

SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER
May 5, 2024
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OPENING HYMN *“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”* LSB 556 v 1-5

+ INVOCATION, CONFESSION, AND ABSOLUTION + **LSB 151**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,.

Cong.: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Cong.: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Pastor: Since we are gather to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess bdfore God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinte mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God be merciful to me, a sinner.

Cong.: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins and lead us to everlasting life. Amen

+ INTROIT + **Ps. 66:1-2,8-9,20; antiphon: Ps 66:1-6**

Pastor: Come and hear, all you who fear God,

Cong: And I will tell what he has done for my soul.

Pastor: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

Cong.: sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

Pastor: Bless our God, O peoples;

Cong.: let the sound of his praise be heard,

Pastor: who has kept our soul among the living

Cong.: and has not let our feet slip.

Pastor: Blessed be God,

Cong: because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

Cong.: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will forever. Amen.

+ **KYRIE** +

LSB 152

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Cong.: LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the LORD.

Cong.: LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: 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.

Cong.: LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the LORD.

Cong.: LORD, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious LORD.

Cong.: Amen.

+**HYMN OF PRAISE**+ (sung) *“This is the Feast of Victory”*

LSB 155

Refrain:

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.

Refrain:

2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

Refrain:

3. Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation.

4. Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

Refrain:

5. For the Lamb who was slain
Has begun His reign. Alleluia!

Final Refrain:

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

+ SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY +

Pastor: The LORD be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

Pastor: 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.

Cong.: Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-48

³⁴ So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸ 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. ³⁹ 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, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹ 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. ⁴² 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. ⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.” ⁴⁴ While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. ⁴⁵ 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. ⁴⁶ For 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?” ⁴⁸ And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE

1John 5:1-8

4 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, **5** 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. **2** By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. **3** For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. **4** For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. **5** Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? **6** 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. **7** For there are three that testify: **8** the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

Cong.: Thanks be to God!

+ALLELUIA & VERSE+

LSB 156

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

+ THE HOLY GOSPEL +

John 15:9-17

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 15th chapter.

Cong.: Glory to You, O Lord.

9 As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. **10** 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. **11** These 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. **13** Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. **14** You are my friends if you do what I command you. **15** No longer do I call you servants,^[a] 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. **16** 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. **17** These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the LORD.

Cong.: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN: “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” LSB 556 v 6-10

SERMON

APOSTLES’ CREED

LSB 159

**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.**

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LSB 159

Pastor: Lord in Your mercy.

Cong.: Hear our prayer.

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

Cong.: Amen.

CREATE IN ME

LSB 192

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit
from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and up-hold me
with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER +

LSB 162

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 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. Amen

+THE BENEDICTION+

LSB 166

Cong.: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN

"God Loves Me Dearly"

LSB 392

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.



Rev. Curt Adams

Organist: Lillian Boettcher

Happy Birthday

Rick Bartelt 7th

Karen Hill 9th

Debra Travis 9th

Robert Harvey 11th

Happy Anniversary

Jim & Barbara Pechtel 8th (36 yrs)

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

Sunday, May 5th

8:00 am Divine Service

9:15 am Bible Study

9:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Divine Service

11:30 am Coffee Bites

Monday, May 6th

6:30 pm Grief Share

Tuesday, May 7th

9:00 am Elders Meeting

Wednesday, May 8th

9:00 am Women of Faith

3:30 pm Bible Study

5:00 pm Divine Service

6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday, May 9th

LWML Meeting 10:00 am

Friday, May 10th

Movie Night Pizza 5:30 pm

Movie 6:00 pm

Looking Ahead

May 13th Griefshare 6:30 pm

May 14th Altar Guild Mtg 10:30 am

May 14th Church Council Mtg 6:00
pm

May 17th Lifelight Bible Study 7:00
pm