

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 5, 2024

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

<u>WELCOME TO PEACE!</u> If you are a guest, please fill out the Visitor side of one of the attendance cards found in the pew rack. Let us know if you would like us to contact you. We are happy to have you worshipping with us today!

<u>CHRIST'S BODY AND BLOOD</u>, for the forgiveness of sins, are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar. Due to theological differences among Christians regarding beliefs about this Supper, only confirmed members of an LCMS church are invited to the Lord's table. Ask a pastor if you have questions or concerns. Please register your taking of communion on your attendance card.

P = Pastor * = Stand **C** = Congregation

Opening Voluntary (8:00 and 10:30)

Carillon

George Bizet/Douglas E. Wagner

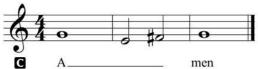


*Invocation

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.



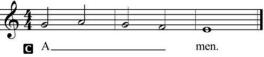
*Opening Sentences

Psalm 146:1-2, 5, 10

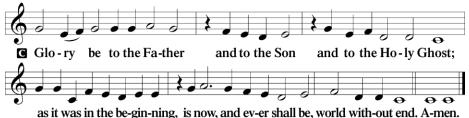
- **P** Praise the LORD!
- C Praise the LORD, O my soul!
- **P** I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
- **C** I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- P Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
- **C** Whose hope is in the LORD his God.
- P The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations.
- **C** Praise the LORD!

*Confession and Absolution

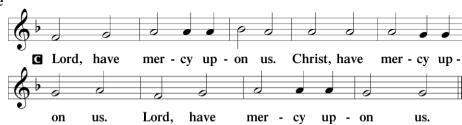
- **P** Let us now confess our sin to God, our merciful Father.
- Gracious God, in heartfelt repentance we admit and confess our sinfulness. Each day we have sinned and done things we ought not have done and have not done that which we are to do as Your servants. We have not seen people in the loving way that You see them. We have not always been ready to care or to help. We do indeed deserve the consequences of our sins in this life and for eternity. Trusting in Your mercy, we come to You for forgiveness. Our trust is in the merits of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Grant us forgiveness of all our sins. Abide with us and lead us into ways that reflect Your goodness and love.
- P God is loving and merciful. His Spirit who calls you to confess also abides with you to remind you of God's love and graciously hears our supplications. By the command of our Lord and as His called and ordained servant, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.



*Gloria Patri



*Kyrie



*Salutation and Collect of the Day





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."

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.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

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.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

*Alleluia



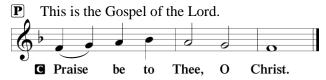
*Holy Gospel John 15:9–17

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



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."



*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 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.

Hymn of The Day

LSB 700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



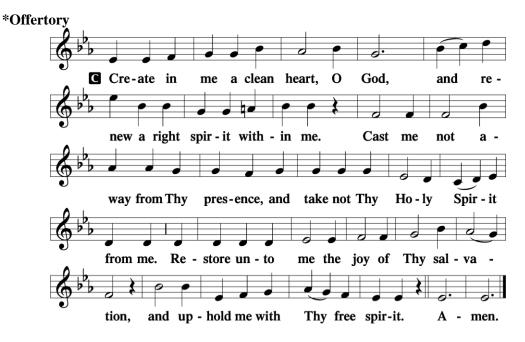
Sermon Notes:

Offertory Anthem (8:00 and 10:30)

Canticle of Hope

Cynthia Dobrinksi

Gathering of the Offering Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate



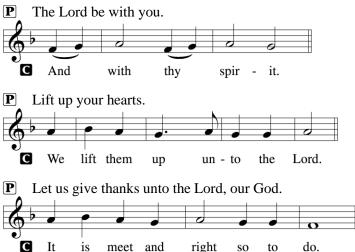
^{*}Prayer of the Church

*Lord's Prayer

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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*Preface



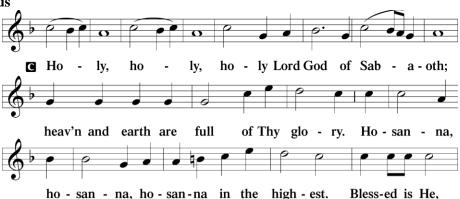
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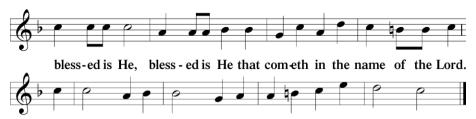
meet and

We should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord. And most especially are we bound to praise You 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 singing:

to







Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

*The Words of Our Lord

*Pax Domini

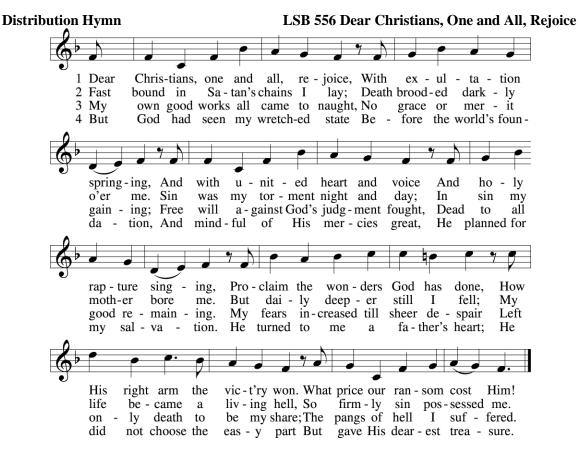
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C A - men.



Aria

The Bells of Peace Alex Arensmeier, soprano saxophone



God said to His belovèd Son: "It's time to have compassion.

Then go, bright jewel of My crown, And bring to all salvation.

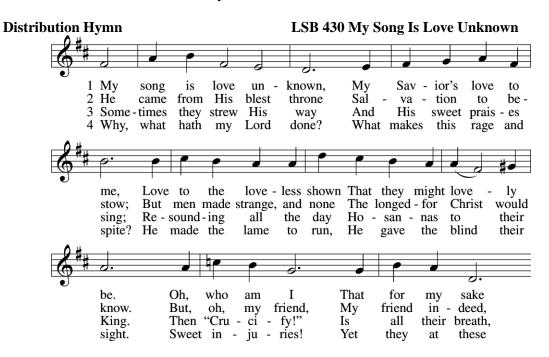
From sin and sorrow set them free; Slay bitter death for them that they May live with You forever."

~Interlude~

6 The Son obeyed His Father's will, Was born of virgin mother; And God's good pleasure to fulfill, He came to be my brother. His royal pow'r disguised He bore; A servant's form, like mine, He wore To lead the devil captive.

- 7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and castle. Your ransom I Myself will be; For you I strive and wrestle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And where I am you may remain; The foe shall not divide us.
- 8 "Though he will shed My precious blood, Me of My life bereaving, All this I suffer for your good; Be steadfast and believing.

 Life will from death the vict'ry win; My innocence shall bear your sin, And you are blest forever.
- 9 "Now to My Father I depart, From earth to heav'n ascending, And, heav'nly wisdom to impart, The Holy Spirit sending; In trouble He will comfort you And teach you always to be true And into truth shall guide you.
- 10 "What I on earth have done and taught Guide all your life and teaching; So shall the kingdom's work be wrought And honored in your preaching. But watch lest foes with base alloy The heav'nly treasure should destroy; This final word I leave you."

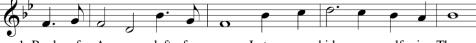




- They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful He To suff'ring goes That He His foes From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home My Lord on earth might have; In death no friendly tomb But what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heav'n was His home But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.
- Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine! Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend!

Distribution Hymn

LSB 761 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



- 1 Rock of A ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my self in Thee;
 2 Not the la bors of my hands Can ful fill Thy Law's de mands:
- 2 Not the la-bors of my hands Can ful-fill Thy Law's de-mands;
- 3 Noth-ing in my hand I bring; Sim ply to Thy cross I cling. 4 While I draw this fleet-ing breath, When mine eye-lids close in death,



Let the wa-ter and the blood, From Thy riv-en side which flowed, Could my zeal no res-pite know, Could my tears for-ev-er flow, Na-ked, come to Thee for dress; Help-less, look to Thee for grace; When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg-ment throne,

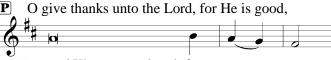


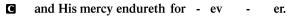
Be of sin the dou-ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r. All for sin could not a-tone; Thou must save, and Thou a-lone. Foul, I to the foun-tain fly; Wash me, Sav-ior, or I die. Rock of A-ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my-self in Thee.





*Thanksgiving







The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir - it.

*Benedicamus

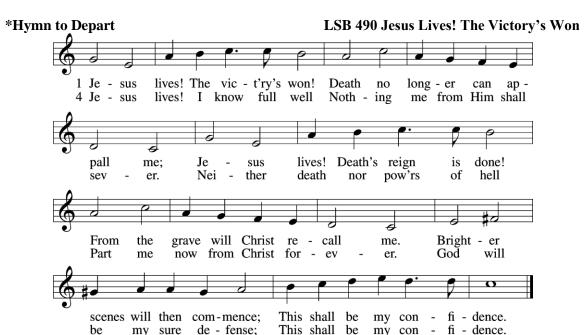


*Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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





*Silent Prayer

Closing Voluntary

Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

SICILIAN MARINERS/Terry Osman

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Jon Furgeson Liturgist: Pastor Robert Brown Organist: Burnell Hackman, DMM

Choir: Bells of Peace

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: M. Thiel/J. Mattingly/L. Palma

Elders: <u>5:00</u>: Art Hoeferlin, Steve Kienstra; <u>8:00</u>: John Hooss, Mark Maloy; 9:20: Alan Hopfer, Kyle Hopfer; 10:30: Erik Lunsford, Bob Wolff

Ushers: 5:00: Bill Petrovic, Jakob Beutelmann, Kevin Beutelmann, Don Hopkins, Jim Huck,

Gary Stinnett; <u>8:00</u>: Joe Sneed, Jon Caron, Dave Dippold, Joe Doskal, Tyler Rainey, Todd Tanner; <u>9:20</u>: John Roesch, Owen Bullard, Joe Roesch, Bill Schlegel, Ed Stackle;

10:30: Mike Murphy, Caleb Mirly, Lynn Oster, Roger Rakers, Matt Thiel,

Bob Uthoff, Rob Uthoff, Ken Werkmeister

Acolytes: 5:00: Ava Gamayo, Ashley Kaul; 8:00: Genevieve Castro, Sofia Palma;

10:30: Ashton DeWitt, Corbin Kurtz

Greeters: <u>8:00</u>: Carol Gibbons; <u>9:20</u>: Bruce & Jane Herzog; <u>10:30</u>: Scott & Lisa Saberton Altar Committee: <u>Saturday</u>: Pauline Dowell; <u>Sunday</u>: Jeanne Hooss and Bonna Mayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASCENSION SERVICE will be held this Thursday, May 9, at 7:00 p.m. with Holy Communion.

<u>INTERESTED IN ONLINE GIVING?</u> Vanco, Peace's online giving provider, allows you to set up one time or recurring gifts to Peace in three simple steps. For more information, see the back of the bulletin.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION ENDS THIS EVENING We are grateful for the many children who will be joining us on our Jungle Journey this summer. Our 4th and 5th grade program is FULL. Registration for 6th grade Adventure Camp and preschool through 3rd grade will be closing tonight at 7:00 p.m., Sunday, May 5. Please keep our VBS in your prayers as preparations continue. Volunteer opportunities are available for both youth and adults. See the sign-up sheet on the counter to see where you can serve. We would love to have your help!

<u>SURVIVING SPOUSES BREAKFAST</u> is this Thursday, May 9, at 9:00 a.m. at the Denny's on Lindbergh.

<u>JOB OPPORTUNITY: EARLY CHILDHOOD</u> is seeking a Preschool Teacher. A job description is on the bulletin board in the Commons. Interested, contact Sue Velten, (314)892-8844.

GREEN PARK IS LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME CHILDCARE WORKER Hours would be Monday through Friday, 3:00-6:00 p.m. Qualifications include a loving and caring personality, patience, and flexibility. Interested candidates should email April Baese, ChildCare Director, at april.baese@greenparklutheranschool.org.

GENTLY USED BOOKS ARE NEEDED for a Book Sale this fall, hosted by Ladies Club as a fundraiser for our church. The collection box is in the Commons. Check your house for books you can donate! If you have a significant number of books and need assistance getting them to church, please call Betty Via to arrange a pickup.

<u>RADA CUTLERY FUNDRAISER</u>, hosted by Peace LWML Ladies Guild, is <u>this weekend</u>, May 4 and 5, before and after each church service in the gym. Rada has the best assortment of knives. Stop and shop to support LWML Ladies Guild!

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION MEETING, for parents and confirmands, will be held in Sanctuary Hall today, Sunday, May 5, immediately following the 10:30 service. This meeting is for the incoming 2024-2025 8th grade students and are in lieu of the summer in-home meetings, due to Pastor Furgeson's sabbatical this summer. Parents and confirmands need only attend one meeting. Thus, if you attended the meeting last Sunday, you do NOT need to attend today's meeting. The meeting will be approximately 30 minutes in length.

 6^{TH} GRADE CONFIRMATION MEETING will be held on Thursday, May 9, at 6:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. This meeting is for the incoming 2024-2025 6^{th} grade students and their parents.

<u>LADIES CLUB MAY EVENT</u> is Tuesday, May 21, 7:00 p.m. Join us as we are collecting items for ladies in shelters that may have had to leave everything behind. Bring your gently used purses and fill them with some toiletries such as toothpaste, toothbrush, floss, deodorant, soap, shampoo, hair products, brush, comb, lotions, etc. If you don't have any purses to donate, just bring some of the items. Don't forget to bring "your" purse for a fun-filled game! Come meet a new friend and enjoy an evening of fellowship and laughter. Ladies Club is a social organization and open to female members of Peace, ages 18 and up. Come check us out!

<u>OUR NEXT VOTERS' ASSEMBLY</u> will be held Monday, May 13, 7:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Packets will be available on the weekend of May 11/12 for review prior to the meeting. All communicant members of Peace are eligible to become voting members and are invited to attend.



SAVE THE DATE FOR CELEBRATE SUMMER! On Saturday, May 25, 6:00 p.m., join us out on the West Parking Lot for free food, games, fellowship, and a wonderful concert featuring Special Guest Tenor Scott Kennebeck. Bring your own lawn chair. In case of rain, activities will be moved into the gym.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 5, 2024

Sunday, May 5: 9:15am – Baptism Class

11:30am – Life Ministry Team

11:45am – 8th Grade Confirmation Meeting

6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play

Monday, May 6: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

Tuesday, May 7: 9:00am – Quilters

9:00am – Plastic Mat Making 9:00am – Refit Exercise Class 6:00pm – Co-Ed Volleyball

Wednesday, May 8: 6:30pm – High School Youth Group

7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Thursday, May 9: 9:00am – Surviving Spouses Breakfast

9:00am – Mary Martha Bible Study

6:00pm – 6th Grade Confirmation Meeting

7:00pm – Ascension Day Service w/Holy Communion

Friday, May 10: 8:00am – Stepping Out in Faith

Sunday, May 12: MOTHER'S DAY

11:30am – Life Ministry Book Club 6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play



Service with Holy Communion Thursday, May 9 7:00 p.m.



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