The Seventh Sunday of Easter June 1, 2025 Rev. Patrick Poock



Jesus Is with Us in His Holy Christian Church

On the night when He was betrayed, Jesus interceded for His Church — for His apostles and all who believe in Him through their word — that all of His disciples "may become perfectly one" in the Father and the Son (John 17:21–23). For Jesus became flesh and dwells among us in order to reveal the Father and His name, to share with us the glory of His righteousness, and to bring us to the Father in Himself. As the Father loved the Son from "before the foundation of the world" (John 17:24), so He loves the whole world (John 17:23, 26). Through the apostolic

witness to the Baptism, cross and resurrection of Jesus (Acts 1:21–22), the Lord gathers His disciples throughout the world "with one accord" as one body in Christ (Acts 1:14). And so with one voice and by one Spirit, His Bride prays, "Come" (Rev. 22:17). And He comes to us. He gives us "the water of life without price" to wash our robes and quench our thirst (Rev. 22:17); He feeds us from "the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit" (Rev. 22:2)

THE DIVINE SERVICE is celebrated each Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am and Wednesday at 5:00 pm. Bible Class is held on Sunday at 9:15 am and Wednesday at 3:30 pm and 6:30 pm.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH is a Christological, Scriptural, Confessional and Liturgical member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. We believe that God has called us to believe, teach and confess that Christ was crucified for our sins and we receive salvation by faith, which is a gift of God through His grace given to us in our baptism, as is revealed in the Holy Bible which is the inspired and inerrant Word of God. In response to His gift of salvation we eagerly desire to do good works out of thanksgiving and praise to the Triune God.

COMMUNION STATEMENT

Because we take the Word of God seriously and we love our visitors, we ask that if you are not a member of Faith Lutheran or another LCMS church, please refrain from taking communion until you have talked with Pastor Poock. In the meantime, we would love to have you participate by coming forward and receiving a blessing.

Communion offers the immense blessing of forgiveness of our sins. However, it can be taken to one's judgment if not properly understood. 1 Cor 11:27,29 says, "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the LORD in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the LORD...For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."

We teach that a person receives the real Body and the real Blood of Jesus Christ "in, with and under the bread and wine." It is not symbolic or merely a spiritual presence.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We rejoice to have you with us today. The liturgy is found in the Lutheran Service Book in the rack in front of you. You may place this bulletin in the back of your hymnal to help you follow along with the order of service. The Propers for the day are printed within the bulletin. Please read the message in this bulletin concerning reception of Holy Communion at our church.

The second quarter of 2025 is designated by Pastor and the Elders for Agape Flights.

Agape Flights is a nonprofit Christian aviation ministry delivering cargo, mail and humanitarian aid to hundreds of mission partners serving in the Caribbean. Mission flights depart weekly from Agape's hangar in Venice, Florida to Haiti, the Bahamas, and the Dominican Republic and deliver humanitarian aid to Cuba as regulations allow. Agape also speeds relief response throughout the Caribbean. Missionaries who live and work in some of the most challenging mission fields in the world depend on Agape's service, stateside connection, and aircraft to transport the immediate provision they need.

Weekly Memory Verse Psalm 56:3

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

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5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord, And be our future great reward. Alleluia. alleluia! Then, throned with You forever, we Shall praise Your name eternally. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

 $\wedge 6$ O risen Christ, ascended Lord, All praise to You let earth accord: Alleluia, alleluia! You are, while endless ages run, With Father and with Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Text: Bede, 673-735; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978, alt. Tune: Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1623, Köln Text: © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110000820 Tune: Public domain

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

INVOCATION

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

С Amen.

EXHORTATION

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- С But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- С 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

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we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

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P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 61:3, 5–8; antiphon: v. 1

Pastor: Hear my cry, O God,

Cong: listen to my prayer;

Pastor: for you have been my refuge,

Cong: a strong tower against the enemy.

Pastor: For you, O God, have heard my vows;

Cong: you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.

Pastor: Prolong the life of the king;

Cong: may his years endure to all generations!

Pastor: May he be enthroned forever before God;

Cong: appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him!

Pastor: So will I ever sing praises to your name,

Cong: as I perform my vows day after day.

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.

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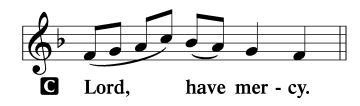
P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



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.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



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







SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



FIRST READING

Acts 1:12–26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office."

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Revelation 22:1–20

¹Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. ³No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. ⁴They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

⁶And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place."

⁷"And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

⁸I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, ⁹but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God."

¹⁰And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. ¹¹Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy."

¹²"Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. ¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁵Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

¹⁶"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

¹⁷The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

¹⁸I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, ¹⁹and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

²⁰He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P This is the Word of the Lord.





GOSPEL

John 17:20-26

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



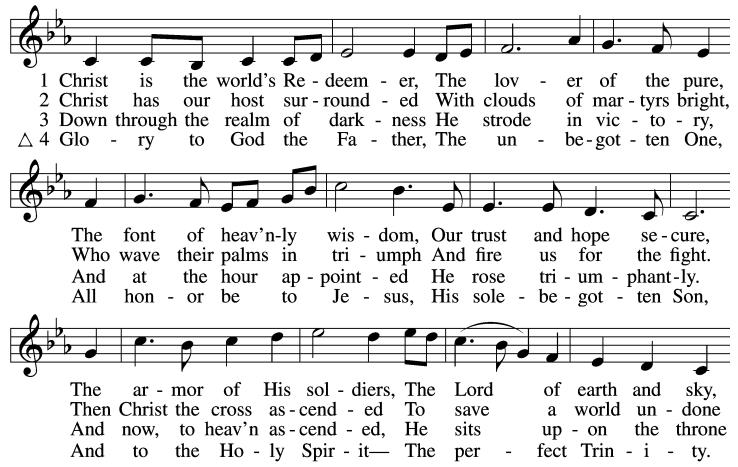
²⁰[Jesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have

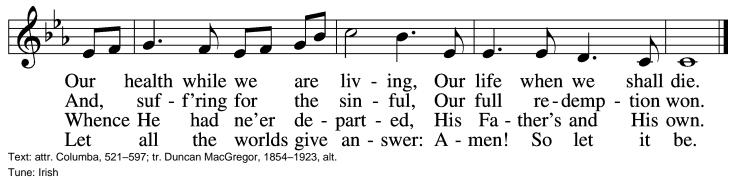
given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

C 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

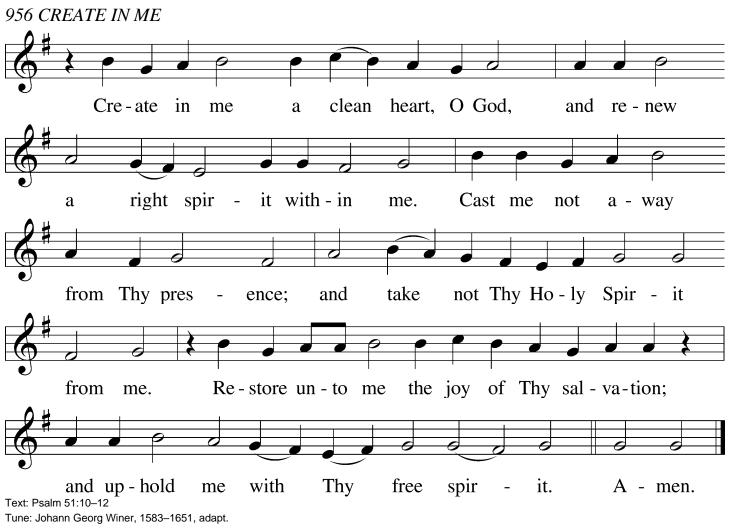
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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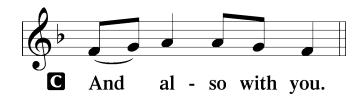
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+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

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P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



LORD'S PRAYER

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- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- **C** Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

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

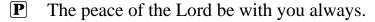
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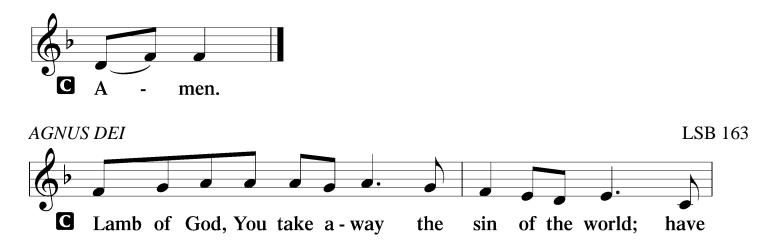
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

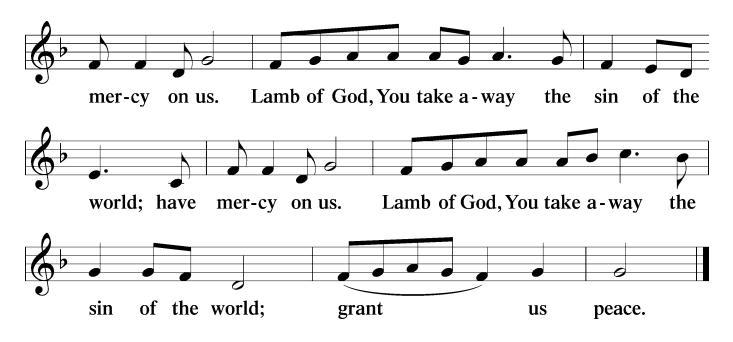
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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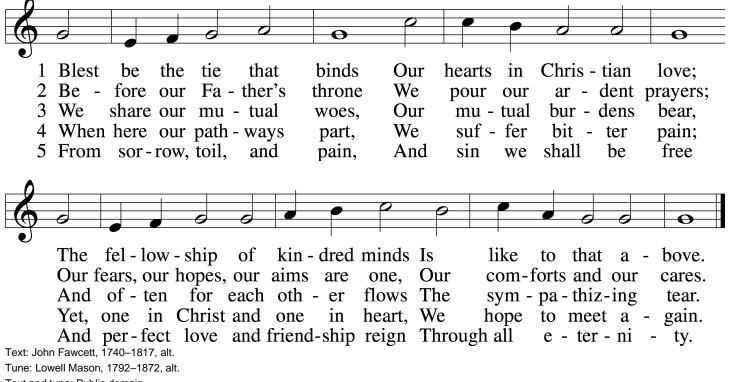






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- 5 O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined
 May not about this sacrament
 Raise doubt within my mind.
- 6 Oh, may I never fail

To thank You day and night

For Your true body and true blood,

O God, my peace and light.

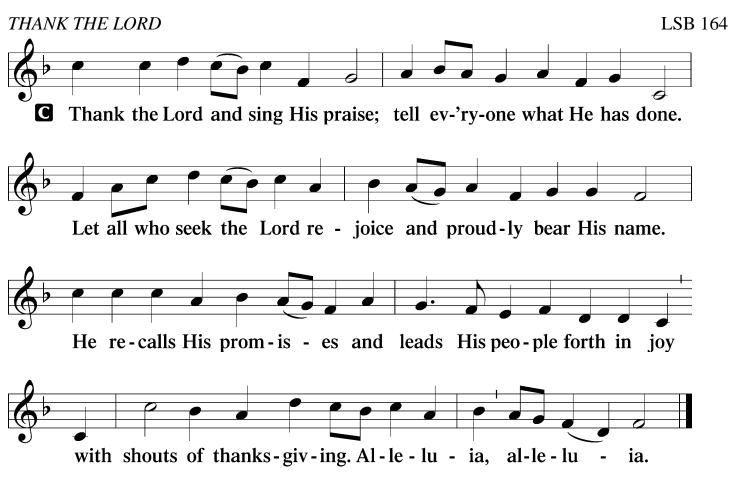
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650 HOLY SPIRIT, EVER DWELLING





473 OUR PASCHAL LAMB, THAT SETS US FREE sets us free, Is 1 Our Pas - chal Lamb, that sac - ri - ficed. O keep 2 Let all our lives now cel - e - brate The feast; let mal - ice die. nan - i - mous, Con - fess Him 3 Let all our deeds, u our Lord as free-dom gal - lant - ly; Let al - le - lu - ias leap: The feast of love grow strong a - new, and great, Let truth stamp out Let the lie. Spir - it lives in us, The Fa - ther's liv - ing Word. by the Who Refrain Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!Al - le lu - ia! -A -Sing al - le - lu - ia, cry a-loud: Al-le - lu - ia! A - men! gain



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The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.





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Rev. Patrick Poock Organist: Lillian Boettcher

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

Happy Birthday

Renee Kaczmarek 1st Ray Gilbert 2nd Mildred Edney 3rd Greg Gasper 3rd Verna Barber 5th Steve Yuras 5th Janie Zanella 6th Paul Schander 7th

Happy Anniversary

Blaine & Kay Schmidt 2nd (35 yrs) Curt & Toni McCarty 7th (60 yrs)

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

Sunday, June 1st

8:00 am Divine Service
9:15 am Sunday School for all ages
10:30 am Divine Service
11:30 am Coffee Bites

Tuesday, June 3rd

9:15 am Elder Meeting

Wednesday, June 4th

5:00 pm Divine Service 3:30 & 6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday, June 5th

11:30 am LWML lunch at Riviera Dunes Marina

Sunday, June 8th

8:00 am Divine Service9:15 am Sunday School for all ages10:30 am Divine Service11:30 am Coffee Bites

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, June 10th Church Council Meeting 6:00 pm Wednesday, June 11th NO Bible Study Wednesday, June 11th Divine Service 5:00 pm