

## Sermon Notes

### We would love to hear your story!

If you have a story to share of healing, praise, gratitude, serving in a mission or ministry at Victory, please send to [hello@victorylutheran.com](mailto:hello@victorylutheran.com). (200-300 word limit)

### Daily Bible Readings (April 14-20)

Sun:	Acts 3:1-10	Peter Heals
Mon:	Acts 3:11-16	Peter Speaks
Tues:	Acts 16:1-10	Paul's Mission
Wed:	Acts 16:11-18	Encountering Lydia
Thurs:	Acts 16:19-24	Paul & Silas Arrested
Fri:	Acts 16:25-34	An Earthquake in Prison
Sat:	Acts 16:35-40	Paul & Silas Released

\*The readings selected come from the Narrative Lectionary calendar.

## Life Notes

### Power of the Holy Spirit #2: "In the Name of Jesus" - Acts 3:1-10

#### Opener:

Briefly share a time when someone you know was unexpectedly healed.

#### Go Deeper:

1. What was the lame man expecting when he showed up at the temple that day? (Acts 3:2)
2. If Peter and John had no money to give the lame man, why do you think they bothered making eye contact with him? (Acts 3:4)
3. What was it that Peter offered the lame man instead of money? (Acts 3:6-10)
4. What is remarkable in your opinion, about the man's reaction to the healing? (Acts 3:8-11)
5. Why were many in the temple shocked at this healing? (Acts 3:11)
6. How did Peter explain this healing to the people? (Acts 3:16)

#### Live It:

1. The Bible tells us that there is healing power in the name of Jesus. What does this mean to you? Should it change the way you interact with people? If yes, how?
2. How do you daily express your gratitude for your salvation? Or, what needs to change in your life to be more intentional about the joy your assurance of salvation brings?
3. How can we share Christ's life giving salvation with others? (share our testimony, invite someone to church, start a life group with non-believers). What other ideas come to mind?
4. God has empowered us with the gift of the Holy Spirit. He gives us the words to say when we are unsure of what to say. Who is He placing on your heart to speak to about Him?
5. Who in your life needs healing? What are you going to do about this?
6. Sometimes healing comes in unexpected ways. Has God ever given you something you didn't know you were looking for? What was it and how did this change you?
7. Healing comes in many forms. How can scripture help you or someone you know who is seeking healing? (Isaiah 41:10, James 5:14-15, Psalm 103:2-3, Jeremiah 33:6)

## Upcoming Week

### Sunday, April 14

Family Promise Host Week: April 14-21

7-11am Morning Fellowship, FH

8am Worship & Communion, WC

9:30am Worship, WC

10am Fair Trade Sale, FH

11am Contemporary Worship, WC

### Monday, April 15

9-11:30am Food Pantry

### Tuesday, April 16

3pm Council Meeting, C4

6:30pm Women's Bible Study, LR

7pm AA Men's Meeting, FS

### Wednesday, April 17

9-11:30am Food Pantry

12:30pm Al-Anon, C4

1pm Men's Bible Study, LR

1pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, WC

1:30pm Women's Life Group, FS

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal, WC

8pm AA Meeting, FS

### Thursday, April 18

10am Prayer Group, LR

11am Al-Anon Meeting, FS

11am Stephen Ministry, C4

1pm Dementia/Alzheimer Seminar, FH

### Friday, April 19

Office Closed

### Saturday, April 20

8am Men's Bible Study, FS

4pm Worship, WC

CH = Chapel
FH = Fellowship Hall
FS = Fireside Room
LR = Luther Room
WC = Worship Center
C4 = Community Room

### UPCOMING

April 21: Piano Duo Concert @ 3pm

April 23: Book Club @ 1:30pm

April 28: Africa Info. Meeting @ 12:15pm

April 29: GriefShare Begins @ 12:30pm

May 5: New Member Class @ 12:15pm

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# POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



April 13 & 14, 2024

"In the Name of Jesus"

Acts 3:1-10



Todd Mathison, Lead Pastor  
Susan Westland, Chaplain  
Renee Bennett, Pastoral Intern

Connect with us!





## GOD TIME: Experiencing Lent in a Powerful Way

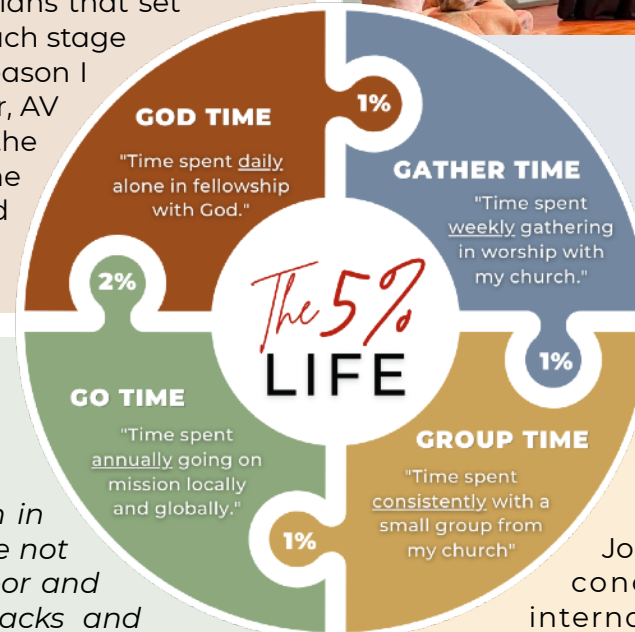
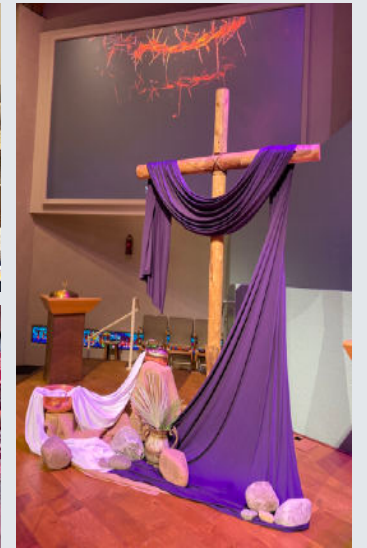
Jeff Bennett

Being new to Victory I had no idea what services and activities were going to be offered during the Lenten season. I was surprised by the amount of services, classes and experiences provided to draw me deeper into reflective worship during Lent! Because of this, I decided to take full advantage. The Easter Experience classes really brought the story of Jesus' final days to life and the table discussions afterwards truly challenged all of us as we wrestled with some difficult truths! The Wednesday Lenten services, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and of course the Easter services were all well done, powerful and thought provoking. I will never forget Pastor Todd's use of the Roman flagrum to show what Jesus experienced during His whipping by the Roman guards. His demonstration brought to life the agonizing suffering Jesus went through in order to cleanse us of our sins. I found the Good Friday service to be especially powerful with the extinguishing of the candles one by one as the last words of Jesus were read. One of the most moving elements of the Good Friday service was the experience of pounding a nail into the Cross to represent my sin that Jesus took to the cross with Him. I appreciated the solemnity of the interactive Stations of the Cross. I had never partaken in a reflective experience like this before.

Thank you to our Director of Music, Kristin, and all of the choir members and musicians that set the stage for each Lenten service through music ranging from solemn to joyful for each stage of the Passion of Christ. Without a doubt, this has been the most powerful Lenten season I have ever experienced! Thank you to the Pastoral team, admin team, musicians, choir, AV team, ushers, greeters, custodians, and kitchen staff that prepared the meals for the Wednesday night soup supper and Easter Experience sessions as well as all the behind the scenes teams and individuals that are the unsung heroes that made and continue to make each service special! Victory truly made the victory of the cross a special experience for me.



## GATHER TIME: Holy Week Photo Recap



## GO TIME: Heritage Quilt Presentation

by Daughters of the Revolution

Thank you to our presenter, Kelly McDonald, who share the artistry, heritage and history of quilt making in the 1800's.

Families inherit the quilts and donate them to the DAR Museum in Washington, DC where they are on display.

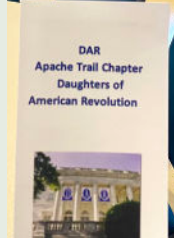


*"My grandmother, who was born in the 1800's, quilted. Her quilts were not fancy because they were very poor and they were made out of feed sacks and scraps of their clothing just to survive and to keep warm. The ones that we saw today were works of art. It was amazing to see how they created these intricate pieces!" ~ Cindy Hilsabeck*

### Did you know?

Victory's Quilters finished at total of 35 quilts this Tuesday & Wednesday when they met. The women sew the tops at home on their sewing machines. Then, they bring them back to be layered — the back, batting and top. Then, they are ready for hand sewing and tying of the knots. They will be sending 42 quilts to the Navajo Lutheran Mission next week.

**Quilters Meet: May 21 & 22 @ 8:30am**



## VLC Concert Series

Piano Duo Concert

Sunday, April 21 @ 3:00pm

Join us for another wonderful concert on April 21! Known internationally as "A Squared," Phoenix musicians Ashley Strawser and Andria Fennig will share a potpourri of four-hand works on both one and two pianos, including pieces by Chaminade, Ravel, Milhaud, Schubert and more! Please join us for an afternoon of piano music featuring some of their favorite selections! Concert is at 3pm, with a reception following.

Freewill offerings are always welcome. Don't forget to invite a friend!

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**Ashley Strawser & Andrea Fennig**

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