

far from the land, but about one hundred yards away, dragging the net *full* of fish.

So when they got out on the land, they saw a charcoal fire *already* laid and fish placed on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have now caught." Simon Peter went up and drew the net to land, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not torn.

Jesus said to them, "Come *and* have breakfast." None of the disciples ventured to question Him, "Who are You?" knowing that it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave *it* to them, and the fish likewise. This is now the third time that Jesus was manifested to the disciples, after He was raised from the dead.

So when they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, *son* of John, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My lambs." He said to him again a second time, "Simon, *son* of John, do you love Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Shepherd My sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, *son* of John, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Tend My sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to gird yourself and walk wherever you wished; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will gird you, and bring you where you do not wish to *go*." Now this He said, signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, "Follow Me!"

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*You may be seated.*

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*Please stand.*

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**Prayer**

*Sharing of the Peace.*

*You may be seated.*

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**West Prairie Lutheran Church, LCMC**

**Prelude**

**Pastoral Greeting**

*Please stand if you are able.*

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**Prayer of the Day**

**All: O God, by the humiliation of Your Son You lifted up this fallen world, rescuing us from the hopelessness of death. Grant Your faithful people a share in the joys that are eternal; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

**FIRST LESSON:** Acts 9:1-22

**The Conversion of Saul**

Now Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest, and asked for letters from him to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, both men and women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. As he was traveling, it happened that he was approaching Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him; and he fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" And He *said*, "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting, but get up and enter the city, and it will be told you what you must do." The men who traveled with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; and leading him by the hand, they brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and the Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." And the Lord *said* to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him, so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he did to Your saints at Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen in-

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strument of Mine, to bear My name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel; for I will show him how much he must suffer for My name's sake." So Ananias departed and entered the house, and after laying his hands on him said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road by which you were coming, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he regained his sight, and he got up and was baptized; and he took food and was strengthened.

**Saul Begins to Preach Christ**

Now for several days he was with the disciples who were at Damascus, and immediately he *began* to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." All those hearing him continued to be amazed, and were saying, "Is this not he who in Jerusalem destroyed those who called on this name, and *who* had come here for the purpose of bringing them bound before the chief priests?" But Saul kept increasing in strength and confounding the Jews who lived at Damascus by proving that this *Jesus* is the Christ.

**PSALM 30** (responsively)

**Thanksgiving for Deliverance from Death.**

L: I will extol You, O LORD, for You have lifted me up,

**C: and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.**

L: O LORD my God,

**C: I cried to You for help, and You healed me.**

L: O LORD, You have brought up my soul from Sheol;

**C: You have kept me alive, that I would not go down to the pit.**

L: Sing praise to the LORD, you His godly ones,

**C: and give thanks to His holy name.**

L: For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for a lifetime;

**C: Weeping may last for the night, But a shout of joy comes in the morning.**

L: Now as for me, I said in my prosperity,

**C: "I will never be moved."**

L: O LORD, by Your favor You have made my mountain to stand strong;

**C: You hid Your face, I was dismayed.**

L: To You, O LORD, I called,

**C: and to the Lord I made supplication:**

L: "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?"

**C: Will the dust praise You? Will it declare Your faithfulness?**

L: Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me;

**C: O LORD, be my helper."**

L: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;

**C: You have loosed my sackcloth and girded me with gladness,**

L: That *my* soul may sing praise to You and not be silent.

**C: O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever.**

**SECOND LESSON:** Revelation 5:8-14

When He had taken the book, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each one holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood *men* from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. You have made them *to be* a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing.:

And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying, "To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, *be* blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever."

And the four living creatures kept saying, "Amen." And the elders fell down and worshiped.

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**GOSPEL LESSON:** John 21:1-19

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After these things Jesus manifested Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, and He manifested *Himself* in this way. Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the *sons* of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will also come with you." They went out and got into the boat; and that night they caught nothing.

But when the day was now breaking, Jesus stood on the beach; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. So Jesus said to them, "Children, you do not have any fish, do you?" They answered Him, "No." And He said to them, "Cast the net on the right-hand side of the boat and you will find *a catch*." So they cast, and then they were not able to haul it in because of the great number of fish. Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." So when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put his outer garment on (for he was stripped *for work*), and threw himself into the sea. But the other disciples came in the little boat, for they were not

**Offering**

*Please stand.*

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**Pastor:** Go in peace, serve the Lord

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**Closing Hymn, Children of the Heavenly Father**..... LBW #474

**Postlude**

**Pastor: Steven Bang**

**Organist/Pianist: Melissa Phillips**                      **Lectionary: Paris Reimann**

**Announcements**

**Today**

7 p.m. Youth Group

**Tuesday, April 12**

7 p.m. Bible Study

**Wednesday, April 13**

9 a.m. WOW quilting, noon potato bar with Irene Eide and Shirley Schutter

3 p.m. Confirmation Class

7 p.m. Naomi Circle with Jodi Fjeld

**Next Sunday, April 17**

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

10:15 a.m. Fellowship

11 a.m. Worship Service

7 p.m. Youth Group

**We welcome** to the baptismal font Wyatt Michael, son of Ben and Whitli Bromeland. Sponsors are Cody Reimann, Eli Bromeland and Brittney Hultmann. Welcome to your church family, Wyatt!

**Happy Birthday** to Phyllis Disque!

**Prayer List**—Donnie Jensen, Shirley Hanson, Mandy Carlson, Elaine Ritz, Carver Moffett, Kylie Holst, Angela Haugen, Marlys Haugen, Mike Haack, Roger Peterson, Dale Zingg, Dorothy Kall, Ben Charlson, Monte Branstad, Blanche Durby, Eldora Reil. All prayer requests can be submitted to: [www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer](http://www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer); leave message on church answering system @641-567-3733; or called in to Pastor Steve @ 641-590-7894.

**Organ Dedication...** Please join us at Forest City United Methodist (305 S Clark St) on Sunday, April 17 at 2 p.m. for the dedication of our new Rodgers Organ. This instrument is a memorial gift from the family of Lorraine Nyhus. Northwood-area organist Ryan Hulshizer will be our featured artist, along with our handbell choir and choir directed by Jan Harris and accompanied by Lisa Nelson.

**LCMC Women’s Spring Event** will be held Saturday, April 16 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Waukee. Anyone interested in attending, can still register by calling 515/987-4089 by Monday, April 11.

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**SERMON NOTES**

**“Restoration Needed” John 21:1-19**

1. Peter’s life was one of ups and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Three times Peter had an opportunity to make a bold stand for Jesus and \_\_\_\_\_ times he blew it.
3. Maybe you find yourself like Peter and you are wondering, “Can God still \_\_\_\_\_ me after all I’ve done?”
4. Our Lord had \_\_\_\_\_. His goal was to remove Peter’s guilt.
5. Jesus doesn’t refer to Peter as Peter “the rock”, but as \_\_\_\_\_. A rock is strong and dependable and Peter had not been dependable.
6. Peter was humbled and became \_\_\_\_\_ about his spiritual condition.
7. Jesus asks Peter three times if he \_\_\_\_\_ him.
8. Honesty about the strength and health of a relationship is important, yet how often are we truly \_\_\_\_\_?
9. The church is not a pretty place of ‘fine’ people but it’s a place of \_\_\_\_\_ people in need of grace and assistance.
10. No matter how bad your past may be, Jesus stands not only ready to forgive, but also to \_\_\_\_\_.
11. If you are going to be restored then you must be \_\_\_\_\_ about your spiritual condition.
12. If you come to God saying, “I just don’t feel close to you,” be prepared to hear, “Well, I haven’t \_\_\_\_\_ from you in a while. I’ve been here, where have you been?”