

Third Sunday of Easter



4th century mural painting from the catacomb of Commodilla, Rome.

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Apr 22 & 23, 2023

Welcome to All Who Worship

Jesus has invited you here today.

Here, Jesus stills quaking hearts. Here, Jesus forgives the unspeakable. Here, Jesus comforts the lonely. Here, Jesus makes joy complete!

Here you will meet others Jesus has grabbed with His grace.

We invite you to sign a guest card in the pew rack, noting your attendance and place it in the offering plate as the offering is taken or you may sign the attendance book in the Fellowship Hall.

Our Mission

Gaining and nurturing disciples for Christ through the Word and Sacrament, and proclaiming to all people traditional Biblical truths as a congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Holy Communion

To Our Guests: We're glad you're here! Lutherans believe this sacrament is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine. Here he gives himself and all that he promises. Receiving the sacrament is also an expression of full unity in faith with those with whom you are communing. Based on this theological principle, if you are a member of a congregation that shares the confession of faith of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have been instructed concerning the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to commune with us today. We continue to pray for the day when all divisions in the body of Christ will cease. Anyone who wishes may receive a pastoral blessing by kneeling at the altar rail with your arms folded across your chest. If you desire to commune at St. Paul and would like to learn more about the Lutheran Church, please speak with the pastor.

To Those Communing Today: God's Word instructs those who come to the Lord's Table to first examine themselves. You may use the meditation material in this bulletin to prepare yourself to receive the Sacrament.

The pastor will distribute the body of Christ followed by an usher with a tray of individual cups. The pastor will then follow with the Chalice.

Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the pastor or an usher before the service.

Divine Service

Setting One (LSB page 151)

Prelude

Confession and Absolution

Stand as you are able

"Repentance, therefore, is nothing else than a return and approach to baptism, to resume and practice what has earlier been begun but abandoned" (Large Catechism)

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service Of The Word

Entrance Hymn "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure" **LSB 533**

- 1 Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal,
Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End;
Godhead, humanity, union supernal,
O great Redeemer, You come as our friend!
Heaven and earth, now proclaim this great wonder:
Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!
- 2 Jesus has come! Now see bonds rent asunder!
Fetters of death now dissolve, disappear.
See Him burst through with a voice as of thunder!
He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,
Lifts us from shame to the place of His honor.
Jesus has come! Hear the roll of God's thunder!
- 3 Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death's fortress,
Brings forth the prisoners triumphant, unharmed.
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!
Jesus has come! He, the mighty Redeemer!
- 4 Jesus has come as the King of all glory!
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story;
Welcome Him now in this fast-fleeting hour!
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!

Text: Johann Ludwig Conrad Allendorf, 1693-1773; tr. Oliver C. Rupprecht, 1903-2000, alt.

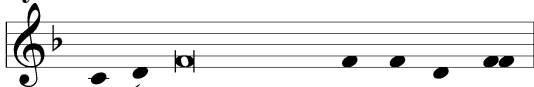
Tune: Cöthen, c. 1733

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Stand as you are able

Kyrie

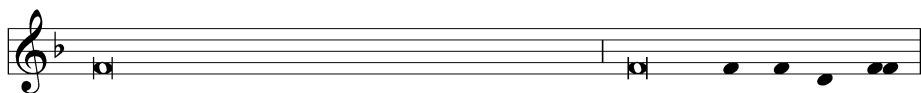
Lord Have Mercy



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



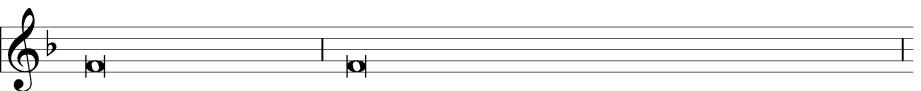
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



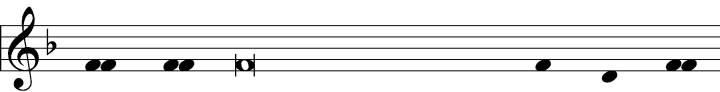
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise

This Is the Feast

Refrain



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



- 1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect Of The Day



P The Lord be with you.







C And al - so with you.



A Gracious is the LORD, and  righteous;
our God is  merciful.



C **The LORD preserves the  simple;
when I was brought low, he  saved me.**

A Return, O my soul,  to your rest;
for the LORD has dealt bountifully  with you.



C **For you have delivered my  soul from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from  stumbling;**

A I will walk be-  fore the LORD
in the land of the  living.

C **I believed, even  when I spoke,
“I am greatly af-  flicted”;**

A I said in  my alarm,
“All mankind are  liars.”

C **What shall I render  to the LORD
for all his bene-  fits to me?**

A I will lift up the cup of sal-  vation
and call on the name  of the LORD,

C **I will pay my vows  to the LORD
in the presence of all his  people.**

Epistle Reading

1 Peter 1:17-25

¹⁷And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. ²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴for “All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, ²⁵but the word of the Lord remains forever.” And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand as you are able

Alleluia and Verse

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



8 How blest are they who have not seen



And yet whose faith has con - stant been, For they e -



ter - nal life shall win. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: attr. Jean Tisserand, d. 1494; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt. Tune: French, 15th cent.

Holy Gospel Reading

Luke 24:13-35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.



G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹³That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But 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 happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." ²⁵And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things

concerning himself. ²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

After the reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Alleluia

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: attr. Jean Tisserand, d. 1494; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt. Tune: French, 15th cent.

Sit

Hymn Of The Day "Who Are You Who Walk in Sorrow" **LSB 476**

- 1 Who are you who walk in sorrow
Down Emmaus' barren road,
Hearts distraught and hope defeated,
Bent beneath grief's crushing load?
Nameless mourners, we will join you,
We who also mourn our dead;
We have stood by graves unyielding,
Eaten death's bare, bitter bread.
- 2 Who is this who joins our journey,
Walking with us stride by stride?
Unknown Stranger, can You fathom
Depths of grief for one who died?
Then the wonder! When we told You
How our dreams to dust have turned,
Then You opened wide the Scriptures
Till our hearts within us burned.

- 3 Who are You? Our hearts are opened
 In the breaking of the bread—
 Christ the victim, now the victor
 Living, risen from the dead!
 Great companion on our journey,
 Still surprise us with Your grace!
 Make each day a new Emmaus;
 On our hearts Your image trace!
- 4 Who are we who travel with You
 On our way through life to death?
 Women, men, the young, the aging,
 Wakened by the Spirit's breath!
 At the font You claim and name us,
 Born of water and the Word;
 At the table still You feed us,
 Host us as our risen Lord!
- 5 "Alleluia! Alleluia!"
 Is the Easter hymn we sing!
 Take our life, our joy, our worship
 As the gift of love we bring.
 You have formed us all one people
 Called from ev'ry land and race.
 Make the Church Your servant body,
 Sent to share Your healing grace!

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Sermon

"I AM the Alpha and The Omega" **Revelation 21:1-8**

Stand as you are able

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

(All may bow:

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man); and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of

life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of The Church

Greeting of Peace

Offering

Monetary offerings along with the congregation's gifts of bread and wine to be consecrated for Holy Communion are brought forward and presented to the Lord.

- To give online, go to stpauldbq.com/give

Offertory

"Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

LSB 465

- 1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
In praise of love that still abounds:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here:
"Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal is the gift He brings,
Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Now still He comes to give us life
And by His presence stills all strife.
Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through Your triumph;
Grant grace sufficient for life's day
That by our lives we truly say:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heavn'ly blessèd sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Offertory Prayer

P Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-- our selves, our time, our income, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Service Of The Sacrament

Preface



P The Lord be with you.



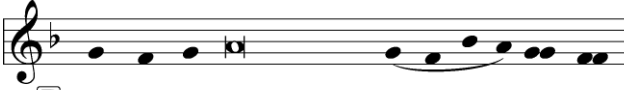
C And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are 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 in the high - est.

Prayer Of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You...one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words Of Institution

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Closing Hymn

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

LSB 940

- 1 Holy God, we praise Thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.
- 2 Hark! The glad celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy Lord!
- 3 Lo, the apostles' holy train
Join Thy sacred name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain,
And the white-robed martyrs follow,
And from morn to set of sun
Through the Church the song goes on.
- 4 Thou art King of Glory, Christ;
Son of God, yet born of Mary.
For us sinners sacrificed,
As to death a Tributary,
First to break the bars of death,
Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.
- △ 5 Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee
While we own the mystery.

Text: Latin, c. 4th cent.; German version *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1774, Vienna; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900, alt. Tune: *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1774, Vienna

Postlude

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Flowers on the Altar Are For

Jeff & Sheila Zasada
in honor of their 38th Wedding Anniversary

Preparing Yourself For Worship

In order to help prepare your selves for our worship services, we are listing below the scripture readings for the coming week.

April 29 & 30, 2023 - 4th Sunday of Easter

Revelation 22:6-21,1 Peter 2:19-25, John 10:1-10

Worship Assistants

	Sat. Apr 22 – 5:30pm	Sun, Apr 23 – 9:00am
Head Usher:	Dennis Fry	Jon Lutz
Accompanist:	Riley Sindt	Riley Sindt

April 15 & 16 Statistics

Last Weekend Attendance:	66
Views* on Facebook:	36
Overall Participation:	102

*The number of post clicks. This does not account for groups who watched together on the same screen.

Building Healthy Families: Wives, want to have a closer relationship with your husband, even during times of stress or conflict? Check your tone, your attitude, and your words. Research supports what Scripture tells us: During an argument, 83% of husbands feel disrespected. "Each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband." (Ephesians 5:33) Respect your husband always, even when you're not happy with him. It's not just a good idea, it's a clear directive from the creator of marriage Himself. And it actually works! Lutheran Family Service - www.LutheranFamilyService.org.

Recital: Today at 2:00pm, Riley Sindt will be doing an organ recital. This will be a hymn sing along. This is the last weekend he will be our Director of Music.

Prayer Requests

Mindful of the Father's great mercy shown to us in Jesus, we pray on behalf of those who are in need.

For those undergoing cancer treatment:

Roger Riechmann (father of Teri Riechmann & Sheila Zasada)
Rae Ann Wegner (sister of Kim Weed)
Jayme Niemeier (nephew of Dave & Sue Krause)
Christa Wubben (daughter of Jerry & Jan Anderson)
Raymond Kruser (brother-in-law of Dave & Sue Krause)
Zeke Pergande (son of Dan & Doris Pergande)
Martha (godmother of Will Wehrspann)
Deana Miller (friend of Jerry & Jan Anderson)
Mark Goetschius (brother of A.J. Osterkamp)
Toni Jo Stelpflug (niece of Doris Pergande)
Tiffany Crowe (daughter of Jim & Marion Crowe)
Marlene Lenaburg (sister of Charlotte Tigges)
Joyce Osterkamp (sister-in-law of A.J. Osterkamp)
Connie Telschow (relative of Richard & Kim Weed)
Dan Pergande, Mark Litka, Debra Spear, Richard Weed

For our members who are homebound:

Laverne Ball (Ennoble Manor), Kathryn Moyer (Care Initiatives),
Nancy Clark, Jean Henningsen (Sunnycrest Manor), Judy Pergande,
Doris Pergande, Dusty Colby, Brenda Litka, Anne Prisk (Care Initiatives)

Additional Prayer Requests:

- Lori Ollendick (daughter of Dick & Charlotte Tigges)
- the Walker family
- Jill Adams
- Dominique Jeter
- for the family of James "Jim" Tegeler

**Note: The "additional" section of the prayer list will be cleared at the beginning of each month. If you would like a name to remain on the list into the next month, please contact the church office and we would be happy to continue praying for your intention.*

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Schedule For The Week

3rd Sun of Easter Sat. Apr 22	5:30pm	Worship Service w/Holy Comm.
3rd Sun of Easter Sun. Apr 23	9:00am	Worship Service w/Holy Comm.
	NO	Bible Study
	10:30am	Farewell reception for Riley Sindt
	2:00pm	Recital by Riley Sindt - Hymn sing along
Mon. Apr 24	12:30pm	Golden Age Euchre Club with chicken
Tues. Apr 25		
Wed. Apr 26	8:00am	TOPS
Thur. Apr 27		
Fri. Apr 28		
4th Sun of Easter Sat. Apr 29	5:30pm	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm.
4th Sun of Easter Sun. Apr 30	9:00am	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm.
	10:30am	Bible Study/Sunday School

Anniversaries This Week

27-Jeff & Sheila Zasada

Baptismal Birthdays

22-Brandon Zasada 25-Sandy Hiris 27-Dr. Heyo Tjarks

Birthdays This Week

24-Jacob Hiris 26-Alan Calonder

- **Food Pantry** - For the month of April, we are collecting the following items for the Food Pantry:

<i>Sugar</i>	<i>Brownie Mix</i>	<i>Ramen Noodles</i>	<i>Ketchup</i>
<i>Syrup</i>	<i>Pancake Mix</i>	<i>Liquid Hand Soap</i>	<i>Bath Gel</i>
<i>Rice</i>	<i>Dish Soap</i>	<i>Garden Produce</i>	<i>Lotion</i>

Summer Staff Needed: Looking for a summer job? Get that and more with a summer camp experience at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca in Solon, IA is hiring for male and female camp counselors for the upcoming summer. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to spend your summer serving as a Christian role model for youth from Eastern Iowa and beyond! Employment begins May 30 and ends August 4. All summer staff go through training in early June to be fully trained in camp activities and safety, including CRP, AED, and first aid training. Candidates should be at least 18 years old. To get started, head on over the www.nloma.org and complete a summer service profile. Please contact Alec at 319-848-4187 or email programdirector@iodiseca.org if you have any questions or for more information, or check out Camp's website at www.campiodiseca.org.