stage.

PLEASE! DONATE ONLY THE ABOVE ITEMS!

NOTHING ELSE!!!

SUMMER SERMON SERIES TO

BEGIN ON APRIL 28TH

Beginning on April 28th and continuing through the next 8 weeks, Vasa will be reading and considering passages from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Here is May's schedule:

April 28th: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18

The Church in Corinth

May 5th 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20

Who's in Charge?

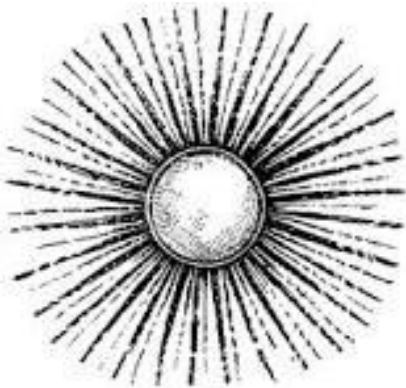
May 12th 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

Living in a Messianic Time

May 19th Acts 2:1-4/ 1 Corinthians 12: 1-13

The Gifts of the Spirit

May 26th 1 Corinthians 8: 1-13 *What's the Difference?*





*We, the Vasa Congregation,
Called by God, commit to:
Worshipping together,
Growing in Faith,
Serving others, and
Welcoming and loving all!*

