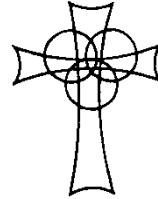


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## Sixth Sunday of **EASTER**

*Mother's Day  
May 9, 2021*

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!!**

***Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!***

We are glad that you are joining us for worship today. We are an “Easter People.” As such, we celebrate Christ’s victory over sin and death not only one Sunday of the Year, but every Sunday! Jesus Christ is worshipped among us here as the Living Lord and He is seen alive as He comes to us through His Word and the Sacraments. We pray that you will see and meet the same Lord Jesus as you worship with us today.

**A PRAYER AS WE GATHER**

O God, You have prepared for those who love You joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for You that, loving You above all things, we may obtain Your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



**The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament  
in the Season of Easter**

*From Divine Service, Setting One  
Lutheran Service Book, Page 151ff*

✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ **The Preparation** ✠

The Music for Meditation

The Prelude

“This Joyful Eastertide”

The Words of Welcome

*The Congregation rises.*

The Opening Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 482*

“This Joyful Eastertide”

**1 This joyful Eastertide  
Away with sin and sorrow!  
My Love, the Crucified,  
Has sprung to life this morrow: *Refrain***

***Refrain:* Had Christ, who once was slain,  
Not burst His three-day prison,  
Our faith had been in vain:  
But now has Christ arisen,  
arisen, arisen;  
But now has Christ arisen!**

**2 Death’s flood has lost its chill  
Since Jesus crossed the river;  
Lover of souls, from ill  
My passing soul deliver: *Refrain***

**3 My flesh in hope shall rest  
And for a season slumber  
Till trump from east to west  
Shall wake the dead in number: *Refrain***

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The Invocation and Easter Acclamation:

*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** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The Confession of Sins and Absolution:

**P** All of us who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ.

**C** **Alleluia!** *from Galatians 3:27*

**P** In Baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. Confessing our sins in penitence and faith, let us receive through Christ's forgiveness new life in Him. *from Romans 6:4*

*Silence is kept for a time of reflection and 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.

### ✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Introit of the Day

*Psalm 66:1-2, 8-9, 20; antiphon: verse 16*

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

**C** **Shout for joy to God, all the earth;  
sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!**

**P** Bless our God, O peoples;  
let the sound of his praise be heard,

**C** **who has kept our soul among the living  
and has not let our feet slip.**

- P** Blessèd be God,  
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!
- C** **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.**
- P** Come and hear, all you who fear God,  
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

The *Kyrie Eleison* Litany:

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** 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.

- P** 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.

- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



- C** A - men.

*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-thy 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*

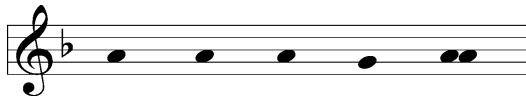
*Final Refrain*

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

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

*Alleluia!*

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



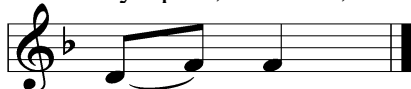
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so 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** A - men.

*The Congregation is seated.*

The First Reading

*Acts 10:34-48*

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality,  
<sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.  
<sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus  
Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea,  
beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how 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. <sup>39</sup>And 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, <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear,  
<sup>41</sup>not 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. <sup>42</sup>And 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. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives  
forgiveness of sins through his name.”

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the  
word. <sup>45</sup>And 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. <sup>46</sup>For  
they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared,  
<sup>47</sup>“Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy  
Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup>And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus  
Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

<sup>1</sup>Everyone 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. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. <sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This 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. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

The Gradual and Alleluia Verse:

*adapted from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6  
Romans 6:9 and John 16:33b*

**P** Christ has risen from the dead.

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

**C** He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;  
he has put all things under his feet.

**P** Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;

**C** death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.

**P** Alleluia. In the world you will have tribulation.

**C** But take heart; I have overcome the world. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

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

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

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

<sup>12</sup>“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>No 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. <sup>16</sup>You 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. <sup>17</sup>These 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.

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*The Congregation is seated.*

The Hymn of the Day

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 845*

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

- 1** Where charity and love prevail  
There God is ever found;  
Brought here together by Christ’s love  
By love are we thus bound.
- 2** With grateful joy and holy fear  
His charity we learn;  
Let us with heart and mind and soul  
Now love Him in return.
- 3** Forgive we now each other’s faults  
As we our faults confess,  
And let us love each other well  
In Christian holiness.
- 4** Let strife among us be unknown;  
Let all contention cease;  
Be God’s the glory that we seek;  
Be ours His holy peace.
- 5** Let us recall that in our midst  
Dwells Christ, His only Son;  
As members of His body joined  
We are in Him made one.
- 6** For love excludes no race or clan  
That names the Savior’s name;  
His family embraces all  
Whose Father is the same.



*The Congregation rises.*

The 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  
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.

The Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray to the God of all grace, that we and all people may know the treasure of His grace for this life and His peace for the life to come.
- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that our hearts may have no room for fear. Deliver us from our enemies and from those who would wrest the Kingdom from us. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** hear our prayer.

- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that we may learn the obedience of faith and be faithful in our various vocations and callings. Help us to live fully the new life imparted to us in our Baptism. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that we may be bold in the proclamation of Jesus Christ. Give us courage that by the faithful confession of the cross, many may be brought to redemption by the power of the Holy Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that we who have heard the Good News of Jesus Christ may respond with faith and thanksgiving. Bless those who proclaim to us the full counsel of God's Word and who steward Your gifts for our blessing. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that we may not return evil for evil but show forth Your mercy, even within the darkness of this world. Make our leaders wise and honest, and lead them in the ways of peace and virtue, here and in every place. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that we may learn to love and care for one another as we have known through those faithful women who have shown to us a mother's love and kindness as mothers, grandmothers, and mother-figures. Make our homes places of blessing and love where Jesus Christ is known and cherished. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that in the sorrow of grief, the pain of illness and the shadow of death, we may be patient in heart and steadfast in hope. Especially we beg You to remember in Your kindness \_\_\_\_\_. Give to the suffering relief, the lonely comfort, and the dying Your peace, in accord with Your gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that even in the hour of death we can rejoice in Your resurrection hope. Comfort all those who mourn (especially \_\_\_\_\_) that we may remember always that for those who are in Christ life is not ended by death but changed into life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that we may always give thanks for all Your benefits to us. We praise you for the good You have given towards \_\_\_\_\_ and all those who have received Your blessings. Help us always and ever to give our praise to You, the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that we who receive the Body and Blood of our Lord today may eat and drink in faith, showing forth in our lives what we have received with our lips, to the praise of Your glory. Lord, in Your mercy:

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that remembering Job, Cyril and Methodius, and the lives of all Your saints who now dwell with You in endless life, we too may be encouraged to follow their example of faith and life, and come when we reach our last hour to share with them in life forever with You. Lord, in Your mercy:

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Make our joy full, O Lord, that we may know the peace of a clear conscience through forgiveness and, with confidence, deliver into Your wisdom and merciful care all the prayers and supplications of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace:

**P** The Risen Christ came and stood among His disciples and said, “Peace be with you.” Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.  
The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

*The Congregation is seated.*

The Blessing of Women on Mother’s Day:

**P** Let us pray.  
Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Creator of heaven and earth.  
We give thanks to You for all the women of faith who have done Your will throughout the ages.  
We thank you for Rebekah, Leah, and Rachel, for Deborah and Esther,  
for Anna and Elizabeth, for Joanna and Susanna, for Lydia, Dorcas, and Phoebe,  
for Mary Magdalene, first witness of the Resurrection,  
and for Mary, the Blessed Mother of Our Lord.  
God of our ancestors in faith, we ask Your blessing upon the faithful women of this congregation, our sisters and friends, our spouses and daughters,  
our grandmothers and mothers.  
Bless them and all women who place their trust in You. Keep them steadfast in Your Word. Look with favor upon their lives in Christ.  
May they wait upon the Lord and renew their strength, soaring up with wings like eagles, running and not growing weary, walking and not becoming faint.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** The blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, descend upon all of our mothers, grandmothers, and mother-figures, and remain with them forever.

**C** **Amen.**

✠ The Service of the Sacrament ✠

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 706

“Love in Christ Is Strong and Living”

- 1 Love in Christ is strong and living,  
Binding faithful hearts in one;  
Love in Christ is true and giving.  
May His will in us be done.
- 2 Love is patient and forbearing,  
Clothed in Christ’s humility,  
Gentle, selfless, kind, and caring,  
Reaching out in charity.
- 3 Love in Christ abides forever,  
Fainting not when ills attend;  
Love, forgiving and forgiven,  
Shall endure until life’s end.

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*The Congregation rises.*

The Preface Dialogue:

**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 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:

The *Sanctus*:

**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.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross.

Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, 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. 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.

The Words of Our Lord:

**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.”

The Proclamation of Christ and the Lord’s Prayer:

**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:

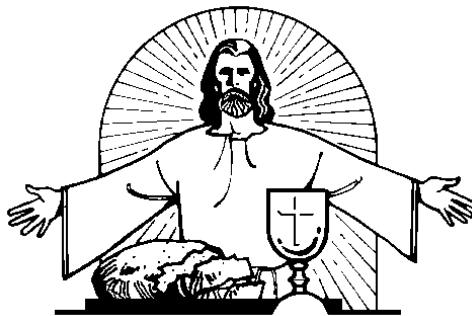
**C** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine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

The *Pax Domini*:

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.



The Agnus Dei:

**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.

*The Congregation is seated.*

The Distribution of Holy Communion:

*Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.*

*Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.*

Music During the Distribution: "Love in Christ Is Strong and Living"

*After all have communed, the Pastor continues:*

The Eucharistic Blessing:

- P** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.
- C** Amen.

*The Congregation rises.*

The Post-Communion Canticle

*Thank the Lord*



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

The Post-Communion Collect:

**P** Let us pray.

We give You thanks, almighty and merciful God, that You have refreshed us with Your Holy Sacrament; and we beseech You to pour upon our hearts the spirit of Your love, and to unite in peace those You have fed with the true Paschal Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

The *Benedicamus* and Benediction:

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

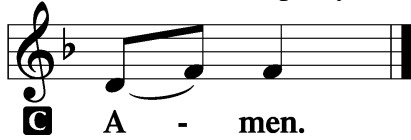
**C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



- 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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.



The Hymn to Depart

*Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 477*

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”

**1 Alleluia, alleluia!**  
 Hearts to heav’n and voices raise:  
 Sing to God a hymn of gladness,  
 Sing to God a hymn of praise;  
 He who on the cross a victim  
 For the world’s salvation bled—  
 Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,  
 Now is risen from the dead.

**2 Alleluia, Christ is risen!**  
 Death at last has met defeat:  
 See the ancient pow’rs of evil  
 In confusion and retreat;  
 Once He died, and once was buried:  
 Now He lives forevermore,  
 Jesus Christ, the world’s Redeemer,  
 Whom we worship and adore.

**△ 3 Alleluia, alleluia!**  
 Glory be to God on high:  
 Alleluia to the Savior  
 Who has gained the victory;  
 Alleluia to the Spirit,  
 Fount of love and sanctity!  
 Alleluia, alleluia  
 To the Triune Majesty!

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”

✘ *To God All Praise and Glory!* ✘

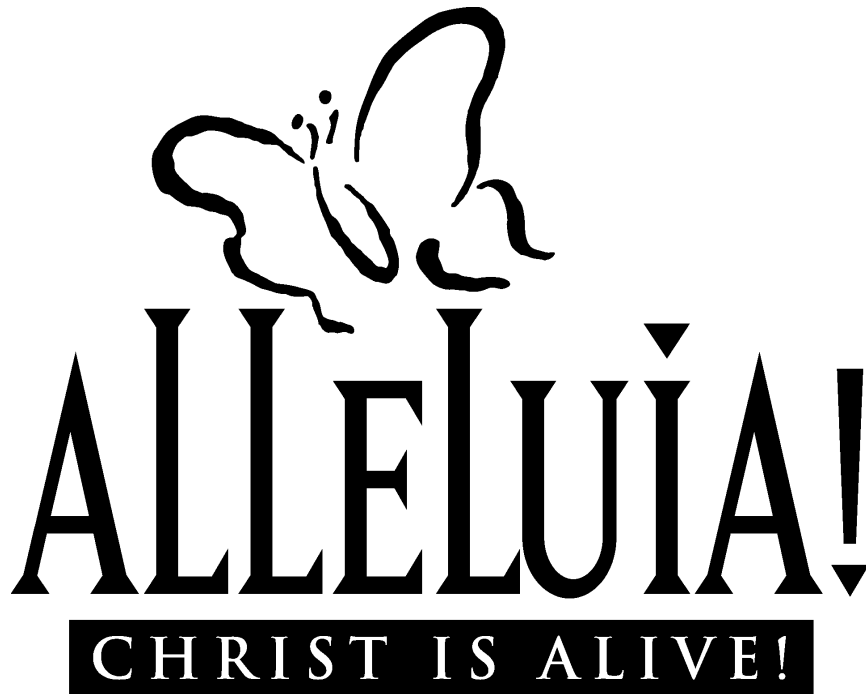
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## NOTES AND NEWS

The flowers on the altar are presented to the Glory of God by Sylvia Royal in honor of the wedding anniversaries of Charles & Michelle McNear and Eric & Abrak Royal.

*A WORD OF THANKS* ... goes out to George Kurtzweil for his help and “green thumb” in planting our Easter Lily plants around the church property for us. We’ll be looking forward to their reappearance next year and enjoy their beauty once more,

*PERSONAL SCRIPTURE STUDY* ... Even though we are not able to hold our Sunday Morning Bible Class at this time doesn’t mean that you can’t continue to be “in the Word” on your own. Pastor has provided parts of our Bible Study guide, “A Longer Look at the Lessons”, for your use. The guide for the Easter Season is now online. These materials are posted on the church website, and can be found at: <http://tlcmr.org/our-ministries/christian-education/online-bible-study-materials/> (The link can also be accessed off of our church website home page.)

*MIDWEEK DEVOTIONS AND BIBLE STUDY* ... During these days of the Easter Season, join Pastor online for a study of the First Epistle of St. Peter. Having spent the Lenten Season in reflecting on Baptism and what it means as it leads us back to God, this study through the Apostle’s words will help us to remember what our Baptized life in Christ looks like and what that life is all about.

Join us **Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 PM**, when Pastor will livestream from Trinity on the church’s Facebook Page. The study will then be available afterward for viewing at anytime by visiting the video archive, also on the church’s Facebook Page. Looking forward to being in the Word together with you!

*THE LUTHERAN HOUR*... A preacher who gets upset when people take his message seriously-- that's the story of Jonah. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday May 9, 2021, for this message by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Seriously?" on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAK 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station’s range you may listen on line to WFAK worldwide at WFAK.com.

*FROM YOUR CHURCH’S PUBLISHER* ... Concordia Publishing House is assisting congregations and their members with materials to help sustain us spiritually during this time of quarantine that many find ourselves in. Please visit [www.cph.org](http://www.cph.org) and check out the new and free content available on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

*OUR PRAYER LIST* ... The weekly “O Christ, Hear Us” page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. In the version of the weekly bulletin that is published online, we only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor continues to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The “full text” version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

*ALTAR FLOWERS* ... The flower chart for 2021 is available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is \$30.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email ([trinity-elc-office@verizon.net](mailto:trinity-elc-office@verizon.net)).

*COMPASSION CENTER NEWS...* Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken;  
Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

*PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...*

The Ascension of Our Lord (Observed), May 16, 2021  
Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1-15-23; Luke 24:44-53  
Sermon Text: John 17:11b-19

HAPPY  
Mother's  
Day

FROM THE



May 9, 2021

Dear Trinity Family,

In addressing you as family, that word embraces the idea for me that as Pastor and People we share our lives together, not only in the “spiritual” realm but also in what some may consider deeply personal moments. We have certainly “been there” for one another; bearing up one another with love in times both good and bad.

Some of you may (or may not) know that when I was born, I arrived into the world with a dislocated hip. I was “put back together” and spent the first couple of years in a half body cast, followed by another year of wearing a brace in which I even learned to walk. My parents were told that the ball of my hip was dead and that I would most likely need to have several hip surgeries through my teen years and into my early twenties. Because of the “active childhood of a young boy”, the ball of my hip was found to have “come back to life”, and the proposed surgeries were not seen to be necessary. The only thing that would be a part of my living would be a right leg slightly shorter than the other, giving me a limp.

Having reached my 50<sup>th</sup> year, it seems like age has caught up with my hip and it has become more and more arthritic, despite my own wanting it not to be (at least in my own mind, while my body has clearly told me otherwise), and some of you have even begun to notice that my walking with a limp has become a bit more pronounced. Finally listening to the advice of my dear wife, Kim, I recently went to see an Orthopedic surgeon at Mercy Hospital in Baltimore, who confirmed pretty much what I already knew and gave me the news which I sort of expected but which I did not want to believe as the solution to my problem—that I need to have a total replacement of my right hip.

So, what does this mean for me and for Trinity? My surgery has been scheduled for June 21<sup>st</sup>. I will be continuing with my “normal duties” until then, getting to celebrate with you all both Father’s Day and my own 24<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary on June 20<sup>th</sup>. The surgeon has told me that the recovery time for a hip replacement is twelve weeks. I have also learned that because of the type of surgery that I am having will require extra physical therapy which will take up six of those weeks. This is also the same amount of time for me to be restricted from driving because of the replaced hip being on my “driving leg”. I have been advised that, while recovery from hip surgery is a process of returning to normal activities, I should consider that, at least, these first six weeks require me to be away from regular pastoral work, including Sunday mornings.

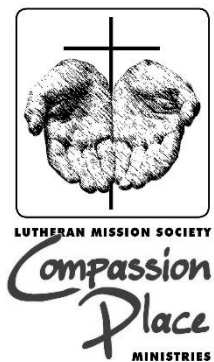
While it pains me (even more than my hip) to be away from Altar and Pulpit and all of you for that length of time, I do know that it is for the best. To that end, I will be making arrangements for this dear flock to be fed with Word and Sacrament on the Sundays I must be away, and to make provision for pastoral care should any emergencies arise during my recovery time. I will be working with the Ministry Planning Group in our best attempt to keep things “normal” during this time. We will keep you all informed of plans for this time as they get finalized, as well as any “changes of plan” as my recovery goes forward.

Knowing that I already have your support and love, I do covet your prayers for myself and for Kim as we go through another “medical journey” together, and prayers also for all of us as a Trinity Family that the Lord will indeed bring us all through this moment.

God’s blessings be with all of us always!

In Christ’s Love,

*+ Pastor*



## **Hyattsville Compassion Center**

*A shared ministry of  
Redeemer & Trinity Congregations  
and the Lutheran Mission Society*

**Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator**  
**Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23**

*We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!*

Our operating hours are:  
**Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM**  
**Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM**  
**Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM**

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment during the center's open hours.  
Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

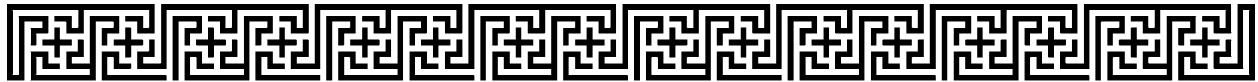
In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time owing to reduced staffing at the center.  
If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center before bringing your items during center hours.

## **Trinity Stay-Safe Rules**

- ❖ If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- ❖ If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- ❖ While in the church building, please wear a mask as much as possible for the sake of your neighbors.
- ❖ Please spread out in church in order to do the recommended distancing (six feet). In addition to the pews in the nave, you may also be seated in the balcony or church overflow. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.
- ❖ Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- ❖ Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- ❖ Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- ❖ Limit your socializing indoors after the service; or better yet, use distanced visiting with one another outside.
- ❖ All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- ❖ Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- ❖ Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

**PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 9 – 16**  
*May Be Subject to Change*

<b>Today</b>	<i>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
<b>Tuesday</b>	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
	4:00 PM	Midweek Devotions and Bible Study (via Facebook Live)
<b>Thursday</b>	9 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<i>The Ascension of Our Lord (Observed)</i>	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live)



**CHURCH STATISTICS**

Sunday, May 2, 2021

Worship Attendance: 19; Communed: 17.





## ✠ O Christ, Hear Us! ✠

### Intercessions for the Week of May 9, 2021

#### Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

*For Members of Our Trinity Family:*

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, Evelyn, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, Sylvia, Angela, Priscilla, and David, Sr.

*For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:*

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty;  
Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Kristie, co-worker of Joyce;  
Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Sue, co-worker of Joyce; Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia;  
Nicole & daughter, Anya, co-worker of Joyce; Alan, cousin of Kim; Danielle, neighbor of Kim;  
Lisa, neighbor of Peter & Kim; Alix, friend of Kim, Dennis & Caron, former Concordia Teachers;  
Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary; Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Joyce, friend of the Peeles;  
Cora, aunt of Tracy; Catelyn, step-graunddaughter of Ernie; Faith & Family, friend of Tracy;  
India, co-worker of Kim

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

#### Thanksgivings and Blessings

Rebecca McCoyer, who celebrates her birthday this week.

Eric & Abrak Royal, Jimmie & Joyce Mayo, and Sam & Judy Welch, who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week.

For our mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures on this Mother's Day

#### We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ For Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland
- ✠ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.
- ✠ For Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- ✠ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✠ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- ✠ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✠ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of the shedding of their blood.
- ✠ Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- ✠ All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.