

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Confirmation Service



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"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" Psalm 122:1



Lord of Love Lutheran Church

May 22, 2022

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING HYMN (CW 369) **Beautiful Savior** ti - ful Say - ior, Beau -King of cre a - tion, Fair the mead - ows. Fair wood - lands, are are the the 3 Fair the sun - shine. Fair is is moon - light, na - tions. 4 Beau ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the Son of God and Son of Man! Robed in flow'rs of bloom spring; ing Bright high; the kling stars spar on Son Son of God and of Man! Tru ľd ly Tru ly ľď love thee, serve thee, fair Je sus is er, Je sus is pur er; sus shines pur sus shines bright - er, Je er, Glo Praise. ad - o and hon ry or, ra 0 Light of Crown. my soul, my Joy, my He r'wing makes our it sing. sor spir Than all the the sky. an gels in Now and for ev er - more be thine!

Text: Münsterisch Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677, abr.; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904. Tune: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU (557 558) Silesian folk tune, 19th century, alt.

STAND

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

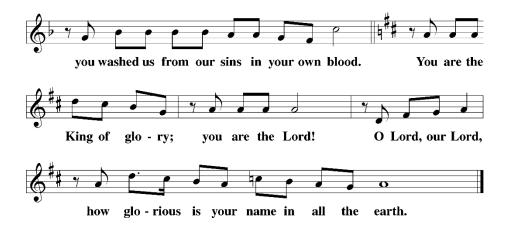


M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Father of lights, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Inspire us to think those things that are true and long for those things that are good, that we may always make our petitions according to your gracious will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Acts 14:8-22

⁸ In Lystra there was a man who was sitting down because he had no strength in his feet. He had never walked because he was lame from birth. ⁹ When he was listening to Paul as he was speaking, Paul looked at him closely and saw that he had faith to be healed. ¹⁰ Paul said in a loud voice, "Stand up on your feet!" And the man jumped up and began to walk.

¹¹ When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they raised their voices, saying in the Lycaonian language, "The gods have come down to us in human form." ¹² Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul they called Hermes, because he was the main speaker. ¹³ The priest of Zeus, whose temple was just outside the city, brought bulls and garlands to the city gates, because he wanted to offer sacrifices along with the crowds.

¹⁴ But when the apostles Paul and Barnabas heard about this, they tore their clothes and rushed into the crowd, shouting, ¹⁵ "Men, why are you doing these things? We too are men with the same nature as you. We are preaching the good news to you so that you turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and everything in them. ¹⁶ In past generations he allowed all the nations to go their own ways. ¹⁷ Yet he did not leave himself without testimony of the good he does. He gives you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons. He fills you with food and fills your hearts with gladness." ¹⁸ Even though they said these things, they had a hard time stopping the crowds from sacrificing to them.

¹⁹ Then some Jews came from Antioch and Iconium and persuaded the crowds to stone Paul. When they thought he was dead, they dragged him out of the city. ²⁰ But after the disciples had gathered around him, he stood up and went into the city. The next day, he left with Barnabas for Derbe.

²¹ After they preached the good news in that city and had gathered many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, ²² strengthening the souls of the disciples and

encouraging them to continue in the faith. They told them, "We must go through many troubles on our way to the kingdom of God."

SECOND LESSON Revelation 21:21-27

²¹ The twelve gates are twelve pearls. Each of the gates is made out of one pearl. And the street of the city is pure gold, like transparent glass.

²² I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. ²³ The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, because the glory of God has given it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵ There is no day when its gates will be shut, for there will be no night in that place. ²⁶ They will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it. ²⁷ Nothing that is unclean and no one who does what is detestable or who tells lies will ever enter it, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Alleluia. (John 14:23 cf. NIV)

STAND

GOSPEL LESSON John 16:16-24

¹⁶ "In a little while you are not going to see me anymore, and again in a little while you will see me, because I am going away to the Father."

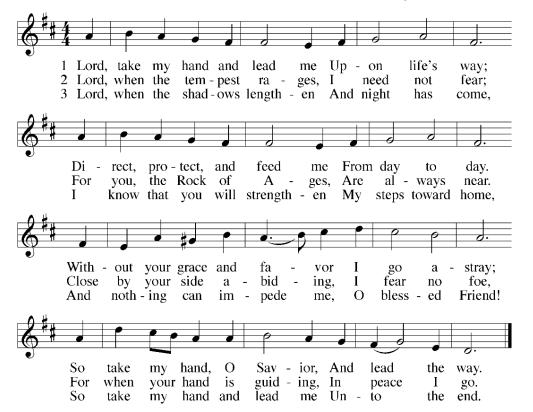
¹⁷ Therefore some of his disciples asked one another, "What does he mean when he tells us, 'In a little while you are not going to see me, and again in a little while you will see me,' and 'Because I am going away to the Father'?" ¹⁸ So they kept asking, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We don't understand what he's saying."

¹⁹ Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, "Are you trying to determine with one another what I meant by saying, 'In a little while you are not going to see me, and again in a little while you will see me'? ²⁰ Amen, Amen, I tell you: You will weep and wail, but the world will rejoice. You will become sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn to joy. ²¹ A woman giving birth has pain, because her time has come. But when she has delivered the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, because of her joy that a person has been born into the world.

²² "So you also have sorrow now. But I will see you again. Your heart will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you. ²³ In that day you will not ask me anything. Amen, Amen, I tell you: Whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give you. ²⁴ Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask, and you will receive, so that your joy may be made complete.

HYMN (CW 439)

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me



Text: Julie K. von Hausmann, 1825–1901; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, Minneapolis, 1978. © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission of Augsburg Fortress. Tune: SO NIMM DENN MEINE HÄNDE (74 74 D) P. Friedrich Silcher, 1789–1860. SERMON Acts 14:21-22

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Confirmation "Full Disclosure"

STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING PLATES BROUGHT FORWARD

RITE OF CONFIRMATION (10:30 a.m.)

CHOIR ANTHEM (10:30 a.m.)

Step by Step

After the choir anthem, the service continues with the service of the Sacrament, p. 13.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (8:00 a.m.)

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

The recorded Service of the Word for members at home concludes here. We continue with the Service of the Sacrament with those gathered in the sanctuary.



THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

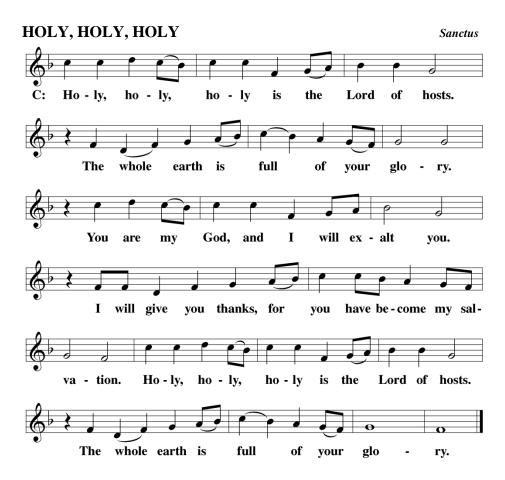


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms and placed all things under his feet for the benefit of the Church.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:



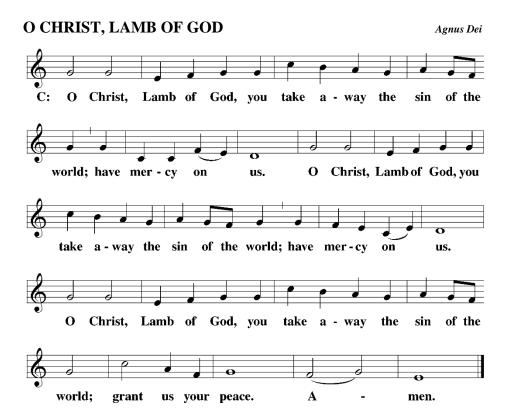
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.





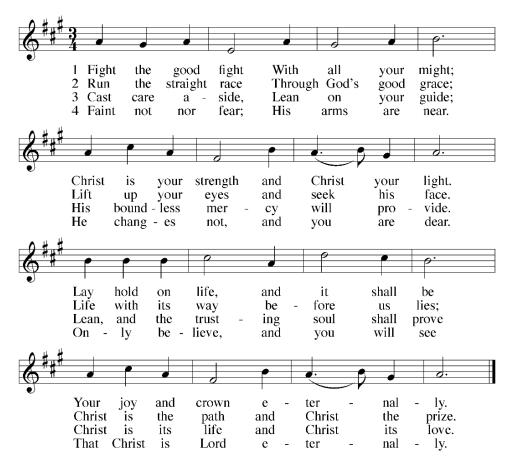
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DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

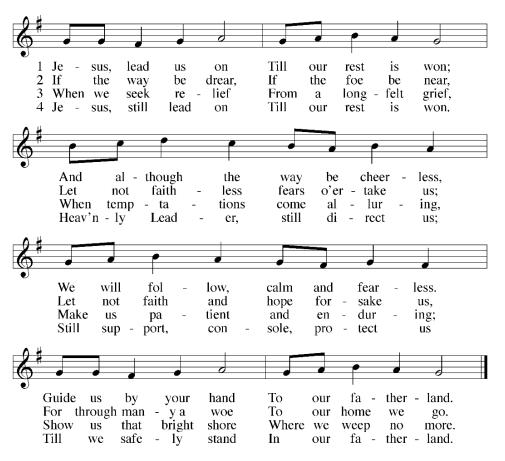
DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 457)

Fight the Good Fight



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Tune: MENDON (448 88) The Methodist Harmonist, New York, 1821.



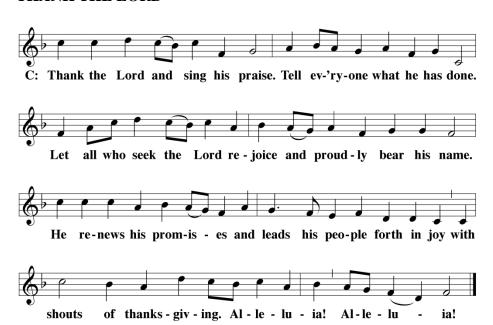
Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, adapt.; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–97, alt. Tune: Seelenbräutigam (55 88 55) Adam Drese, 1620–1701.



THANKSGIVING

STAND

THANK THE LORD



M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



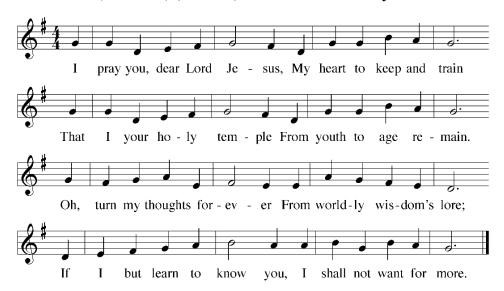
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CLOSING CHOIR ANTHEM (10:30 a.m.)

Go Now in Peace

CLOSING HYMN (8:00 a.m.) (CW 510)

I Pray You Dear Lord Jesus



Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703, abr.; tr. Norman A. Madson, 1886-1962, alt.

Tune: JEG VIL MIG HERREN LOVE (76 76 D) Koral-Melodier, 1801.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.



Gavin Michael Bauer

Do not fear, for I am with you. Do not be overwhelmed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you. Yes, I will help you. I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10

Mackenzie Grace Johnson

I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. John 10:11

Lanna Sophia LaGrange

Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified and do not be overwhelmed, because the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

Vie Ana Lee Miller

I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I am now living in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Galatians 2:20

Ashton Dennis Olson

Do not be afraid, because I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine. Isaiah 43:1

Reagan May Oughton

My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. John 10:27-28

Benjamin Mathew Pluim

Your words are a lamp for my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105

Sunday May 22: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Worship Service at 8:00 with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Last day of Teen Group and Sunday School for the school year

9:45 am: Confirmation class photos, sanctuary

10:30 am: Confirmation Worship Service with Holy Communion

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman: Jim Miller (8:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Sef Fox, Ben Olson and Dave Olson
- Ushers 10:30 am: The Heath Family
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Mike Wilson
- Altar Guild: Candace Saidler

• A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

Sunday May 29: Seventh Sunday of Easter

Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible study

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman/elder: Councilman needed (8:00) and Greg Zeman (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Oughton
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Mike Wilson and Kim Bauer
- Altar Guild: Candace Saidler

• A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Devin Anderson (5/22), Irie Krueger (5/23), Kayden Zech (5/24), Kourtney Zech (5/24), Sef Fox (5/27), Nettie Beyer (5/28), Travis Gilland (5/28) and Bill Kopplin (5/28) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Amy & Travis Ebel (5/22), Jenny & Justin Johnson (5/22), Dave & Jen Olson (5/23), Sally & Wayne Kaalberg (5/25) and Sharon & Steve Kalscheuer (5/26) who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Barb Noltemeyer, Marilyn Richardson, Marge Ripp and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 9:15 am: Ecclesiastes, *Sanctuary* (No study today May 22)

Tuesday 9:00 am: The Risen Christ, Downstairs

Wednesday 6:30 pm: 1 Corinthians, Downstairs

Friday 6:00 am (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45): Romans DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)

Offerings May 8 - 14, 2022:

• General Fund: \$6,744

• Building Expansion Fund: \$75

• Mortgage Reduction Fund: \$10

Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$8,660

plus as of 4/30: - \$20,648

MTD shortage/surplus (5/1 - 5/14): - \$128, YTD shortage/surplus as of 4/30: - \$20,648 (Budget year July 2021 - June 2022)

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(May 8 - 14, 2022: In the totals listed above, \$2,737 was given through Vanco to the general fund and \$75 to the building expansion fund.)

Looking ahead:

- July 21 23: WELS Women's Ministry Conference, Luther Prep, Watertown
- **July 26:** Red Cross Blood Drive at Lord of Love. 12 noon 5:00 pm.