

**LITURGY at REDEEMER-ST.
JOHN'S and OUR SAVIOUR'S**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP



Sunday, April 26, 2026

10:30 A.M.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE Sheep May Safely Graze J.S. Bach

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing Hymn#807

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.**



Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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GLORIA

from Mass for John Carroll

ICET Text

Setting by Michael Joncas

Refrain

Cantor/Choir, All repeat

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o, glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a!

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o, et in ter - ra, ter - ra pax.

Choir: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

All: repeat Refrain

Choir: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

All: repeat Refrain

Choir: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

All (optional)

Lord God, Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ.

Choir: You take away the sin of the world:

All (optional)

Lord Je - sus Christ, have mer - cy on us.

Choir: You are seated at the right hand of the Father:

All (optional)

Lord Je - sus Christ, re - ceive our prayer.

All: repeat Refrain

Choir: For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father.

All: repeat Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen. *Please be seated.*

Word

God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Acts 2:42-47

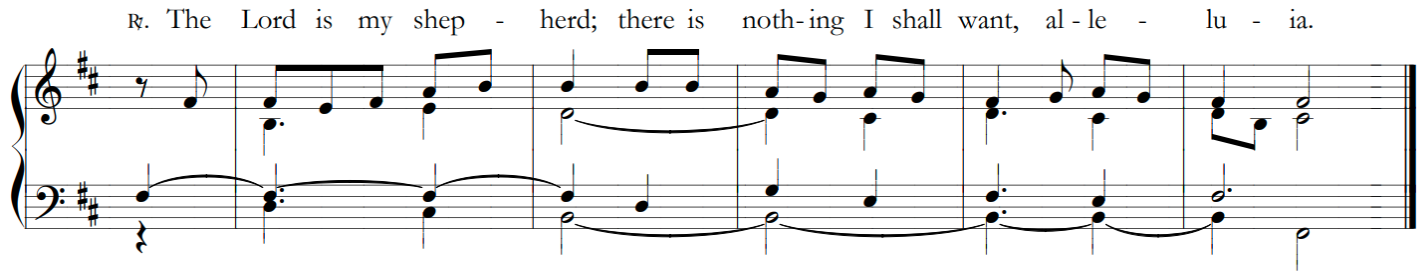
⁴² [The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³ Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6



R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
With your rod and your staff
that give me courage.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING**1 Peter 2:19-25**

¹⁹ It is a commendable thing if, being aware of God, a person endures pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰ If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do good and suffer for it, this is a commendable thing before God. ²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

²² “He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

²³ When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand.



Al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia.

"I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me."

(Jn 10: 14)

HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 10:1-10

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY

Silence for reflection

Rev. Khader Khalilia

HYMN OF THE DAY My Shepherd, You Supply My Hymn #782

THE 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;
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from
the virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**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.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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

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.

Shepherding God, draw all people to yourself and lead them in paths of
righteousness. Embolden your church to enter the valleys of the world and guide us
beside the still waters of your grace. We pray for military and prison chaplains
serving near and far. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Creator God, by the resurrection of your Son, show us your steadfast love and
instruct our hearts in your ways. Help us to revere and protect the wonders of your
creation. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Righteous Judge, strengthen and uphold those who work for justice and advocate for human rights.

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Great Physician, walk with those who are grieving, and anoint those who are ill or injured. Restore them to health of body, mind, and spirit. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Good Shepherd, continually seek us out as lambs of your flock, and form us into a community where all are honored and cared for. Spread a feast before us and fill our cups to overflowing. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Living God, we praise you for the saints who have died in faith and now dwell in your love. At our end, bring us, with them, to our heavenly home. 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.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

GREETING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The assembly sits after exchanging the peace.

OFFERTORY MUSIC The Lord is my Shepherd Howard Goodall

OFFERTORY VERSE *Please stand.*

YOU ARE HOLY (DU AR HELIG)



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
 You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
 than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
 Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
 to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

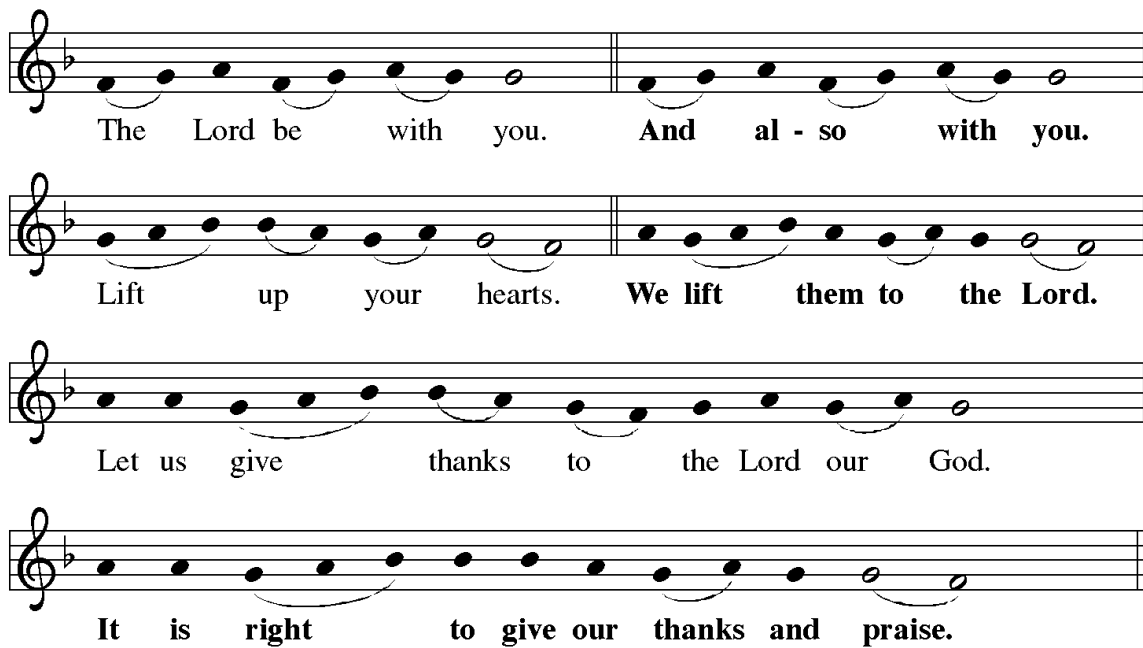


ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

OFFERTORY 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... We praise your name and join
their unending hymn...

Holy, Holy, Holy

Great Thanksgiving

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in B-flat major. The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics, and the bass staff contains a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,"

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

The second system of music continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,"

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

The third system of music continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry."

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The fourth system of music continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est."

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The fifth system of music continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The sixth system of music concludes the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est."

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and Holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

OUR FATHER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

AT THE DISTRIBUTION

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. In this Sacrament we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ for our forgiveness and salvation as we celebrate our unity with Christ and all the saints.

Jesus, Lamb of God

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

The second system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,

The third system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

grant us peace, grant us peace.

The fourth system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING *Please stand.*

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Now, Lord

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has
been ful - filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion
which you have pre - pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:
a light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning,
is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Living One,
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
Send us now to tell of your wonders,
sing of your glory,
and proclaim your risen life
to a wounded and weary world.
Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BENEDICTION *Please stand.*

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine Hymn #774

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE: Three Liturgical Improvisations and
longing to enter the courts of the Lord. George Oldroyd

LEADERS IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Presiding and Preaching

Rev. Khader Khalilia

Assisting Minister

Deacon Eric Johnson

Crucifer

Karin Morales

Lector

Blake Novak

Intercessor

Michael Gu

Usher

Jason Dean

Greeter

Karin Syrdahl

Director of Music

Kirsten d'Aquino

Choir

Christina Swanson

Celina Randazzo

Collin Ellsbury

Avery Davidson



PARISH NOTES – April 26, 2026

Welcome in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! We appreciate your joining us as we celebrate the love given to us through God's beloved Son. If you wish to be included on our mailing list, please sign the guest book or inform an usher or the pastor. Also, please join us for conversation and refreshments in the lower level after worship. May you feel richly blessed this day!



~John DeLuca, Beatrice Sarchapone, Maria Marsala, Roger Stern, Karen O'Brien, Phil Scherer, Milly Reistad, Pat Boyle, Steve Cerame, Diane Kerl, Family of Sandy Romano, Ruth Lundy, Dot Coy, Don Coy, Joshua Suzuki, Allison Lauer, Stanley Lieberman, Thomas Maulick, James Quigg, Norina Lundy, Carmen Delgado, Lenore Kerl and Peter Syrdahl.

Please let us know if you are in need of prayer.

The Word In Season” devotionals for April, May and June 2026 are now available on the foyer table.

Please note: All checks should be made out to Redeemer-St. John's and Our Saviour's Lutheran Church until Grace Lutheran Church becomes the official legal name.

A donation to the memorial fund was made in the name of **Jimmy Ladis** by Barbara H. Richter.

Blessed Birthday Wishes for APRIL to:

Bernie Monsen	April 1st
Connor Hall	April 7th
Madison Morales	April 8th
Lauren Hall	April 15th
Celina Randazzo	April 15th
Karin Syrdahl	April 17th
Piper Johnson	April 21st
Jessica Caldwell	April 28th
Linda Seadale	April 29th

Musica Obsidian Concert – May 3, 2026 at 7 PM.

A concert entitled **Luminia** is a one-hour concert celebrating the Divine Feminine through Baroque and Early Sacred repertoire featuring works that honor light, grace, compassion, and devotion particularly as expressed through Marian texts and feminine spiritual archetypes. Price: \$10 for Students and Children
\$25 for Adults

Offering Envelopes 2026

Please pick up your offering envelopes for 2026 from the table in the back of the church. If you do not see your name on the envelope set, please let Dorothy Fyfe or Pastor Khader know.



Eternal Candle and Altar Flowers:

It is \$10 per week to sponsor the Eternal Candle and \$40 per floral arrangement for the altar.

Altar Paraments:

New white altar paraments have been ordered. If you would like to make a donation towards this purchase in memory or in honor of someone, please feel free to contribute.

Social Ministry: Fundraising Activity for April and May 2026

For April and May 2026, we are continuing to support our partnership with the Healing Center (Trinity Healing Center, Inc.) which was, founded in 2000, as a Brooklyn-based nonprofit dedicated to supporting survivors of domestic and gender-based violence. For over two decades, the organization has remained a beacon of hope, advocating for a future free of violence. Please make your check payable to Redeemer-St. John's and Our Saviour's Lutheran Church and write on the memo line – Healing Center. Also, a Healing Center donation box is located on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.

A Sneak Peek at Our New Website

Our new website is live at gracebk.org!

We're still in the process of legally changing our name, so we'll hold off on announcing it to the wider community for now. In the meantime, please take a look and let Pastor Khader know if you have any feedback or questions. You can direct them to Pastor Khader directly.

Virtual Bible Study

Join us! We meet every Wednesday at 11:00 AM (via Zoom). All are welcome—bring your coffee and join the conversation!

Sunday School

This interactive learning experience for children, 1st through 5th grade, focuses on exploring the key biblical stories, creating, wondering and reflecting. The class meets every Sunday morning during the at 9:40 am.

Confirmation Class ~ Rooted in Word. Centered in Christ.

Youth in grades 5–9 are invited to join this year's Confirmation Class which meets in person every Wednesday at 5:30 PM at **939 83rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11228**.

This is a time of formation in faith, guided by Scripture, the Catechism, and the life of the Church. **Sunday worship at 10:30 AM is required.**

Contact **Pastor Khader at 718-833-7700** for more information.

Weekly Events at Redeemer-St. John's – 4/26/26 to 5/3/26

Sundays	10:30 am	Worship Service
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	12:00 pm	Greek Apostolic Church Service
Wednesdays	7:00 pm	Sons of Bill (Men's AA Meeting) – <i>In-person</i>
	Saturdays	1:30 pm –

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