

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Divine Service Setting 1

May 17th
9:00am



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2020 Theme: All In – Being Present in an Age of Distraction

The Father Answers Our Prayers Because of Jesus

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you” (John 16:23). To pray in Jesus’ name is to pray as one who has been baptized. For it is in the water that He put His name upon you, claiming you as His own, making you a son of God with access to the Father. By His incarnation and crucifixion, our Lord Jesus broke through the barrier of sin which separated us from God, opening a portal to the Father. To pray in Jesus’ name is to pray with faith in Him as the one Mediator between God and men, who gave Himself a ransom for all (1 Tim. 2:1–6). Like Moses in the wilderness, Jesus is our go-between and intercessor before the throne of heaven. He was lifted up for us on the cross that we might be saved and restored to fellowship with the Father (Num. 21:4–9). Looking into this perfect teaching of liberty (James 1:22–27) we pray with boldness and confidence as dear children of God.

Prayers of the Church

Mourning + Family of Alfred Irmer **Hospice, Surgery, or Hospitalization** + Ruth Albers + Larry Hammond, + Lee Melvin **Expecting** + Katie Blackwell + Sarah Allen (complications) **Thanksgiving** + Josiah Michael (Great-grandchild of Alvin & Doris Reichert) **Health Issues** + Ramona Gaunt + Mary Black + Lisa Hoggins + Mary Keogh + Allen Glathar + Nathaniel Reiners + Dorothy Staub + Harold Blazer + Margret Herbert + Randy Russell **Cancer** + Viola Melvin + Morgan Hanson + Kara Nissen + Kent Cohagan + Barbara Classan + Andy Jacques + Marilyn Houston **Military** + Tyler Mars + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: 5/18 Jennie Theesen 5/19 Susan Patrick, Ryder Hammond, Ivy Nunnenkamp 5/20 Gayle Archer 5/21 Janelle Ham 5/23 Gary Hromadka, Shadon Doell

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: 5/17 Judy Jacobs 5/20 Ashley Augustin 5/21 Brenda Christensen, Betty Krueger 5/22 Khloe Morgan

Readings for Next Sunday: Ezekiel 36: 22-28, 1 Peter 4:7-11 (12-14), John 15:26-16:4

1 This joyful Eastertide
Away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified,
Has sprung to life this morrow: Refrain

ref Had Christ, who once was slain,
Not burst His three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now has Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen;
But now has Christ arisen!

2 Death's flood has lost its chill
Since Jesus crossed the river;
Lover of souls, from ill
My passing soul deliver: Refrain

3 My flesh in hope shall rest
And for a season slumber
Till trump from east to west
Shall wake the dead in number: Refrain

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✠ Service of Preparation ✠

The sign of the cross (✠) may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

C: **Amen.**

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.**

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

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

✕ **Service of the Word** ✕

Introit (*Ps. 66:1-2a, 17, 19-20; antiphon; Is. 48:20b*)



A: [With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alle- | luia.*

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

C: Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*
sing the glory | of his name.

But truly God has | listened;*

he has attended to the voice | of my prayer.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

A: [With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alle- | luia.*

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

Kyrie

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise “This is the Feast”

C: This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

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

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

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.

C: Amen.

(Be Seated)

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle

James 1:22-27

²²But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. ²⁴For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. ²⁵But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. ²⁶If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is **this: to visit orphans** and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

(Please Stand)

Verse of the Day *John 16:28*

Alle- | luia. * Alle- | luia

Christ, who has redeemed us | with His blood,

is risen and has appeared unto us. Alle- | luia.

I came from the Father and have come in- | to the world,

and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.

Alle- | luia

Holy Gospel

John 16:23-30

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

²³[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. ²⁵“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.” ²⁹His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

(Be Seated)

Hymn of the Day (See Insert)

Sermon

P: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C: Amen

(Please Stand)

Nicene Creed

C: 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.

Prayer of the Church

Be seated as the altar is prepared for Holy Communion

Offertory *(Please stand)*

C: What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

**I will take the cup of salvation
and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now
in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

✕ Service of the Sacrament ✕

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary....., evermore praising You
and saying:

Sanctus

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer *spoken in unison*

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

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

C: Amen.

Agnus Dei

**C: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.**

(Be Seated)

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

LSB 621

- 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in His hand
Christ our God to earth descending
Comes our homage to demand.
- 2 King of kings yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture,
In the body and the blood,
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heav'nly food.
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way
As the Light of Light, descending
From the realms of endless day,
Comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish
As the darkness clears away.
- 4 At His feet the six-winged seraph,
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the presence
As with ceaseless voice they cry:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

LSB 702

- 1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine. Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away; O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!
- 2 May Thy rich grace impart, Strength to my fainting heart;
My zeal inspire! As Thou hast died for me,
Oh, may my love to Thee Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire!
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide; Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away, Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.
- 4 When ends life's transient dream, When death's cold, sullen
stream Shall o'er me roll, Blest Savior, then, in love,
Fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul!

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God Loved the World So That He Gave

LSB 571

- 1 God loved the world so that He gave
His only Son the lost to save,
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.
- 2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,
Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All then who trust in Him alone
Are built on this chief cornerstone.

- 3 God would not have the sinner die;
His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
- 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
Forgives all sins which you have done;
And, justified by Jesus' blood,
Your Baptism grants the highest good.
- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.
- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessèd Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!

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After all have communed

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and
preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.
Depart in ✠ peace.

C: Amen

(Please Stand)

Thank the Lord

**C: Thank the Lord and sing His praise;
tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice
and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises
and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving,
Alleluia, alleluia.**

Post-Communion Collect

P: Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood, Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: **Amen**

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

LSB 917

- 1 Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease,
Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.
- 2 Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;
With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day.
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon Thy name.
- 3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light.
From harm and danger keep Thy children free;
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.
- 4 Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life,
Our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife;
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.

Announcements

P: Go in Peace

C: **Thanks be to God!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship and the Directed Health Measures: For those unable to attend church, our worship is made available live stream on Sundays at 9 am on our website, or on demand. They are also available via the public access channel (Spectrum 181) at 2:30 pm on Tuesdays and 8:00 am on Sundays.

Weekday Services of Communion continue to be offered for those who can't make it to Sunday Service. The times are as follows: Monday 5:00 pm; Wednesday at 11 am; and Saturday at 9 am. Sign up for these services using Sign Up Genius. Please sign up only once per week. If you are unable to use a computer, call the church office and we will sign you up.

Bible Class TODAY at 11 AM via Zoom. Let pastor know if you need the link emailed to you.

VOLUNTEERS We have a list of volunteers to prepare meals for the sick and also to shop for those who are unable. If you know of a need or would like to volunteer, please contact the office.

PORTALS of PRAYER & HIGHER THINGS DEVOTIONS available in the Narthex, copies April 12-May 30, 2020.

LIFEQUOTE: “Ascension Day, a holy day falling inconspicuously on a Thursday in May, is the conspicuous declaration that we are not left as orphans. In the same post-resurrection body that He invited Thomas to touch, Jesus invites us to full humanity even today. He ascended with a body, He shares in our humanity, extending His own body even now, promising to return for our own bodies. Christ is preparing a room for us, and we can know it is real because He himself is real.” *Jill Carattini, Ravi Zacharias International Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org

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Heartland Lutheran High School's Red and Blue annual fundraiser has been moved online!

Items have been posted and are currently available for bidding at <https://qtogo.net/qlink/heartlandlutheranhs>. On May 23 at 7:00 p.m. the live auction and raffle drawing will be held with the opportunity to make a donation at the end. On May 24 at 3:00 p.m. the silent auction will end. We ask for your generous support in bidding on these items that have been graciously donated by individual and business supporters of HLHS. Thank you!

766 Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

- 1 Our Father, who from heav'n above
Bids all of us to live in love
 As members of one family
 And pray to You in unity,
Teach us no thoughtless words to say
But from our inmost hearts to pray.

- 2 Your name be hallowed. Help us, Lord,
In purity to keep Your Word,
 That to the glory of Your name
 We walk before You free from blame.
Let no false teaching us pervert;
All poor deluded souls convert.

- 3 Your kingdom come. Guard Your domain
And Your eternal righteous reign.
 The Holy Ghost enrich our day
 With gifts attendant on our way.
Break Satan's pow'r, defeat his rage;
Preserve Your Church from age to age.

- 4 Your gracious will on earth be done
As it is done before Your throne,
 That patiently we may obey
 Throughout our lives all that You say.
Curb flesh and blood and ev'ry ill
That sets itself against Your will.

- 5 Give us this day our daily bread,
And let us all be clothed and fed.
 Save us from hardship, war, and strife;
 In plague and famine, spare our life,
That we in honest peace may live,
To care and greed no entrance give.

- 6 Forgive our sins, Lord, we implore,
That they may trouble us no more;
We, too, will gladly those forgive
Who hurt us by the way they live.
Help us in our community
To serve each other willingly.
- 7 Lead not into temptation, Lord,
Where our grim foe and all his horde
Would vex our souls on ev'ry hand.
Help us resist, help us to stand
Firm in the faith, a mighty host,
Through comfort of the Holy Ghost.
- 8 From evil, Lord, deliver us;
The times and days are perilous.
Redeem us from eternal death,
And, when we yield our dying breath,
Console us, grant us calm release,
And take our souls to You in peace.
- 9 Amen, that is, so shall it be.
Make strong our faith in You, that we
May doubt not but with trust believe
That what we ask we shall receive.
Thus in Your name and at Your Word
We say, "Amen, O hear us, Lord!"

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