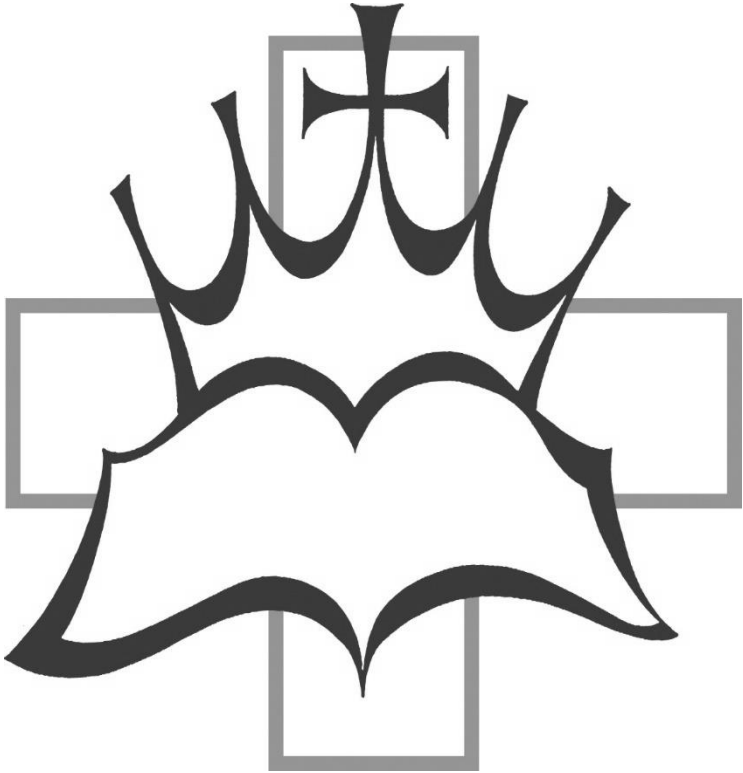


The Lutheran Church of the Savior

A Community of Faith: *Centered in Christ – Called to Serve*



"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." *John 13:34–35*

Order of Worship

May 15, 2022 10:45 AM

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Introit

Psalm 98:1-6

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The LORD has made known his salvation;

he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of

Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,

with the lyre and the sound of melody!

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

If you are a visitor with us this morning and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak with the pastor before the service.

Thank you.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Divine Service

Invocation for the Easter Season

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.

P This is the day the Lord has made;

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Psalm 118:24

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

Matthew 28:19

C Amen.

Opening Song

The Power Of Your Love

Bullock

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus x2

Verse

Lord, I come to You, let my heart be changed, re - newed,
Lord, un-veil my eyes, let me see You, face to face,
— flow - ing from the grace that I've found in
the know-ledge of Your love, as You live in
You;
me; And Lord, I've come to know the weaknesses I
And Lord, re-new my mind, — as Your will un-
see in me — will be stripped a - way
folds in my life, in liv - ing ev - 'ry day
by the pow'r of Your love. _____
by the pow'r of Your love. _____

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Chorus

Hold me close, let Your love surround me,
bring me near, draw me to Your side;
And as I wait I'll rise up like the ea -
gle, and I will soar with You, Your Spir - it leads me
on in the pow'r of Your love.

Prayer of Confession

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**
- P** Lord Jesus Christ, You are the Victor over death and the grave. You have risen from the dead. Yet we face defeat in our sin every day.
- C** **We confess, Lord, that we so easily live only for ourselves. We have neglected to love You with all our heart and soul and mind, and our neighbors as ourselves.**
- P** We cannot do this on our own. We need the power of Your forgiveness.
- C** **Roll away the stone of sin and crush the hardness of our heart.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O Lord, hear us now, as we confess our sins to You.

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 Jesus has carried our sins to His own death. His sacrifice is complete and full – it is finished! The victory is won! 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.**

Psalm

Psalm 148:1–6

Spoken responsively, whole verse by whole verse

¹Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

**²Praise him, all his angels;
praise him, all his hosts!**

³Praise him, sun and moon,
praise him, all you shining stars!

**⁴Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!**

⁵Let them praise the name of the LORD!
For he commanded and they were created.

**⁶And he established them forever and ever;
he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.**

**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.**

Prayer



Song of Praise

Speak, O Lord

Getty, Townend



1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to re -
2. Teach us Lord full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us



ceive the food of Your ho - ly word. Take Your truth, plant it
rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty. Test our thoughts and our
grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths un - changed from the



deep in us; Shape and fash - ion us in Your like - ness, that the
at - ti - tudes in the ra - di - ance of Your pu - ri - ty. Cause our
dawn of time, that will e - cho down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to - day in our acts of love and our
faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic love and au -
grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es; And by faith we'll walk as You



deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us all Your
thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail; Let their
walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the



pur - pos - es, for Your glo - ry.
truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

First Reading

Acts 11:1–18

¹Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, ³“You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them.” ⁴But Peter began and explained it to them in order: ⁵“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ⁶Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. ⁷And I heard a voice saying to me, ‘Rise, Peter; kill and eat.’ ⁸But I said, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ ⁹But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’ ¹⁰This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ¹²And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. ¹³And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.’ ¹⁵As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ ¹⁷If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God’s way?” ¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, “Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



Epistle

Revelation 21:1–7

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

John 13:31–35

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

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

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. ³³Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' ³⁴A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

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.**



Sermon Song They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love *Scholtes*

VERSE



1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are
 2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will
 3. We will work with each oth - er, we will
 4. All___ praise to the Fa - ther, from___



one in the Lord; We are one in the
 walk hand in hand; We will walk with each
 work side by side; We will work with each
 whom all things come; And all praise to Christ



Spir - it, we are one in the Lord. And we
 oth - er, we will walk hand in hand. And to -
 oth - er, we will work side by side. And we'll
 Je - sus, His___ on - ly___ Son. And all



pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re -
 geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our
 guard each man's dig - ni - ty and save___ each man's
 praise to the Spir - it, who___ makes___ us___

CHORUS



stored. And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our
 land.
 pride.
 one.



love, yes they'll know. we are Chris-tians by our love.____

Sermon

"Known By Love"

John 13:31-35



Prayers of the Church Family and the Lord's Prayer

- P** Lord of heaven and earth, in the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus, You have given the promise of our own resurrection. As we await the Last Day, calm our hearts and strengthen our faith through our sorrows.

Response after each petition

- P** Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

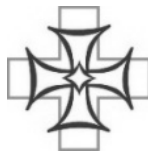
- C** **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who
trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

- P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

- C** **Amen.**



Song Call Upon Your Name (Sing Of Your Love) *Poythress, White*

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus, Bridge, Chorus

VERSE

1. When my heart is heav -
y, when my soul is vexed with shame; When
my mind is bur - dened, I will call up-on Your Name;
When the road I walk is eas - y, when the sun -
shine rules the day, when I feel You close be-side
me, I will call up-on Your Name. I will dwell
CHORUS
in Your tab-er-nac - le, I will hide be-neath Your wings;
On the rock that is high-er than I, I will sing
of Your love, sing of Your love, sing, of Your love
for me. 2. In a world

VERSE

33 that's grow - ing dark - er, where it seems all hope is lost,

36 I will find a light to cling to in the shad -

39 ow of Your cross; 'Cause Your love is nev - er end -

42 ing, and this one truth re - mains; There's sal - va -

45 tion for ev - 'ry - one that calls up-on Your Name.

48 I will dwell I will sing

51 of Your love, sing of Your love, sing of Your love;

54 of Your love. and I will dwell in Your tab - er - nac -

CHORUS

57 le, I will hide be - neath Your wings; On the rock

60 that is high - er than I, I will sing of Your love;

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63

I will dwell in Your tab - er - nac - le, I will hide

66

be - neath Your wings; On the rock that is high - er than I,

69

I will sing of Your love, sing of Your love, sing,

72

of Your love for me.

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Resources for Meditation this Week

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

15 May 2022

Readings

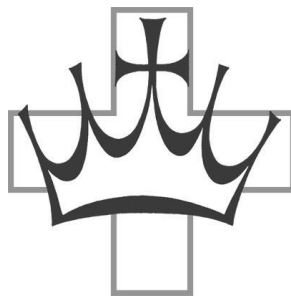
Acts 11:1–18

Revelation 21:1–7

John 16:12–22 or John 13:31–35

Jesus Turns Sorrow into Joy

On earth *“you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy”* (John 16:20). Already the Spirit grants you peace and joy through the forgiveness of your sins. For by the cross of Christ, *“God has granted repentance that leads to life”* (Acts 11:18). His Gospel is *“a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household”* (Acts 11:14). He gives freely *“from the spring of the water of life”* (Rev. 21:6), *“and death shall be no more”* (Rev. 21:4). He dwells with His people, adorning His Church as a bride for her husband, *“making all things new”* (Rev. 21:5). Therefore, as the Son of Man is glorified by His cross, *“and God is glorified in him”* (John 13:31), so He is glorified in us by our *“love for one another”* (John 13:35), which His Spirit works in us by His grace.



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

22 May 2022

Readings

Acts 16:9–15

Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27

John 16:23–33 or John 5:1–9

We Pray to the Father in Jesus' Name

"In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Jesus has opened the way to the Father so that *"whatever you ask of the Father"* in Jesus' name, *"he will give it to you"* (John 16:23). We pray, therefore, in the confidence that we will be heard and answered, that our *"joy may be full"* (John 16:24). We pray because the Gospel has been preached to us and the Lord has opened our hearts to believe the Gospel (Acts 16:10, 14). We pray in the name of Jesus because we have been baptized into Him, as Lydia and her household were baptized (Acts 16:15). We have been healed, and we live and walk and pray in newness of life (John 5:8–9). For we stand upon the firm foundation *"of the twelve apostles of the Lamb"* (Rev. 21:14), and our temple is *"the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb"* (Rev. 21:22).

