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May 18, 2025-The Fifth Sunday of Easter

OUR MISSION STATEMENT "Sharing Christ's Love With Everyone"

"Be thoughtful – be silent – be reverent; for this is the house of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another."

SERVING TODAY -9:00 A.M.

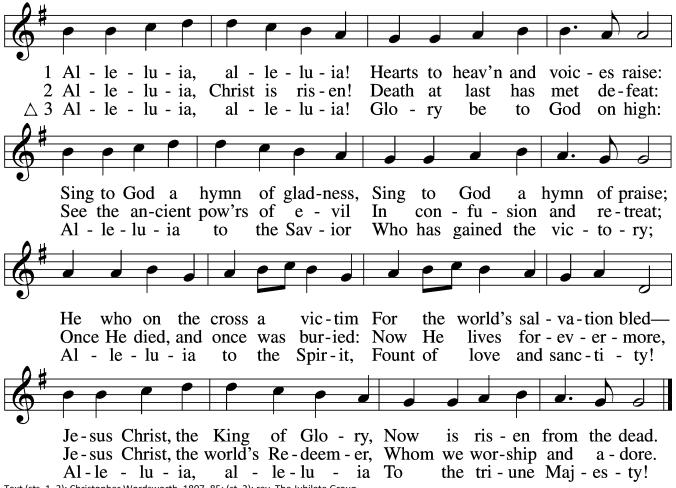
WORSHIP ATTENDANT	Dennis Brewster
ORGAN TECHNICIAN	Laurie Miller
USHERS	Carol Carnine & Jane Brunker
READER	Ginger Ludwig
PREACHER	Pastor Rod McPherson

PLEASE SILENCE ALL PHONES AS GOD TALKS WITH US!

Welcome

Stand

Hymn of Invocation- Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven 477



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Confession and Absolution

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

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

LSB 184

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **and** You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Confession of Sins

LSB 184

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution LSB 185

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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 Psalm 98:2–6; antiphon: v. 1

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

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The LORD has made known his salvation;

he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

He 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.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,

with the lyre and the sound of melody!

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.





Kyrie LSB 168

- **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.
- **G** Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- **G** And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; 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 11:1–18

¹Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, ³"You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." ⁴But Peter began and explained it to them in order: ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ⁶Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. ⁷And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' 9But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' 10This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ¹²And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; 14he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' 15 As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just

as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" ¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Gradualadapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6 Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle

Revelation 21:1-7

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

C Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 16:12-22

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.
- **G** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹²[Jesus said:] "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is

mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

¹⁶"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." ¹⁷So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" 18So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." 19 Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? 20Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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 dow

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 → of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Sermon Hymn- Holy Spirit, Light Divine 496



Chase the shades of night a - way, dark - ness in - to day. Turn the on - ly known to Thee. Show those glo-rious truths to Which are me From sin's bond-age set me free. Thy mer - cy pit - y me, grow and still in-crease. sa-cred, set-tled peace, Let it i - dol throne, Reign su - preme, and reign a - lone. Cast down ev - 'ry

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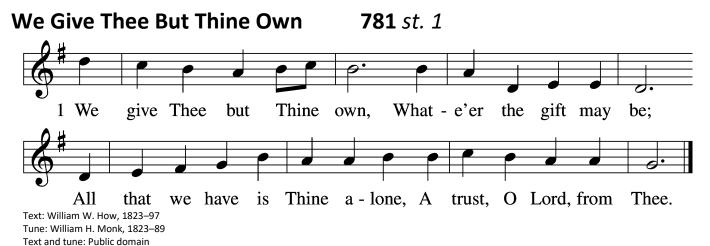
Sermon

Votum

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

Stand

Offering



Prayer of the Church

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For calm hearts and strong faith in the midst of our sorrows, that we who celebrate the resurrection of our Lord would trust in the promise of our own resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For faithful pastors who will teach us God's Word, devoted church workers who will serve us in His name, and those now preparing for church work vocations, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all mothers with child and those with young children, that God would bless them in their trials; and that He would bless His Holy Church, the mother of all the children of God, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

P For our president, our governor, the Congress and legislature, judges and magistrates, and those in the armed forces, that the Lord would guide them to serve according to His will and for the common good of all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those now in tribulation, that God, who will at last banish all sorrow, sin and death, would increase their faith and see them through their trials, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who prepare to receive with faith and thanksgiving Christ's flesh for the life of the world and His blood that cleanses us from sin, that He would unite us to believe and confess one faith and bring us to that day when we shall be one people together at His table, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Sharing of the Peace Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

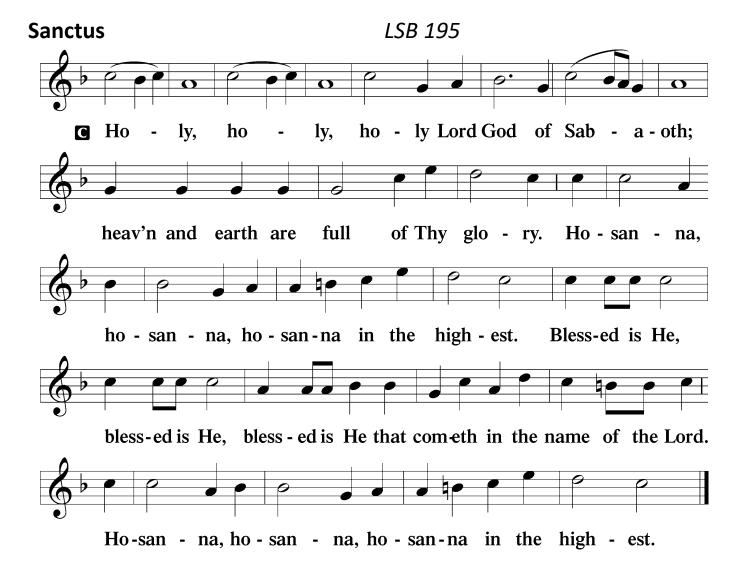
Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194

- P The Lord be with you.
- **G** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer

Glory and honor, praise and thanks be to You, God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for all the mercy and faithfulness You have shown to this congregation. Your Word has not returned to You void, but You have here gathered a people that knows You and fears Your name. Give me Your Holy Spirit that I may at all times see the good things in this congregation and praise and thank You for them. Bless Your Word in times to come that it may preserve the faithful in Your grace, convert those who do not yet belong to You, and bring back the erring and straying. Gather Your people as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and shelter Your

congregation with Your love; for You live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer To Be Sung-LSB 162

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father which 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 debts
 as we forgive our debtors;
 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

LSB 197

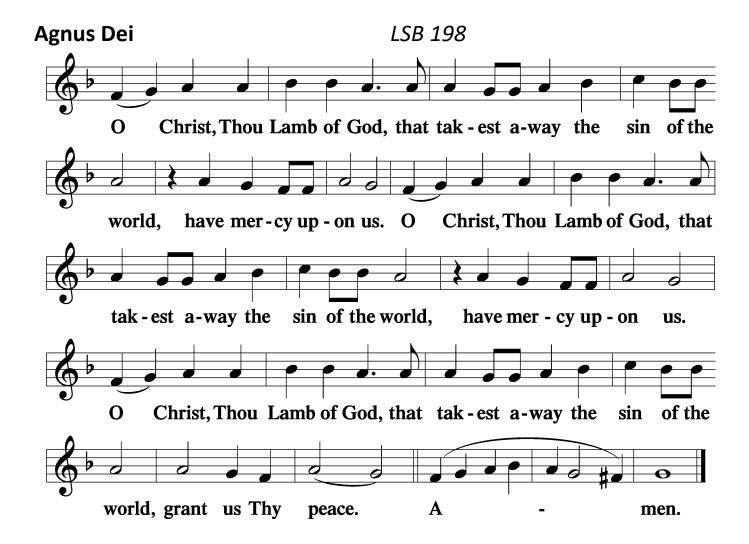
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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."

Pax Domini

LSB 197

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Sit

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

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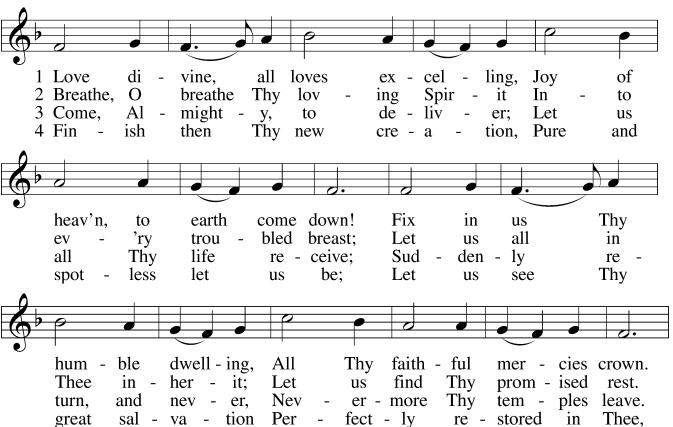
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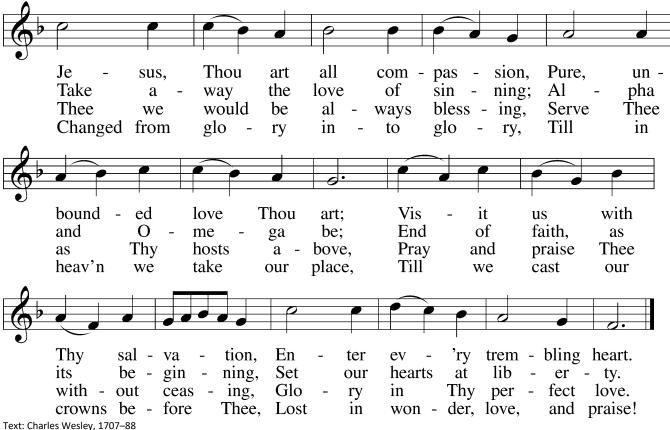
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- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart → in peace.
- C Amen.

Choir Selection

Communion Hymn- Love Divine, All Loves Excelling 700





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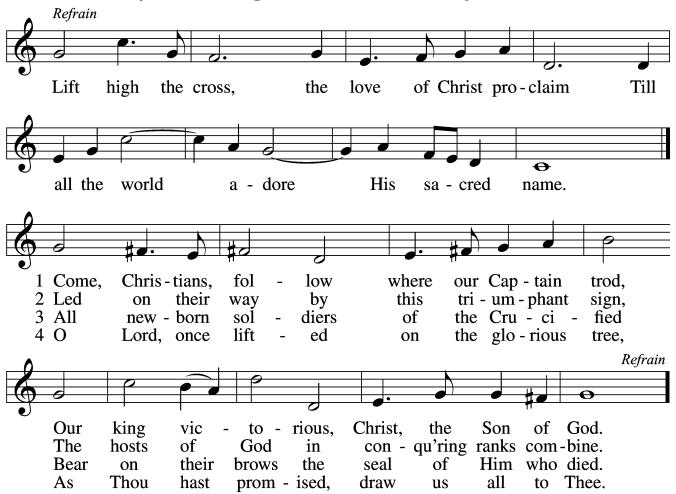
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Communion Hymn- Lift High the Cross837sts. ref-6

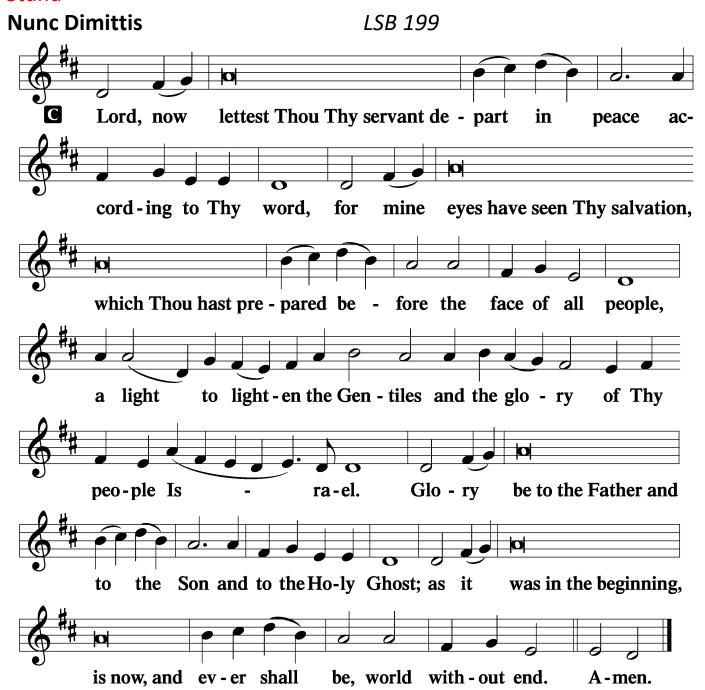


- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain
- 6 So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

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Stand



Thanksgiving

LSB 200

- **A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- **©** and His mercy endureth forever.

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.

Salutation LSB 201

- P The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.

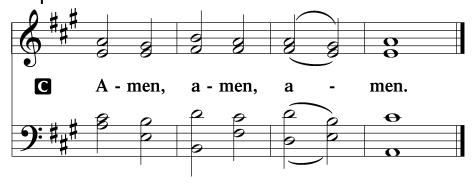
Benedicamus LSB 202

- **A** Bless we the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

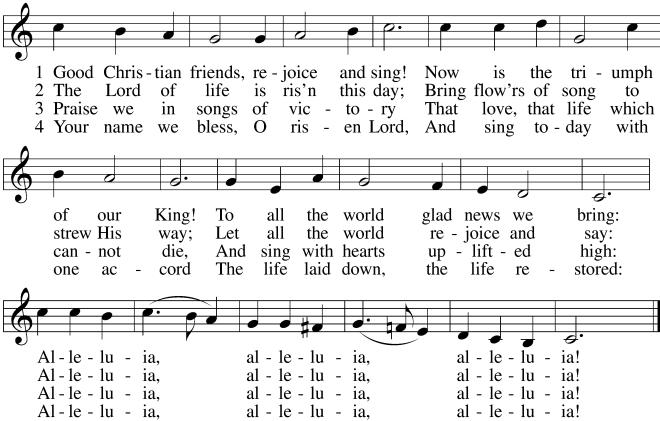
Benediction LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



Closing Hymn- Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing 475



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHUT-IN'S: Please remember our shut-ins with a call or send a card. They love to hear from you, and it makes their day!

Nancy Fredericks, Margaret Fran Goble, Marbeth Dickman, Arlene Reed, **OFFICE HOURS:** The Church office is open from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on Monday, May 26th in observance of Memorial Day.

VISITORS: If you would like to know about the Lutheran Church and Redeemer specifically, or if you are interested in becoming a member of Redeemer, please speak with Pastor Steve either in person, on the phone at 702-371-2167, or via email at pastorcluver@yahoo.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Is available for children ages 3 through 10 during Pastor's sermon, with Linda Collier.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Join Bible Adult Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall following worship services.

UPCOMING EVENTS

EXECUTIVE BOARD: Date to be determined.

WOMEN'S PRAYER BRUNCH: Saturday, June 7, at 11:00A.M. in the fellowship hall. Bring your favorite sandwich and join us.

CHOIR PRACTICE SCHEDULE: Choir meets on Thursday's at 5:00 P.M. All are welcome.

2025 CONGREGATIONAL SOCIAL GATHERINGS:

INDEPENDENCE DAY POTLUCK: July 6th

OCTOBERFEST: October 5th

FALL SOUP FEST: November 23rd

SCHEDULES

PREACHING SCHEDULE:

May 18 Pastor Rod

May 25 Pastor Steve

June 1 Pastor Steve

June 8 Pastor Steve

June 15 Pastor Rod

June 22 Pastor Steve

June 29 Pastor Steve

ELDER DUTY SCHEDULE:

May 18 Dennis Brewster

May 25 Paul Guss

June 1 Steve Richards

June 8 Mike Miller

June 15 Dennis Brewster

June 22 Paul Guss

June 29 Steve Richards

USHER SCHEDULE: Please contact Donna Hansen if you are interested in ushering.

May 18 Carol Carnine & Jane Brunker

May 25 Brenda Baker & Mike Miller

June 1 Robin Glover & Gerald Pistole

June 8 Steve & Lynda Richards

June 15 Carol Carnine & Jane Brunker
June 22 Brenda Baker & Mike Miller
June 29 Robin Glover & Gerald Pistole

READER SCHEDULE: Contact Sue Meyn for schedule changes.

May 18 Ginger Ludwig
May 25 Aaron Swails

June 1 Jane Brunker

June 8 Larry Fosgate

June 15 Lynda Richards

June 22 Mike Miller

June 29 Steve Richards

BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY: For concerns or issues of any kind, please contact one of the listed Elders.

Steve Richards Mike Miller Dennis Brewster Paul Guss

RESOURCES

WORSHIP SERVICES: For live-streaming services, and this week's bulletin or other LCMS resources below, visit

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LUTHERAN WITNESS ARTICLE: The Council of Nicaea, "How the Early Church Sought Unity - With the Help of an Emperor" is available in the narthex. Please pick up a copy to read.

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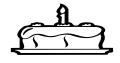
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MISSIONS

May Missions will go to the Women's Resource Medical Center, Baby Bottle Ministry. Thank you for all the mission support you provide.

MANY BLESSINGS TO ALL WHO HAVE A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK!!



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Brenda Baker	May 8
Cindy Brewster	May 15
Diana Cole	May 19
Bryan Cole	May 20
Desma Aleman	May 22
Linda VonDran	May 28

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING STATISTICS

Worship Attendance, May 11, 2025: 41

2025 Average Sunday Attendance-Year to Date: 45

OFFERINGS

Received-May 11, 2025 \$575.47

May's Actual to date: \$2,920.47

May's Goal: \$5,226.88

2025 Received to date: \$35,868.67

Annual Goal: \$67,949.44

MISSIONS

Received-April: \$383.00

2025 Year to Date: \$927.72