

**Luther Memorial Lutheran Church**  
**13047 Greenwood Ave N, Seattle, WA 98133**  
**Worship for Sunday, 19 April 2026**  
**+ Third Sunday of Easter, Year A**

*Actively Sharing Christ's Love in Community*

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**Prelude**

**Thanksgiving for Baptism:**

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

In the name of ☩ the One, who was, who is, and who is to come.  
**Amen.**

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.  
Blessed are you.  
**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness  
who accompanies us on our journeys.  
We give you 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 # 377

# Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;  
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:  
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;  
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.  
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:  
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!  
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

## Refrain



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

## **Apostolic Greeting**

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

**P:** Let us pray:

O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

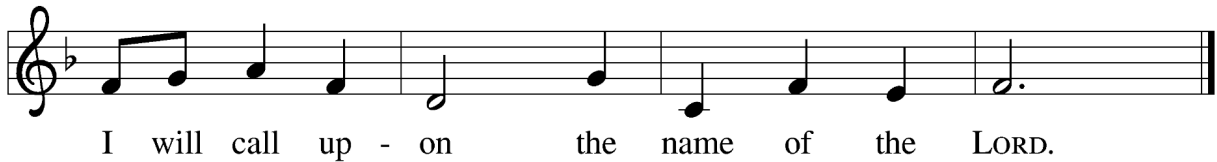
### **First Reading Acts 2:14a, 22-32**

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the people:]

“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified to be both Lord and Messiah.” Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls.” And Peter testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



I love the Lord, who has heard my voice,  
and listened to my supplication,  
for the Lord has given ear to me  
whenever I called.

The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;

I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the name of the Lord:

“O Lord, I pray you, save my life.” **Refrain**

How shall I repay the Lord

for all the good things God has done for me?

I will lift the cup of salvation

and call on the name of the Lord.

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord

in the presence of all God’s people.

Precious in your sight, O Lord,

is the death of your servants.

O Lord, truly I am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving

and call upon the name of the Lord. **Refrain**

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord

in the presence of all God’s people,

in the courts of the Lord’s house,

in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah! **Refrain**

## Second Reading 1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or

blemish. Christ was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through Christ you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation

*Please Stand*

Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Gospel Luke 24:13-35

P: The holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24th Chapter

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And Jesus said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these

days?” He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” Then Jesus said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When Jesus was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how Jesus had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

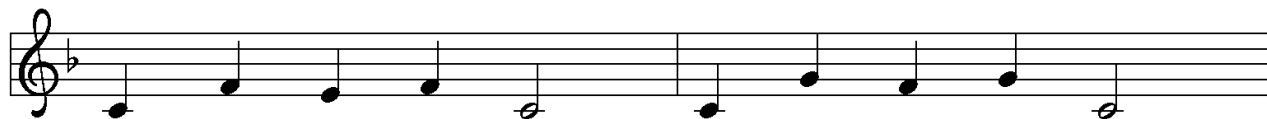
P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

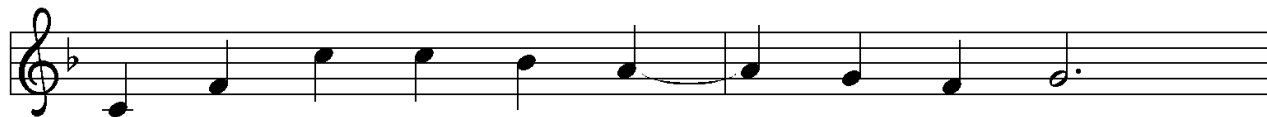
**Sermon**

# Hymn of the Day #374

# Day of Arising



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,  
2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,  
3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.  
4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.  
blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,  
This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:  
bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,  
yet Christ walks with us, ev - er a - wait - ing  
when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,  
Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.  
our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.  
there Christ is with us in bread and wine.  
that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, b. 1953  
Music: RAABE, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929  
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Music © 1999 Augsburg Fortress.

## Prayers and Peace

**P:** ....Hear us, O God.

**C:** Your mercy is great.

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

*From your place in the congregation, feel free to share a sign of peace with other members of the assembly.*

## Offering

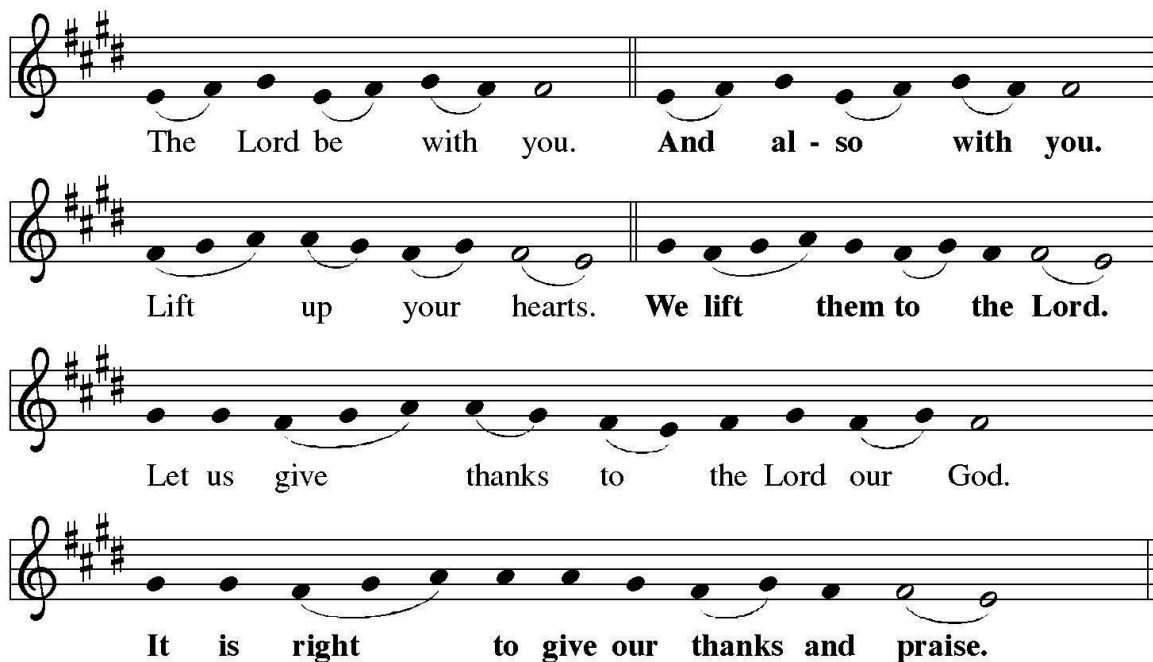
## Offertory Anthem

## Offertory Prayer

*Please stand*

P: Merciful God,  
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.  
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day  
when we will hunger and thirst no more.  
Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,  
that goodness and mercy may follow us  
and bless the world you love.  
In the name of Jesus,  
**C: 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.  
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the  
resurrection,  
with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic Liturgy

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.**

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom  
come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today  
our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin  
against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from  
evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now  
and forever. Amen.**

## Distribution of Holy Communion

*You may be seated*

*Please proceed up the center aisle to pick up a piece of bread from the Presiding minister and a glass of either wine or grape juice from the assisting minister.*

*There will be a basket off to the side where you can dispose of your used cups. The communion bread is all gluten free, but does contain honey. All are welcome to receive from Christ's table.*

*You may also come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing.*

## Communion Hymn #539

## *Abide, O Dearest Jesus*

1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, a - mong us with your grace,  
2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, a - mong us with your word  
3 A - bide with heav'n - ly bright - ness a - mong us, pre - cious Light;  
4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings a - mong us, boun - teous Lord;  
5 A - bide, O faith - ful Sav - ior, a - mong us with your love;

that e - vil may not harm us nor we to sin give place.  
and thus now and here - af - ter true peace and joy af - ford.  
your truth di - rect and keep us from er - ror's gloom - y night.  
let us in grace and wis - dom grow dai - ly through your word.  
grant stead - fast - ness and help us to reach our home a - bove.

Text: Josua Stegmann, 1588–1632; tr. August Crull, 1846–1923  
Music: CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN, Melchior Vulpius, 1570–1615

## Communion Hymn #483

## *Here is Bread*

*Sung by Chrissie Goldstein*

## Post-communion Prayer

**P:** 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,

**C: Amen.**

## Blessing

P: God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, † bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

## Sending Hymn #390

## *The Risen Christ*



1 The ris - en Christ, who walks on wound-ed feet  
2 The ris - en Christ, who stands with wound-ed side,  
3 The ris - en Christ, who breaks with wound-ed hand  
4 May we, Christ's bod - y, walk and serve and stand



from gar - den tomb through dark - ened cit - y street,  
breathes out his Spir - it on them to a - bide  
the bread for those who fail to un - der - stand,  
with those op - pressed in this and ev - 'ry land,



un - locks the door of grief, de - spair, and fear,  
whose faith still wa - vers, who dare not be - lieve;  
re - veals him - self, de - spite their lin - g'ring tears,  
till all are blessed and can a bless - ing be,



and speaks a word of peace to all who hear.  
new grace, new strength, new pur - pose they re - ceive.  
en - flames their hearts, then quick - ly dis - ap - pears.  
re - stored in Christ to true hu - man - i - ty.

Text: Nigel Weaver, b. 1952  
Music: WOODLANDS, Walter Greatorex, 1877-1949  
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## Postlude

## Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## Today's Worship Leaders:

Heidi Francis  
Chrissie Goldstein  
Leia Smith  
Carolyn Boswell & Dave Cederberg  
Julie Moe (1st)  
Chris Foss (2nd)  
Jen and Matt Smith  
Vicki Cook

Presider/Preacher  
Musician  
Communion Assistant  
Ushers  
Lectors  
  
Broadview Center Transport  
Altar Care

## Next Week's Readings

First Reading: *Acts 2:42-47*  
Psalm: *Psalms 23*  
Second Reading: *1 Peter 2:19-25*  
Gospel: *John 10:1-10*

## Announcements:

**Pastor Sara Away from the Office:** Pastor Sara will be away from the office beginning the evening of Sunday, April 12th, through Wednesday, April 22nd, for a couple different continuing education events. While she is away, please contact Jian in the office should you need anything. In the event of a pastoral care need, please contact Pastor Gary.

## April Grief Group:

Our grief group will be gathering during the following times in April. As always, if you are interested in the grief group, but are unable to attend any of these sessions, please talk to Pastor Sara.

- Tuesday, April 28th at 11:00am



**NWWA Synod Gathering:** Every 3 years, the Northwest Washington Synod has a gathering instead of a formal assembly. This year is a gathering year, and folks are invited to join together around the theme of **Life in God's Garden: Seeds of Generosity** at Trinity Lutheran in Lynnwood on Saturday, May 30th from 9a-5p. ***"This is generosity rooted in God's abundant love for God's creation. Generosity of time, space, talents, money - and generosity of our hearts."*** If you are interested, please use the link to look at the different workshop options, as

well as lunch options. Pastor Sara will register everyone, so please do not register yourself, but she will need to know which workshops you would like to attend and what you would like to eat. Talk to her if you have any questions, but we hope you will consider joining her there! [Synod Gathering | Northwest Washington Synod](#). She will be registering the group on Thursday, April 30th, so please let her know by then if you would like to attend.

**Seekers:** Seekers Bible Study has resumed on Wednesday mornings in the Sunday School room at 9:30 A.M. They are currently studying the book of Romans. Talk to Donna or Vicki if you would like to know more! All are welcome to join this time of study and fellowship!

**Read-a-Rama Dinner Volunteers Needed:**

We still are looking for a few people to provide dinner for the Read-a-Rama after school events happening here on Tuesdays from March 31st through May 26th. As a reminder, you do not need to be here to prepare the food, and it can be kept quite simple, but we would be happy to heat something up that you made or brought to church! Some suggestions from Read-a-Rama include mac and cheese, chicken nuggets, spaghetti, etc. There are approximately 15 students and 5 adults that we are feeding each week. All donations are greatly appreciated!

**Shoe Drive for Broadview-Thomson:** The Broadview-Thomson PTA is seeking donations for the students. NEW shoes or socks for our students in need. All sizes needed (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10). You can either order using their Amazon wishlist or bring your donations to church and Pastor Sara will deliver them. Our neighbors have greatly appreciated all of your donations to this point, so thank you!

**Financial Reports for March**

Gross:	\$13,989.30
Net:	\$11,016.62
Feeding Ministry:	\$100.00
Room Use:	\$879.00
Roof Fund:	\$450.00

### Feeding Ministry

Balance January 1 2026	4104.84
Donations	
Cash	1000.00
In kind (Where known)	772.73
Expenses (including 'in kind' goods)	<u>-1764.87</u>
Balance March 31 2026	<u><u>4112.70</u></u>

### Roof Fund

Received Jan 1 2024 – March 31 2026	26575.69
Giving In Kind	<u>296.09</u>
	<u>26871.78</u>
Paid from Roof Fund direct to roofing company	-8447.09
Repayment to MGF (A)	-12000.00
Giving In Kind utilized	<u>-296.09</u>
	<u>-20743.18</u>
Balance in BECU (for MGF reimbursement)	<u><u>6128.60</u></u>

(A) – Rather than actually transferring repayment of \$12,000 to MGF and, at the same time, requesting \$12,000 be transferred from MGF to LMLC as the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter withdrawal, the same result was accomplished by a journal voucher entry. No money actually moved.

MGF Account	12000.00
LMLC BECU Account (Roof Fund)	
Repayment to LMLC's MGF account for funds withdrawn for roof repair.	
LMLC BECU Account	12000.00
MGF Account	
Quarterly withdrawal of funds	

# Upcoming Events

19	APR, SUN	● All day	Pastor Sara on Continuing Education (Day 7/10) LMLC Office
		● 10:30 – 11:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship Sanctuary
		● 4 – 6pm	Skandia Society Rehearsal Celebration Hall
20	APR, MON	● All day	Pastor Sara on Continuing Education (Day 8/10) LMLC Office
		● 6:45 – 7:45pm	NA - Afterparty Group Celebration Hall
21	APR, TUE	● All day	Pastor Sara on Continuing Education (Day 9/10) LMLC Office
		● 1 – 3pm	Quilting Group - Elaine Celebration Hall
22	APR, WED	● All day	Pastor Sara on Continuing Education (Day 10/10) LMLC Office
		● 9:30 – 11am	Seekers Bible Study Library
23	APR, THU	● 6 – 9:30pm	Sound Harmony Sanctuary
24	APR, FRI	● 12 – 1pm	Pause for Prayer Zoom
		● 6 – 8pm	NAMI Library
		● 6:30 – 7:30pm	NA Pink Progress Club Fellowship Hall

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