

Pastor: R. Garret Szantner ♦ **Director of Church Music:** Jean La Crosse
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A Congregational Meeting is being held on May 7th after the worship service.

Save the date! The return of the Lynnwood Talent Show! Saturday, May 6th – Show begins at 7:00pm or join us first for dinner at 6:00pm. Sign up in the narthex. See Mark Watson for questions.

The Mission Team is collecting the following items for the backpack program at Guilderland Food Pantry during the month of May. Donations can be left in the narthex or in food bins if the church is closed .

- ~ Individual sized microwaveable Mac and cheese and raviolis.
- ~ Individual sized bags of tuna (no cans).
- ~ Individual sized cold cereals.

The Lynnwood Buildings and Properties Team is seeking people to fill the volunteer positions of "Superintendent of Buildings and Properties" (currently held by Walt Cogswell), and "Chair of the Buildings and Properties" (currently held by Mark Watson). Transitional orientation will be provided. Additional information, including job descriptions, is available by contacting Walt Cogswell at (518) 229-1947 or Mark Watson at (518) 992-8224.

Additional Messages from the Lynnwood Buildings and Property Team:

There are still two-week sign-up slots, starting in June, for mowing the church's 4+ acres of greenery. Must be at least 18 years old and have orientation on the zero-turn mower. Contact Walt Cogswell (518.229.1947) if interested or just curious. Have a spare 16 pound T-Post driver on hand? Buildings and Properties would like to borrow it for a couple weeks. Contact Walt Cogswell if you're willing.

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| Later Today | Coffee Fellowship Street Soldiers meal prep 11:30 Suburban Sounds 4:00 |
| Mon 01 | Stewardship Meeting 6:30 |
| Tue 02 | Faith Formation Mission Meeting 4:30 B&P Meeting 6:00 <Girl Scouts 5048> 6:00 |
| Wed 03 | Stretching with Friends 6:00 Worship Team Meeting 6:30 Choir 7:30 |
| Thu 04 | In His Presence 9:30 <Troop 5005> 6:30 Band 6:30 |
| Fri 05 | Brooks' BBQ 3:00 |
| Sat 06 | Maria's Prayer Group 10:00 Pre Show Dinner 6:00 Talent Show 7:00 |

LYNNWOOD REFORMED CHURCH

APRIL 30TH, 2023



ACTS 8:26–40

GATHERED BY GOD

APRIL 30, 2023

Welcome Mary Chew

Prelude

*Call to Worship Larry Bopp

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
With all that I am, I will bless God's holy name!
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget none of his benefits.
**God pardons all my wrongdoing
and heals all my ills.**
**God rescues me from death's pit
and crowns me with love and compassion.**
**God satisfies me with all goodness and mercy,
So that my youth is renewed like an eagle's.**
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
With all that I am, I will bless God's holy name!

*Song of Gathering "Come Thou Font of Every Blessing"

Psalm of Adoration

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

*Song of Praise "What the Lord Has Done in Me"

A Prayer with the Children, dismissal to Explorations

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Acts 8:26—40 Susan VanDerWende

Sermon

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Sacrament of Baptism Peyton Mae Jackson

*Words of Affirmation

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Choir Anthem "By the Water Flowing"

Ministry Updates

Offering and Prayer of Dedication Amanda Wilber

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (debts and debtors) Mary Chew

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

*Song of Sending "Be Thou My Vision"

*Benediction

Postlude

*indicates standing for those able. **Bold type** indicates congregational response

At Lynnwood Reformed Church, we affirm the great diversity of God's creation in our communities. This diversity includes persons from various economic, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds, gender expressions and sexual identities, and gifted with a variety of abilities. We also believe that God's unconditional love, as demonstrated through Jesus Christ, is intended for all. As such, all people are welcome to participate fully in the life of the church.