



**Eighth Sunday of Easter**

May 24, 2026

9:30 am



**DIAMOND  
LAKE  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

## Facility Guide

### **Accessibility**

Hearing devices, noise-reduction earmuffs, and large print bulletins are available for worship services—please see the ushers for assistance. Automatic door openers are present on the main doors and restroom doors in the Commons Area. An elevator that accesses all floors can be found in the hallway to the right when entering from the main glass doors. Please feel free to borrow a walker or wheelchair (found in the entryway) for your time in our building.

### **Restrooms**

Men's, women's, and all-gender restrooms are located in the Commons Area. They are to the left of the Lakeview Room entrance (or directly to your left when entering through the main glass doors).

### **Emergency and First Aid**

A first aid kit, automated external defibrillator (AED), and fire extinguisher are located on the left when entering through the main doors. Other fire extinguishers can be found in the Narthex (the back of the sanctuary), the Vestry (front left of the sanctuary), and throughout the building.

### **Lost and Found**

Missing something? Our Lost and Found is in the Commons Area coat room. Stop by anytime to check for items that may belong to you.

### **Notice of Filming and Photography**

During worship services and church events at Diamond Lake Lutheran Church, photography and video recording may occur. These images and recordings may be used in church publications, social media, and other communications to share and celebrate our ministry. If you prefer not to be included in photos and video, please let an usher or staff member know. Thank you for your understanding and for being part of our community life together.

# Welcome to Diamond Lake Lutheran Church!

**We are so glad you are here!** If you'd like more information about this community of faith, please fill out a Welcome card (found in the pew pockets near the hymnals) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher following worship. Take the Grow card with you if you wish! We invite you to enjoy coffee and Bogart's Doughnuts in the Commons before and after worship. Please wear your name tag each Sunday—it helps us welcome guests, get to know one another, and support those with memory concerns. If you don't yet have one, visit the Commons Area name tag station to make yours. We encourage adding pronouns to name tags!

## **Children in Worship**

Children are encouraged to be present for worship—build-your-own activity bags are located in the narthex, along with children's bulletins. Children are invited to use the Pray-Ground at the front of the sanctuary. A nursery is located on the lower level if you need it. Please ask an usher for directions. If you are a nursing parent, you are welcome to nurse anywhere. If you would like privacy, there is a nursing room in the nursery downstairs.

## **Guest Pastor: Mary Kaye Ashley**

Pastor Mary Kaye Ashley and her husband Jim both spent most of their growing up years at Diamond Lake, both volunteering in children/youth ministry. She has served as a hospital and nursing home chaplain, and as an ELCA pastor since ordination in 1998 in 18 congregations in 6 synods. Mary Kaye and Jim make their home in Burnsville, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this year, and have 3 grown sons and 3 grandchildren.

## **Participating in Today's Service**

Guest Pastor: Rev. Mary Kaye Ashley

Assisting Minister: Lisa Bass

Organist/Pianist: Dr. Kevin Hobbs

Special Music: Cynthia Dickison, Karen

Gabrielson, Sue Nelson, Norma Williams

Door Monitor: Graydon Royce

Head Usher: Jeff Simons

Ushers: Theo Brent, Julie Schmidt

Coffee Hosts: Sue Nelson, Lisa Ritzinger

Greeter: Del Hamaker

Acolyte: Lyle Dean

Reader: Adelaide Brent

Communion Baker: Sue Nelson

Communion Leader: Jan Michaletz

Communion Servers: Bob Kresse, Cyndi

Kresse, Judi Simons

A/V Tech: John Nelson, Gary Milne

Nursery: Mary Teurman

Pursers: Carisa Brent, Gene Zemske

## EIGHTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*We invite you to rise in body or in spirit each time the † symbol appears.*

### PRELUDE

*Norwegian Folk Songs, Op. 66, No. 1-3, Grieg*

### WORDS OF WELCOME

### TRINITY CHIMES

### † THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

As we move through this season of Easter,  
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,

You are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.

You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us:

Minnehaha Creek, the Mississippi and Minnesota Rivers,  
and each of our ten thousand lakes.

Blessed are you,

**You guide us to the springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness  
who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.

We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you,

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.

Break down barriers that divide us.

Fill us with the breath of peace.

Blessed are you,

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,  
and for making us a new creation.

We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

# ‡ GATHERING HYMN

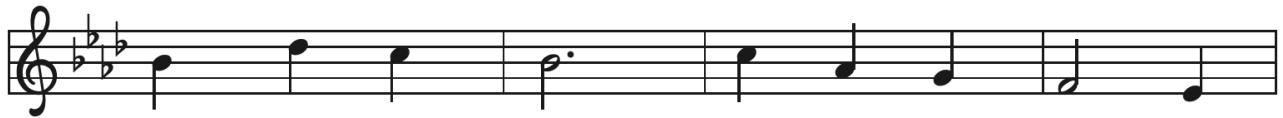
God's Work, Our Hands.....ACS 1000



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,  
2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,  
3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,  
4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,  
fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,  
prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,  
seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,  
walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,  
pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,  
Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.  
run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.  
claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.  
gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,  
Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,  
Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,  
Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.  
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## ‡ GREETING

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.**

## ‡ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**Gracious God,**

**draw our attention to you,**

**and to the things you want us to touch and see.**

**Help us to honestly ask you to grow our faith,**

**and make us aware of your constant presence.**

**Amen.**

## SERMON ON THE STEPS

## ‡ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*¡A - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya!*  
*Al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia!*



*¡A - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya!*  
*Al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia!*



*¡A - le - lu - ya,            a - le - lu - ya,*  
*Al - le - lu - ia,            al - le - lu - ia,*



*a - le - lu - ya!*            *¡A - le - lu - ya!*  
*al - le - lu - ia!*            *Al - le - lu - ia!*

## ‡ **GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the authorities, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing*.....ELW 386 (vs 4-8)

**‡ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Trusting in the power of Christ’s resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

*A brief silence.*

Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

**‡ SHARING OF THE PEACE**

May the peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*You may share the peace with those around you.*

## OFFERING

“Answer to Our Prayer,” arr. McDonald

Cynthia Dickison, Karen Gabrielson, Sue Nelson, Norma Williams

### General Fund

We give thanks for all the ways members and friends of Diamond Lake Lutheran Church contribute to the mission and vision of this congregation—gifts of time, gifts of participation and expertise, as well as finances. Financial gifts to the general fund help to make possible both in-house and outreach ministries, as well as sharing of our resources with the wider community.

### May Mission of the Month: The DHH Food Drive Operation

Our Mission of the Month for May is the Dios Habla Hoy (DHH) Food Drive Operation. This community outreach effort led by DHH Church provides food to families across the Twin Cities. It began in response to a growing number of families struggling to meet basic needs — many of them staying home and avoiding public spaces due to fear and uncertainty surrounding immigration enforcement activity in Minneapolis. Your donation helps purchase essential groceries, fresh items, and supplies used to pack and deliver food boxes to families each week.

### Give to the General Fund or Mission of the Month via:

**Cash** – Use a “Give Back” envelope from the pew pocket to designate a fund for your donation.

**Check** – Write the name of the designated fund in the memo line.

**Phone** – Scan the QR code to visit the Give Back page of [www.dllc.org](http://www.dllc.org) and select a fund from the drop-down menu. Repeat the process if giving to both funds.

Thank you!



Scan to Give

‡ **OFFERTORY**

*(To the tune of “As Saints of Old”)*

A world in need now summons us  
to labor, love, and give;  
to make our life an offering  
to God, that all may live.

The church of Christ is calling us  
to make the dream come true:  
a world redeemed by Christ-like love;  
all life in Christ made new.

In gratitude and humble trust  
we bring our best today  
to serve your cause and share your love  
with all along life's way.

O God, who gave yourself to us  
in Jesus Christ your Son,  
teach us to give ourselves each day  
until life's work is done.

‡ **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Risen One,  
you have gathered us around your table of grace  
along with these gifts we bring.

Come among us again,  
breathe your life into us,  
and enliven us with this meal,  
that we may live as your risen body in the world.

**Amen.**

## ‡ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## ‡ 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.**

## ‡ INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

## LAMB OF GOD



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf - fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## **DISTRIBUTION**

*As Christ offered himself without restriction to those gathered at the last supper, so too he invites all gathered here to partake in this meal. If you wish to receive the sacrament, come forward with your hands outstretched to receive the bread, and dip it either in the red wine or the white grape juice (both offered in each chalice).*

*If you wish to receive a blessing, come forward with your hands over your heart.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, and a chalice of grape juice is provided for gluten-free intinction. If it is difficult for you to come forward, please inform an usher, and the pastor will bring the sacrament to you in your seat.*

## **COMMUNION HYMNS**

*By Your Hand You Feed Your People.....ELW 469*

*Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal.....ELW 464*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Holy One,

through this meal you have made your home among us  
and are making all things new.

Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,  
to love our enemies,  
and to bring your healing to the nations.

In the name of Jesus,

**Amen.**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ‡ BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

May the God of resurrection power,  
the Christ of unending joy,  
and the Spirit of Easter hope  
bless you now and always.

**Amen.**

## ‡ SENDING HYMN

*God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me.....ACS 1084*



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to  
2 Bind to my-self the name of Ho-ly, great cloud of wit-ness-  
3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash-ing of light-ning,  
4 Walk-ing be-hind to hem my jour-ney, go-ing a-head to  
5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up-hold me:  
es en-fold; proph-ets, a-pos-tles, an-gels wit-ness:  
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan-et:  
light my way, and from be-neath, a-bove, and all ways:  
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

## ‡ **DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **POSTLUDE**

*Norwegian Folk Songs, Op. 66, No. 9-10, Grieg*

*This congregation traditionally sits and remains in the sanctuary to hear the postlude, which is offered by Dr. Hobbs. If you need to leave early, please feel free to do so quietly.*

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You are welcome at Diamond Lake Lutheran Church, a Reconciling in Christ congregation. Your presence makes your journey part of our journey—one we share with people of all ages and abilities, family structures, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, races and ethnic backgrounds, and financial circumstances. We affirm that every individual is a member of God's family, uniquely created and worthy of belonging. We are joyfully committed to hearing your stories, engaging your gifts, and working alongside you to strive for racial equity, promote social and economic justice, and heal our broken world. This congregation, like all congregations, is fallible and flawed. We make mistakes. But we are dedicated to building relationships with all who believe, doubt, question, seek, and wonder.



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We acknowledge that we gather as Diamond Lake Lutheran Church on the traditional land of the Wahpekute band of the Santee division of the Dakota people past and present.

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*Our mission: Stirred by the Spirit of Christ to learn, follow, and serve.*  
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