

**May 11, 2025**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**Mother's Day**

*WELCOME! We are happy you came to worship with us today.  
If you are a new friend and do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of our church family. Please leave your name and email/phone number on the attendance sheet so we can get to know each other. Please let our ushers know if you need help using hearing assistance equipment, or in any other way.*

**Call To Worship**

**Songs of Praise**

*Give Me Jesus  
In Christ Alone*

**Passing of the Peace** (*Peace be with you/ And also with you*)

**Prayer Time**

Leader- "Lord, in your mercy" **People – "Hear our Prayer"**  
**Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer #885**

**Prayer of Praise and Adoration**

**Song of Praise** ~ *Revive Me*

**Scripture** ~ Habakkuk 2:1-4, \* Matthew 5:1-12

**Sermon**~ *Casting a Vision*

**Song of Praise** ~ *Nobody*

**Go in peace!**

+ Kirk, When We Gather



**SERVING US IN WORSHIP TODAY**

LITURGIST 8:30  
10:00  
ORGANIST & HANDBELL DIRECTOR  
CHOIR DIRECTOR  
CONTEMPORARY MUSIC  
PIANIST

XXXXXXXXXXXX  
Sharlene Momich  
Cheryl Todd  
Jonathan Tatar  
Jon Conover and ReBorn  
Sue Gilla

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GIVING:** Online giving is available and is appreciated. Please mail in your giving to P.O. Box 695 5 W. Washington St. Oswego IL 60543 or use our E giving for online giving <https://giving.ncsservices.org/app/giving/goodshepherdoswego> which can also be found on our website under the giving tab. ~ Thank you!

**PRAYER BLANKETS** – It's time to make blankets for our graduates and for our confirmands. We will make blankets on two Tuesday mornings in May: May 13<sup>th</sup> and May 27<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 am in the big Sunday School room. All are welcome to help. Please bring a pair of scissors suitable to cut fleece.

**VBS:** June 9-12! Registration is now open. \$10 per child ages pre-k to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up are encouraged to volunteer. See Rachel Conover with any questions. [https://vbspro.events/p\\_early/discovery2025](https://vbspro.events/p_early/discovery2025)

**BOOK CLUB:** Our book club selection for this month is Orphan Train by Christina Kline. Diane Clodi will be leading the discussion on Tuesday, May 13 at 1:00 p.m. at Nancy Patush's house. Please join us!

**MEN'S LUNCH:** The United Methodist Men will be having their monthly Men's Luncheon at Yorkville Cafe (Formerly Silver Dollar), 102 Stage Coach Trail, Yorkville on Wednesday, May 21st at noon. Please join us for fellowship and a fine meal.

**FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH:** Due to Mother's Day, our May brunch will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Join us in Fellowship Hall 9:15- 11am.

**MISSIONS:** During the 185th Northern Illinois Annual Conference, Good Shepherd will be participating in **FILL the TRUCK**, Mission Challenge Collection Drive for Midwest Mission Distribution Center. **Our Mission Team has placed a collection bin in the Gathering Room during May for donations.** The donations will be taken to the Annual Conference to be "loaded on the truck"! See the River Spirit, Eblast, or List in the Gathering Room for a complete list of needed items.

**MISSIONS:** In support of our US-Based Advances (UM Mission Link), Sunday, May 25 during both services, Aidan Poniatowski will present to the congregation information about the African American Heritage Center. A special collection for AAMHC will be taken.

## Habakkuk 2:1-4 NRSVUE

I will stand at my watch post  
and station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me  
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.  
Then the LORD answered me and said:  
Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.  
For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end and does not lie.  
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
it will surely come; it will not delay.  
Look at the proud!  
Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

## Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.



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