
Order of Worship

5th Sunday of Easter

3, 2026

9:00 am

Our service is broadcast live on radio 106.3 FM at 10:05 am and is live streamed on YouTube and the Lake Street UMC Facebook page

TFWS Hymns are from "The Faith We Sing" (black) hymnal

Musicians: Edna Sahs, organist; Ben Kittilstad, pianist

Hearing Devices are available in the Narthex (north entrance). Please ask an usher for assistance.

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

From the Book of Common Prayer

Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices of our own hearts. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Restore those who are penitent, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 31:1-8

Hymnal, pp. 764-765

*OPENING HYMN #322

"Up from the Grave He Arose"

CHILDREN'S TIME

A TIME OF PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Traditional text

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. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE #393

"Spirit of the Living God"

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

A TIME OF PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Timothy 3:14-17

SERMON (1)

"An Inspired Book"

Pastor Jerry

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Peter 3:14-16

God's word for all God's people.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON (2)

"A Frustrating Book"

*HYMN #600

"Wonderful Words of Life"

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

Please complete the Connect Card insert found in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

OFFERTORY

*PRESENTING OUR GIFTS *TFWS* #2203 (st. 2)

"In His Time"

**In your time, in your time;
You make all things beautiful in your time.
Lord, my life to you I bring, may each song I have to sing
Be to you a lovely thing in your time.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Grant us today, Lord, some measure of your own joy in giving. May
these monetary gifts be just the start of our giving to those around
us this week. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *TFWS* #2279

"The Trees of the Field"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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"An Inspired (Frustrating) Book"
2 Timothy 3:14-17; 2 Peter 3:14-16

"Christ-followers living God's love"

May 3, 2026



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Welcome to Lake Street United Methodist Church

We're glad you're here to worship with us today!

Members and guests: please complete the "Connect Card" to help us stay connected and share ministry together. Please place the "Connect Card" in the offering plate. Thank you!

Date: Sunday – May 3rd, 2026 – 9:00 am

Your Name _____

Please list anyone with you today _____

I am / we are guest(s); member(s);
 I am / We are seeking a church home and would like information. _____

(contact information)

I would like to be part of the e-mail prayer chain.
E-mail _____
(your e-mail will not be shared beyond our ministry)

My / our contact information has changed. *(Please update)*
Address _____
Primary Phone _____

I would like to order a **NEW NAME TAG**.

Requests for Prayer

These requests will go to our staff and to our email prayer chain, all of whom are committed to pray and to maintain confidentiality. If you request prayer for another person, to respect their privacy, we ask that you include the last name only if you have that person's permission.

Please pray for _____

– more opportunities on reverse side

Stronger Together – Addressing Homelessness Locally

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Thank you for all your support. Contact Laurie Van Beek, (lauriev@lakestreetumc.org) – 715-832-6603.

### Friends at the Lake Volunteer Sign-Up

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Participant      \_\_\_ Greeter      \_\_\_ Registration  
\_\_\_ Lunch Prep      \_\_\_ Activity Planning      \_\_\_ Music  
\_\_\_ Activity Leading      \_\_\_ Art

Not sure what you want to do; our director Laurie can help.

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Church Spring Cleanng Day — Saturday, May 16th — come and brink your lucky bucket and brush and help with our cleaning!

at the door.

Or maybe you want to have a **Dinner Concert scheduled for Saturday, May 2nd**. Doors open at 5:30 pm also at St. Olaf's. Tickets are \$45; or for supporting member \$40; tables of eight = \$340 or Supporting Members = \$325.

To make reservations contact Ron Gjerner at 715-797-5254.

Holey Socks Project

Lake Street United Women in Faith continues their **Holey Socks** project, which is a

This Week at the Lake

Sunday, May 3rd, 2026 — 9:00 am

Mission Emphasis: International Seminary Foundation

9:00a **Worship; livestream on Facebook and YouTube; [Nursery Available]**

10:00a Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)

10:05a **Radio Ministry (880AM or 106.3FM)**

10:15a Celebration Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

10:30a Bible Group (Conference Room)

3:00p Souleng Ministry (Chapel)

Monday, May 4th, 2026

11:00a Celebration of Life for Rev. Donald Frank at Chapel Hights UMC with fellowship following

1:30p Bible Study (Firesdie Library)

6:00p **Church Council** (Room 202/online)

7:00p Fellowship Hall (EC Male Chorus Additional Rehearsal)

Tuesday, May 5th, 2026

9:30a Room 202 (ADRC Stepping On Cls)

10:00a **Friends at the Lake** (Fellowship Hall)

6:30p Lounge in Use (Tues Women's NA)

7:00p Fellowship Hall (EC Male Chorus)

Wednesday, May 6th, 2026

1:30p Room 202/Fireside Library (ADRC Memory Loss Support Group)

3:00p Set up in Fellowship Hall for Blood Drive

6:15p Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:30p Fireside Library (Wed NA Group)

7:00p Chancel Choir (Fellowship Hall)

8:00p The Ensemble Fellowship Hall)



Online Giving allows for automatic donations using checking account or credit/debit card? Visit Online Giving at www.lakestreetumc.org/give. Use the QR code here or text 844-804-9791

Raise Right (formerly Scrip)

Plan to take Mom out for lunch on Mother's Day and support our Raised Right program. We have some restaurant cards available (in stock) — Olive Garden, Texas Roadhouse, Red Lobster and others. We are also stocking Woodman's and Culver's cards. Next order date is May 10th with pick up on May 17th. Place your order at the table or call, text or email him by Sunday afternoon.

Weisenbecka@gmail.com
715-271-6354

Buy Raise Right — Support port LSUMC

Thursday, May 7th, 2026

7:30a MAP [Men at Prayer] (Fireside Lib)

9:00a Quilters (Room 101A)

9:30a **Circuit Rider** Assembly (Room 202)

12:00p Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)

7:00p Homelessness Conference (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, May 8th, 2026

9:00a Kairos Community School

9:00a Kairos Karate Practice (Sanctuary)

Saturday, May 9th, 2026

12:00p Fireside Library (Sat NA Group)

6:00p Living Room Worship on Facebook

Sunday, May 10th 2026 — 9:00 am

Message: "What Is Inspiration?"

— Text: *2nd Timothy 3:14-17 and 2nd Peter 3:14-18*



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A Welcome to Our Guests

We're glad you're with us today. Our goal here at Lake Street is to welcome all people in Christ's love, regardless of age, gender, sexuality, race, ability, or anything else that divides people.

Worship Aids



Bulletins are available from ushers at both entrances. The readings and prayers are printed there, but will also be projected on screens. Pictorial bulletins for non-readers are also available.

Hearing devices tied to the sound system are available at the Lake Street door. Just ask an usher for help.



Children and Families

Parents are welcome to keep their children with them in worship. Don't worry about the wiggles. At the back of the sanctuary is an area for children, and individual activity boxes for each child. For more privacy, the service is also being streamed in the library—out the side door and up the ramp. There are also some children's toys and activities available in the library. During the service, a "Children's Moment" is offered in worship, and all ages are welcome up front.

Connect Card



The insert in the bulletin is a way for our members to sign in, and there is also a place where you may leave contact information, if you like, so that we may welcome you more than once.

Coffee Fellowship

You are invited to a coffee fellowship at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall, by the parking lot doors.



Communion



We usually serve Communion on the first Sunday of the month. We use grape juice and gluten-free bread, to include everyone, and all who are seeking God, of any age, are welcome at Christ's table.

Short Circuit — May 3, 2026

Community of Worship

This spring day new plants have begun to flourish. As branches connect to Jesus, the true Vine, may we also flourish and bear good fruit.

● **Worship Leader:** Jerry Morris; ● **Organist:** Edna Sahs; ● **Pianist:** Ben Kittilstad; ● **Liturgist:** Carol Mooney; ● **Song Leader:** Evan Rogholt; ● **Tech Crew:** Daniel Klingensmith, Aaron Athas, Per Forsberg, Derek Brost, Logan Wallace, Greg Wallace; ● **Altar Design:** Pat Peterson.

Radio Ministry

Gifts supporting our radio ministry today are given in memory of Carroll Vowels by Donald and Jane Quin and in memory of Barbara Rugotzke by Mike and Cindy McCluskey and Ron and Corinne Gjernerig.

Worship Notes

May 10th — next Sunday will be **Communion Sunday**. We moved it forward due to the EC Marathon.

May 17th — Music Sunday. Our annual celebration of worship through music. All our choirs and ensembles have a chance to lead us, and the preacher has a chance to be very brief!

Altar Flowers

Remember, if you have a profusion of spring flowers that you would like to share with the congregation, you can always bring them to church for the altar! Vases are available for loan!.

Community of Inclusive Welcome

Prayer Ministries

One way faith communities grow in care for one another is through our e-mail prayer chain. Sign-up on the Connect Card insert.

Coffee Fellowship

All are invited to a time of gathering and gabbing in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

Do You Enjoy Coffee Hour?

Help keep Coffee Fellowship going by volunteering to serve three or four times a year. Training, reimbursement and team development is available. Sign up on the door to the pantry in the kitchen or with Winnie Doxsie.



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Community of Spiritual Formation

Children's Sunday School

In April we continue looking at the Fruits of the Spirit focusing on gentleness and self-control.

Today — no formal classes due to the Eau Claire Marathon. All are encouraged to worship online.

May 10th — Last Sunday School class for this 2025-2026 season. Remember what we have learned this past year with various games and other fun things.

Scholarships for Summer Camp!

LSUMC has summer camp scholarships available. 80% of the cost! See wiumcamps.org for options.

Old Testament 101

The Lenten Bible Study on Passion Week has had a child. Last **Monday at 1:30 pm**, that group started a new four-week session. We will meet in the Fireside Library for an overview of the Old Testament—how it fits together into a coherent story, and how it prepares us for the story of Christ. If you are free on Mondays and would like to learn more about the first two-thirds of the Bible, come join us!

Community of Compassionate Outreach

Stronger Together:

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The Community Table

Lake Street volunteers served a meal of meatloaf, seasoned potatoes, fruit and veggie salads for 85 guests on April 8th. Our next **dates to volunteer are May 11th and June 10th**. Contact Peters Nelson at petermnelson@sbcglobal.net or at 715-379-8135.

May Loose Change: International Seminary Scholarship Drive

This month the Mission team is joining the rest of the United Methodist Church in taking up a collection to support international education around the world. Most of the growth in the United Methodist Church today is found in Africa, Asia and Latin America. There is no better way to support that growth and give it stability than to support the training of leader. There will be a special insert in next week's worship folder with more details.

Blessing Box

Thank you to everyone who continues to supply items for our Blessing Box. Items currently needed are toothbrushes, toothpaste, washcloths, socks, large underwear, Vaseline and Band-aids. We have enough soap, shampoo and conditioner.

Beacon House Hosting

The next opportunity to prepare a supper meal for guests at Beacon House is **May 17th—23rd**. If you're willing to prepare a meal, contact Kent Gierhart at 715-864-2056 or he can answer any questions. The Mission Team has allocated funds to help cover costs of preparing the meal if needed.

Church Spring Cleaning, May 16

The Board of Trustees has scheduled a workday on Saturday, May 16. Come down during the morning when you can and stay as long as you're free. Deep cleaning, polishing, and scrubbing all those things that don't need cleaning weekly, but *do* need cleaning sometimes.

Community Events

Thursday, April 30th — 12 pm—5:30 pm
Red Cross Blood Drive Donors Needed
Register at Redcrossblood.org or call 715-834-5744.

EC Male Chorus SPRING SING

Mark your calendars to come *and enjoy the next EC Male Chorus concert set for Friday, May 1st at 7:00 pm* at St. Olaf Catholic Church. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25