



Fifth Sunday of Easter 5/10/20

Lutheran Book of Worship
Holy Communion Setting Two

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GOD GATHERS US IN EVERY PLACE AS HIS HOLY PEOPLE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER PROCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (LBW p. 77) *Matthew 28:19; 1 John 1:8-10*

In remembrance of Baptism, you may sign a cross on chest or forehead.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

We keep silence for self-reflection and contrition.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: "Now Let the Vault of Heaven Resound" LBW Hymn #143

Now let the vault of heav'n re - sound In praise of love that doth a -
 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings, Where - fore our heart with rap - ture
 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set heart and will on things a -
 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And with the heav'n - ly bless - ed
 bound, "Christ hath tri - umphed, Al - le - lu - ia" Sing choirs of an - gels, loud and
 sings, "Christ hath tri - umphed, Je - sus liv - eth!" Now doth he come and give us
 bove That we con - quer through thy tri - umph, Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
 sing: "Christ hath tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther, and our
 clear, Re - peat their song of glo - ry here, "Christ hath tri - umphed, Christ hath
 life, Now doth his pres - ence still all strife Through his tri - umph; Je - sus
 day That by our life we ev - er say, "Christ hath tri - umphed, and he
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly God, Thine the glo - ry, nev - er
 tri - umphed!" Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.
 reign - eth!
 liv - eth!"
 end - ing!

Text: Paul Zeller Strodach, 1876-1947, Tune: Auserlesn catholische geistliche Kirchengesag Kohn 1623, Sola Online Worship eResource

AFFIRMATION OF PURPOSE *Matthew 28:18-20, 22:36-39; Mark 12:30-31*

We are Joy Mission Church, missionary-disciples of Jesus Christ.
We love God, love neighbor, and serve with joy in Jesus' name.

APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 78) *2 Corinthians 13:14*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE ("Lord..." LBW pp. 78-79) *Matthew 9:27, 15:22; Psalm 51:1*



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



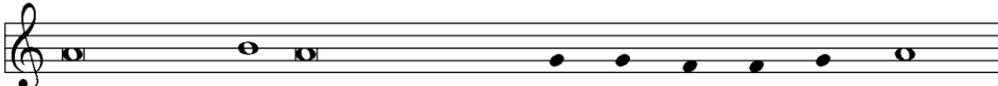
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **G** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW pp. 79-80)



☐ Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



☑ Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

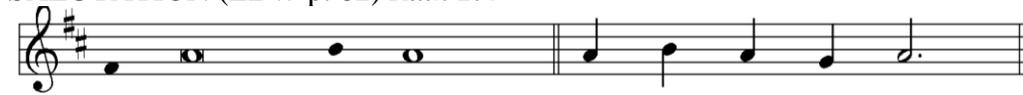


you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men

SALUTATION (LBW p. 82) *Ruth 2:4*



☐ The Lord be with you. ☑ And al-so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together: O God, you make the minds of the faithful to be of one will. Grant that your people would love what you command and desire what you promise, that, among the manifold changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joys are to be found; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

¹Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. ²And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. ³Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. ⁴But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." ⁵And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them. ⁷And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith. ⁸And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. ⁹Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen. ^{2a} And Stephen said: ⁵¹"You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. ⁵²Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, ⁵³you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it." ⁵⁴Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. ⁵⁵But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶And he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." ⁵⁷But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. ⁵⁸Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 146 - *Sung responsively with the cantor.*

¹Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, | O my soul!*

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.

²**Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any | child of earth,*
for there is no | help in them.**

³When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth,*
and in that day | their thoughts perish.

⁴**Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help!***
whose hope is in the | Lord their God;

⁵Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them;*
who keeps his prom- | ise forever;

⁶**Who gives justice to those who | are oppressed,*
and food to | those who hunger.**

⁷The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes | of the blind;*
the Lord lifts up those who | are bowed down;

⁸**The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares | for the stranger;***
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way | of the wicked.

⁹The Lord shall | reign forever,*
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation — ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture: “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” ⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” ⁸and “A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

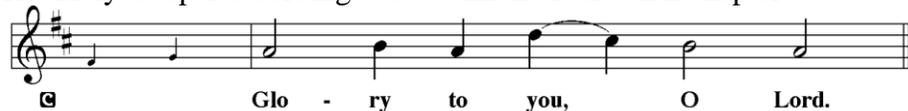
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VERSE (LBW p. 83) *John 6:68*



GOSPEL ANNUNCIATION (LBW p. 83)

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the fourteenth chapter



READING OF THE GOSPEL: John 14:1-14

¹{Jesus said,} “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” ⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves. ¹²Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. ¹³Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

GOSPEL RESPONSE (LBW p. 83)



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

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GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND IN FAITH

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Be Thou My Vision" (WOV Hymn #776)

Be thou my vis - ion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me,
Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er with thee and
Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise, thou mine in - her - i tance,
Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won, may I reach heav - en's joys,
save that thou art; thou my best thought by day and by night,
thou with me Lord. Thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tower.
now and al - ways: thou, and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
O heav - en's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
great God of heav - en, my treas - ure thou art.
still be my vis - ion O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish 8th cent; vs.Eleanor H.Hull 1860-1935; alt; trans. Mary E. Byrne 1880-1931, Tune: Irish Traditional, Sola Online Worship eResources

NICENE CREED (LBW p. 64) *Genesis 1-2; John 3:16; Luke 2; Acts 2*

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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;
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (LBW p. 85)

In the hope of the resurrection,
let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs...

Lord God, we pray for your Church, that you lead and guide us in the coming days and weeks as we begin to plan for gathering together once again. Protect us, give us wisdom, and teach us to see and to share your blessings every day.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for this and every nation of the world. Grant strength and wisdom to all who hold positions of authority and lead them to serve with humility and compassion. We pray also for our military; first responders; and for doctors, nurses, and other healthcare professionals and their families, especially *Katie, Lashell, Lynn, Leigh, & Brittany*.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for those who have not yet heard the gospel of Christ and for those who have heard but do not yet believe. Teach us to forgive, strengthen our faith, and use us to show others the richness of your grace and love.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for all who need your healing, comfort, and peace - for those on our congregational prayer list, especially, *Rick, Debbie, Pastor Brett & family, Cathy, Cole, Dusty, Martha, Bruce, Buddy & Alice, Linda, Jane, Edna, Barbara, Nellie Lee, Harry, Andrea, Steven, Joyce, Kayla, Caitlin & Daniel, Vickie & Amelia, Shelby & June, Dale & family, Lori, our friends at Lakeside, those working extra hours, those suffering from depression and abuse*. We pray healing for *Angela's family, Belinda, & the family of Gladys* and for a full recovery for *Aranda & Pastor Dawn*. We now lift to you aloud or in our hearts, any others for whom you would have us to pray...

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we give you thanks for mothers and for all women who love and care for others. Bless them and give them joy in serving, that through their selfless acts of love, many may see a reflection of your love and be drawn closer to you.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for those who have lost loved ones to death. Comfort them with your peace and fill us all with faith in your promise of everlasting life, that we may ever praise you and proclaim your victory over death.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERING OF PEACE *John 20:19-21*

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

We share the peace of Christ with those in our household and on social media platforms.

OFFERTORY HYMN “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise

him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye

heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost A - men.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

Tune: Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

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THE LORD’S PRAYER (LBW p. 91) *Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4*

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray...

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.

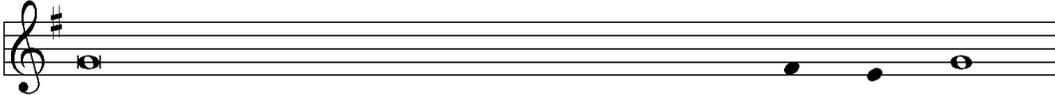
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

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GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE

BLESSING (LBW p. 95) *Numbers 6:24-26*



☐ 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.



A - men

SENDING HYMN: “O Jesus I Have Promised” (LBW Hymn #503)

O — Je - sus, I have prom - ised To serve you — to the
 Oh, — let me feel you near me; The world is — ev - er
 Oh, — let me hear you speak - ing In ac - cents clear and
 O — Je - sus, you have prom - ised To all who fol - low
 end; Re - main for - ev - er near me, My mas - ter — and my
 near. I — see the sights that dazz - le, The tempt - ing — sounds I
 still A - bove the storms of pas - sion, The mur - murs of self -
 you That where you are in glo - ry Your ser - vant shall be
 friend. I shall not fear the bat - tle If you are by my
 hear. My foes are ev - er near me, A - round me and with -
 will. Now speak to re - as - sure me, To has - ten or con -
 too. And Je - sus, I have prom - ised To serve you to the
 side, Nor wan - der from the path - way If you will be my guide.
 in; But, Je - sus then draw near - er To shield my soul from sin.
 trol; Now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
 end; Oh, give me grace to fol - low, My mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, Tune: Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch, 1693, Sola Online Worship eResource

EASTER PROCLAMATION & DISMISSAL (LBW p. 95)
Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!
Go in peace. Share the good news! Thanks be to God!

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WELCOME! We are delighted to have you join us for worship today!

Love God. Love neighbor.
Serve with joy in Jesus' name.

worship + fellowship + discipleship

Who We Are - As a mission congregation of the North American Lutheran Church we hold these four core values to be: **Christ Centered, Mission Driven, Traditionally Grounded, & Congregationally Focused.**



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