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[www.goodshepfortdodge.org](http://www.goodshepfortdodge.org)

We are on Facebook-look for  
Good Shepherd Fort Dodge

Little Lambs Preschool  
576-6308

We extend a special welcome to all who worship with us in God's House today. If you have no church home, we invite you to make Good Shepherd your church home.



**April 5, 2026**  
**The Resurrection of Our Lord**  
**Easter Day**

Please sign the attendance binder in the pew and mark Communion if you partake

If you need communion at your seat, please let pastor know before service.

### **Order of Service**

**See Printed Materials**



### **THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD**

#### **TODAY**

7:00am - Easter Sunrise Service  
C.I.A. Breakfast between services  
9:00am-Easter Festival Service w/HC

#### **MONDAY**

LL Preschool Easter Break

#### **TUESDAY**

8:15am-LL Preschool  
9:00am-Sewing  
12:00pm-LL Preschool  
6:30pm-LWML Board Meeting

#### **WEDNESDAY**

12:00pm-LL Preschool  
5:00pm-Christian Outreach  
5:15pm-CC Classes  
6:00pm-Swaddling Clothes  
6:00pm-Singers  
7:00pm-Ringers

#### **THURSDAY**

7:00am-Men's Bible Study  
8:15am-LL Preschool  
12:00pm-LL Preschool  
3:00pm-Dorcas Circle

#### **FRIDAY**

8:15am-LL Preschool  
12:00pm-LL Preschool

#### **SATURDAY**

5:00pm – Divine Service w/HC

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

9:00am-Diving Service w/HC  
10:30am-SS/Adult Bible Study



### **In Our Prayers:**

Wanda Wiese  
Sharon Musselman  
Bill Peterson  
Sharon McNeil  
Dorothy Kester  
Norman Nrewitt  
Mardell Prewitt  
Brexton Hines  
Janice Hackett  
Ken Ropte  
Peggy Anderson  
Lynette Bossart  
Sandra Fiala  
Sherry Richardson

### **Baptismal Birthdays:**

Douglas Barkema-April 4  
Rita Milberger-April 4  
Dale Eichor-April 5  
Stephanie Boeck-April 6  
Jared Kastendieck-April 8  
Lynette Bossart-April 10  
Steve Doty-April 10

**Attendance** – 34, 118

### **Gifts to the Lord:**

**Envelope/Plate** - \$4,246.51  
**Lent**-\$630  
**Maundy Thursday**-\$20  
**Good Friday**-\$20  
**Mission Central**-\$20  
**Online**-\$685  
**Swaddling Clothes**-\$40  
**Total of all Gifts:** \$5,661.51

### **Elders in Charge of Communion:**

4/4-Dennis Detmering and Dwight Wedemeyer  
4/5-Jerry Bossart and Mike Wiese

### **Acolytes**

4/5-Connor and Lindsey Naber

### **Organist/Pianist**

4/4-Judy Zoch  
4/5-7am-Judy Zoch  
4/5-9am-Joan Arndt

### **April Ushers**

Steve Doty  
Gary St. John

### **CIA YOUTH HOSTED EASTER BREAKFAST**

#### **Served Easter Sunday between the 7am and 9am services**

Easter Breakfast Menu will consist of:

pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, and more.

Juice, milk, coffee, and water will also be available

Free will donations will be taken to support our youth that are going to the National Convention and future Youth Mission Projects.

**“Quiet Activity Tree”** We have activity bags for your children aged Two to Five to use in the back of the church. Pick up a bag before church, use it and return it and all the items to the tree for the next service.

**The nursery** is located in the back of church. Parents are welcome to take their children in there at any time during the service. Please note there is a

**The Endowment Committee** has a total of \$25,000 to award this year to any individual or group with special needs or projects (should not be for ordinary operating expenses for the church). **Application forms can be picked up at the church office and must be submitted by April 20, 2026 to be considered.**

## Stewardship Corner:

**John 20:16** – “Jesus said to her, ‘Mary.’” Jesus is risen from the dead, is the Victor over sin, and even calls us by name. He still calls us His friends and brothers and means to bring us through death to join Him in His resurrection. Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

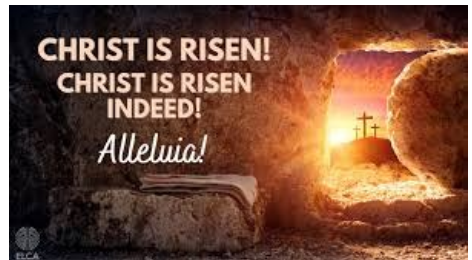
**Building Healthy Families:** Here are true words to remember and boldly speak aloud today or any day you may be feeling overwhelmed with temptation or any of life’s challenges: “Know ye then - sin, death, devil, and everything that assails me - that you are missing the mark. I am not afraid of you. For Christ, my dear Lord, has presented to me that triumph and victory of His by which you were laid low. And from this very gift of His I derive my name and am called a Christian. There is no other reason. My sin and death hung about His neck on Good Friday, but on the day of Easter they had completely disappeared. This victory He has bestowed on me. This is why I do not worry about you.” (from Luther’s Easter Sermon, 1530) A blessed, joyous, and lasting celebration of Easter to you and your family from Lutheran Family Service – here to serve you in person or via confidential telehealth link no matter where you live. Learn more at:

[www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)  
**Lutheran Family Service**



**“As Christians, we rejoice in the Savior who shines light on our lives when we only expected inky blackness. May God’s strong Word remind us that the fullness of life is meant to be lived in the light. In our weakness, may the Lord bring alongside us faithful brothers and sisters to proclaim that God is light and life to us, and let us walk in the light as He is in the light (1 John 1:7). In Jesus we have light, and to have light is to have life. May we rejoice in proclaiming the message of Jesus as the Apostle John did. Thanks be to God that He is light, and He shines in the darkness.”** *Rev. Dennis Norby, Grace Free Lutheran Church, Valley City, North Dakota*  
[A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life https://lutheransforlife.org/](https://lutheransforlife.org/)

**“You Don’t Know What You Have Till It’s Gone”** Death is the enemy of life, but in Jesus, God made death become life’s servant. (1 Corinthians 15:26)  
[Hear about it on the Lutheran Hour](#) WHO (1040 AM) 7:30 am. Sunday, KTLB (105.9 FM) at 8:00 am Sunday, KQWC (95.7 FM) at 11:00 am KHBT (97.7 FM) at 11:30 am Sunday. Log on to [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org) for other stations and details.



# LITTLE LAMBS SPRING FUNDRAISER

Serving Pastor and his crew's homemade pizzas. We will have a deluxe dessert auction and will be playing music bingo for prizes!

**FREE WILL DONATION**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>**

**@ 5:30PM**



Lutheran Women  
in Mission

**LWML Iowa West District  
42nd Biennial Convention  
Camp Okoboji–Milford, IA  
June 11-13, 2026**

**Deadline is May 10, 2026**

Registration fee BEFORE May 1, 2026 - \$50 / AFTER May 1 - \$60

## **Lodging/Meal Options:**

**Option 1:** Camp Lodging/Meal/Snack Bundle (2 nights air-conditioned including Thursday lunch- Saturday lunch) entry **\$210**

**Option 2:** Friday only Lunch/Snack bundle entry **\$25**

**Option 3:** Friday Lunch/Dinner/Snack bundle entry **\$40**

**Option 4:** Meal/snack bundle (Thurs lunch-Saturday lunch) available to those staying offsite desiring to eat meals at camp entry **\$115**

**OFFSITE LODGING OPTIONS**—You are responsible to reserve and pay for your Hotel Room, and your own transportation to camp.

Ingathering items are Swaddling Clothes Organizations across the District.

If you are interested in attending please contact Carol Johnston for an application. 515-570-4635