

The Lutheran Church
of the
Resurrection

Our Mission is “To Open Hearts”
Through the message of Christ Crucified

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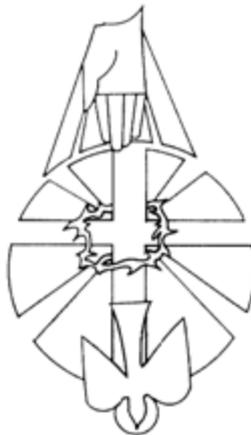
Welcome!

A warm welcome to our guests and visitors! We pray that your spirit would be uplifted and your faith strengthened as we gather together to receive God's Divine Service.

We recognize that little children may not be able to sit patiently through the entire worship service. **There is a 'Cry Room'** just outside the sanctuary where parents may tend to infants during the service. A window and speaker allow parents to continue to follow and participate in the service.

Our Communion practice: This morning, we joyfully celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. We believe that we receive Christ's body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. As we celebrate this sacrament, we also give public confession to our unity in the Christian faith. We therefore invite all communicant members of any congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod to commune. Guests are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. If you would like to receive this sacrament here but are not a member, please speak with the pastor.

Cell Phones: As Lutherans, we believe that God speaks to us through Word and Sacraments. Therefore, please be sure to turn all cell phones off before entering the sanctuary.



+ THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER +

PRELUDE

Prelude & Fugue in A Major J. S. Bach

The Lord Jesus Is with His Church in the Apostolic Ministry of the Gospel

The crucified and risen Lord Jesus is with His Church through the word of His apostles, who “*are witnesses of all that he did.*” He was anointed by God “*with the Holy Spirit and with power,*” and “*he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil,*” and so He was with those whom He sent “*to preach to the people*” (Acts 10:38–42). The Holy Spirit is bestowed on those who hear that apostolic preaching, who are “*baptized in the name of Jesus Christ,*” so that “*everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name*” (Acts 10:43–44, 48). For as He came by the water of His Baptism, even to the blood of His Passion, so the Spirit testifies to the truth with “*the water and the blood*” in the apostolic ministry of the Gospel (1 John 5:6–7). By these means, Christ Jesus speaks to us, that His joy may be in us and that our “*joy may be full.*” For this purpose, He appointed the apostles to “*go and bear fruit*” in order to make known His divine friendship to us (John 15:11, 15–16).

(Stand)

HYMN OF INVOCATION:

#655 LORD, KEEP US STEADFAST IN YOUR WORD

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

+ THE BAPTISM OF JOSIAH BRENDAN WILSON +

(Baptism at 10:45 service only)

LORD'S PRAYER

10:45 service only

- ☩** Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be 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.

APOSTLES' CREED

10:45 service only

- ☩** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

EXHORTATION

LSB 151

- 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.)

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 151

- 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.**

ABSOLUTION

LSB 151

- 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 +

INTROIT



Come and hear, all you who | fear God,*
and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.
Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*
sing the glory of his name; give to him | glorious praise!

Bless our God, O | peoples;*
let the sound of his | praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the | living*
and has not let our | feet slip.

Blessèd | be God,*
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast |
love from me!

Come and hear, all you who | fear God,*
and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.

Glorry be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

KYRIE

LSB 152

- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- 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 mercy.**
- A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34–48

³⁴Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

⁴⁴While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. ⁴⁵And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. ⁴⁶For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, ⁴⁷“Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” ⁴⁸And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 98



¹Oh sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done | marvelous things!*

His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salva- | tion for him.

²The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;*
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

**³He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of | Israel.***

**All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation | of our God.**

**⁴Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;*
break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!**

⁸Let the rivers clap their hands;
let the hills sing for joy together

⁹be- | fore the LORD,*
for he comes to | judge the earth.

He will judge the world with | righteousness,*
and the peoples with | equity.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

EPISTLE

1 John 5:1–8

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him.

²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. ⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there are three that testify:

⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 156

C 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.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:9–17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁹[Jesus said:] “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. ¹⁷These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(Sit)

HYMN OF THE DAY:

#544 O LOVE, HOW DEEP

SERMON

(Stand)

NICENE CREED

8:30 service only

☩ 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
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

(Each petition is concluded with, "Lord, in your mercy." Our response is, "Hear our prayer.")

- (If you would like to submit a prayer request, please use the form provided on the table in the Narthex.)

(Conclusion)

P ...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

ORGAN OFFERTORY

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Thy Word Dietrich Buxtehude

(Stand)

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C And also 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.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 161



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

161

P Blessed are You...To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be 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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Sit)

THE DISTRIBUTION

[Please see the Communion Statement on the first page.]

[Communion Elements: "Gluten-Free" wafers are available upon request. Please talk to Pastor either before the service or at the communion rail if you would like to receive one. The lighter colored wine among the individual cups is de-alcoholized wine in which all the alcohol has been removed.]

DISTRIBUTION HYMN:

#686 COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

(Stand)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN TO DEPART:

#895 NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

POSTLUDE

Praeambulum in F Major Vincent Lübeck

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Announcements!

The Prayers: In your prayers this week, please remember:

Those in need of the Lord's help with physical struggles:

Angie Carlson (multiple sclerosis); Matthew Gaug (son of Peter and Evelyn Gaug - Lou Gehrig's Disease); David Klipp (brother-in-law of Sharon Klipp (recovery from Myasthenia Gravis disease); Jonathan Milhous (nephew of Sharon Conover - autism with seizures); Megan Huesers (diabetes); Eleanor Keefe (problem with her eyes and circulation issue); Al Monray (friend of Krys Paules - leukemia); Alen Rowe (friend of Krys Paules—prostate cancer); Dave Willman (friend of Krys Paules - rare heart disease); Lucille (former co-worker of Krys Paules - alzheimers); Corry Klipp (Sharon's sister-in-law -Alzheimer's); Debbie Knight (cousin of Laverne Pelletier - healing from transverse myelitis); Virgil Tilton (Friend of Moe and Becky Cote - cancer); Natalie Crowley (recovery from broken hip); Melba Larsen (Mark Larsen's mother - recovery from stroke); Don Pryor (recovery from stroke); Brett Lambert (friend of Maira Goldsmith - heart defect); Robert Drageland (brother of Rick Drageland - dementia); Beck Keefe (blood disorder); Andrea (friend of Keefe's - cancer); Allen Treadwell (Michelle Hein's father - cancer); Donna Treadwell (Michelle Hein's step-mother - dementia); Russ Morris (David Morris' father - recovery from illness); Peter Doran (recovery from heart problems); Lois Doran (recovery from cancer); Joan Drageland (recovery from illness); Angela Gibbs (friend of Tom and Katie Huesers - recovery from stroke); Abigail Quinlivan (daughter of co-worker of Chris Batson - Leukemia); Melinda Penner (friend of Charlie MacPherson - recovery from head injury); Vicky Lesmerises (friend of Krys Paules - cancer); Cathy York (friend of Jenifer MacPherson—cancer); Nathanael Batson (successful treatments for tumors); Warren Waltz (friend of Jenifer MacPherson - colon cancer); Becky Cote (successful treatment for heart disease); Mo Cote (cancer treatment); Aubri Brooks (friend of Maira Goldsmith – eye disease); Gail Carrano (recovery from surgery); Geraldine Abinader (sister of Joan Drageland - dementia); Corina Wilson (recovery from pregnancy); Lucia Wilson (healing and upcoming testing); Charlie MacPherson (surgery); Bjorg Boschen (surgery); Rev. Ingo Dutzmann (pulmonaryfibrosis).

Those in need of the Lord's help with aging / life struggles:

Joan Nielsen (Mother of pastor Nielsen); Ruth Kennedy (Grandmother of Christine Thomas); James Wright (Father of Becky Cote); Elfie Wright (Stepmother of Becky Cote), Vesta Holt.

The Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Dorothy McAllister.

Worship Schedule

Sundays:

- 8:30am - Worship
- 9:45 - 10:30am - Sunday School
- 10:45am - Worship (live streamed)

Sunday Morning Bible Class & Sunday School

All ages will meet together from 9:45-10:30am in the Sanctuary. We continue our walk through the Old Testament.

Thursday Bible Study

10:30am in room 201

6:00pm via Zoom.

If you would like to be added to the weekly email list for this class, please contact Pastor Akers.

Outdoor Yard Cleanup Volunteers Needed

The Board for Missions is sponsoring a yard cleanup day for a few members of the community who are in need on **Saturday, May 15**. If you are interested in participating, please contact Julie Kohl (592-6593 or jkohl@rsu18.org).

Prayers for Worship

For a selection of prayers for worship, please see the inside front cover of the Lutheran Service Book and/or pages 305-318 in your hymnal.

Devotion During the Distribution

Therefore they are presumptuous, clumsy minds that draw such inferences and conclusions as these: Where there is not the true faith, there also can be no true Baptism. Just as if I would infer: If I do not believe, then Christ is nothing; or thus: If I am not obedient, then father, mother, and government are nothing. Is that a correct conclusion, that whenever any one does not do what he ought, the thing in itself shall be nothing and of no value? My dear, just invert the argument and rather draw this inference: For this very reason Baptism is something and is right, because it has been wrongly received. For if it were not right and true in itself, it could not be misused nor sinned against. The saying is: Abusus non tollit, sed confirmat substantiam, Abuse does not destroy the essence but confirms it. For gold is not the less gold though a harlot wear it in sin and shame. (Martin Luther – Large Catechism)

In The Service Of God's House Today:

Acolyte:	10:45	Andrew Farr
Comm. Assist:	8:30	Brian Watson
	10:45	Dan Callahan
Ushers	8:30	Rick Drageland
	10:45	John Ayotte
Cantor:	8:30	Jared Goldsmith
	10:45	Allison Farr
Greeters	8:30	Sharon Klipp
	10:45	The Callahans & Matt Esculano
Flowers:		Dorothy McAllister
Altar Guild		Kitty Carlson

In The Service Of God's Next Sunday: 5/16/21

Acolyte:	10:45	Evan Farr
Comm. Assist:	8:30	Charlie MacPherson
	10:45	Mark Larsen
Ushers	8:30	Glenn Carlson Sr.
	10:45	Glenn Carlson Jr.
Cantor:	8:30	Sharon Conover
	10:45	Steve Farr
Greeters	8:30	The Dragelands
	10:45	The Batsons
Flowers:		Dorothy McAllister
Altar Guild		Andrea Watson

Daily Lectionary Readings for this Week: *Read the bible every day.*

5/9 Numbers 3:1-48 / Luke 14:25-15:10

5/10 Numbers 8:5-26 / Luke 15:11-32

5/11 Numbers 9:1-23 / Luke 16:1-8

5/12 Numbers 10:11-36 / Luke 16:19-31

5/13 Numbers 11:1-35 / Luke 17:1-19

5/14 Numbers 11:24-12:16 / Luke 17:20-37

5/15 Numbers 13:1-33 / Luke 18:1-17

(Daily lectionary readings taken from LSB #299-304)

Some helpful habits for home devotions:

- *Keep a journal or make a mental note of one thought that you would like to remember from this reading.*
- *Read and discuss the daily reading with a family member or friend.*
- *Choose one verse to commit to memory, reciting it through the day.*
- *Speak to God in prayer about something from the reading that impressed or confused you.*