

5th Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

WELCOME. Dear Guest! We are happy to have you join us for worship today. May the Lord speak to your heart and supply help for your life as we listen to God's Word. Please sign the Guest Book in the narthex or fill out a Welcome Card to place in the offering boxes and come back soon!

PRAYER AS WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP: Inside front cover of LSB

Offering - Please place in offering boxes located by sanctuary doors.

Pre-service Hand Bell Music “Pearly Gates” (Wagner)

Welcome and Announcements

Hand Bell Prelude “My Lord What A Morning” (Spiritual/Behnke)

702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Stand

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 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.

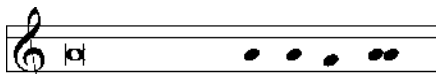
Introit (sung by the Cantor)

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

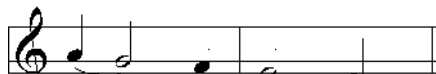
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.

The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;*
 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!
C **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.
 Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!*
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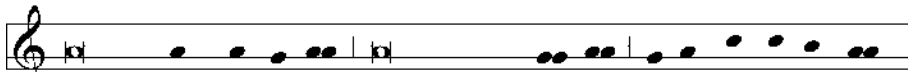
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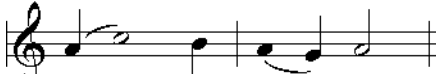
A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



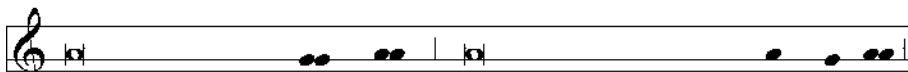
C Lord, have mer - cy.



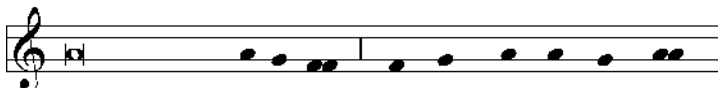
A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



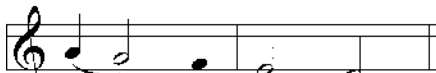
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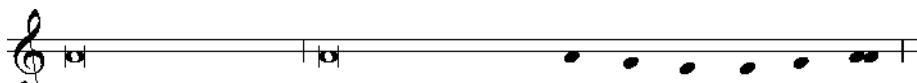
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



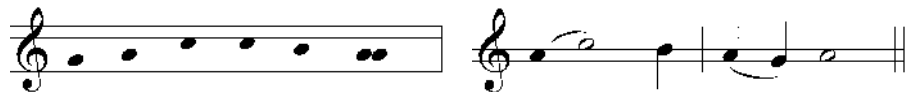
and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

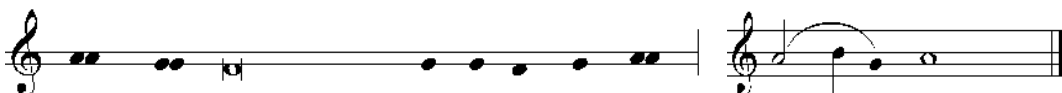


A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



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.

This Is the Feast



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



G Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

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. ⁷ [*continued next page*]

And I heard a voice saying to me, ‘Rise, Peter; kill and eat.’⁸ But I said, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’⁹ But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’¹⁰ This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven.¹¹ And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea.¹² And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house.¹³ And 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.’¹⁵ As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning.¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’¹⁷ If 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?”¹⁸ When 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.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual (sung by the Cantor)

Christ has risen | from the dead.*

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor.

He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;*

he has put all things un- | der his feet.

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.² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.³ And 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.⁴ He 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.”⁶ And 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.⁷ The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand
Alleluia



■ Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

■ **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.** (*sung as printed above*)

Cantor: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Alleluia.

■ **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.** (*sung as printed above*)

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.**

Sit

848 Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

Sermon

60th Anniversary of Holy Matrimony

Solo (8:30)

“The Gift of Love”

(Engilsh Folk/Hopson)

[Soloist: Ryan Stites]

Stand

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 \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

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 good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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

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 a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of
God, You take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Sit

Distribution

(8:30)

644 The Church's One Foundation

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

(11:00) Choir

“Thy Will Be Done”

(Eilers)

[Soloist: Dave Ahlman]

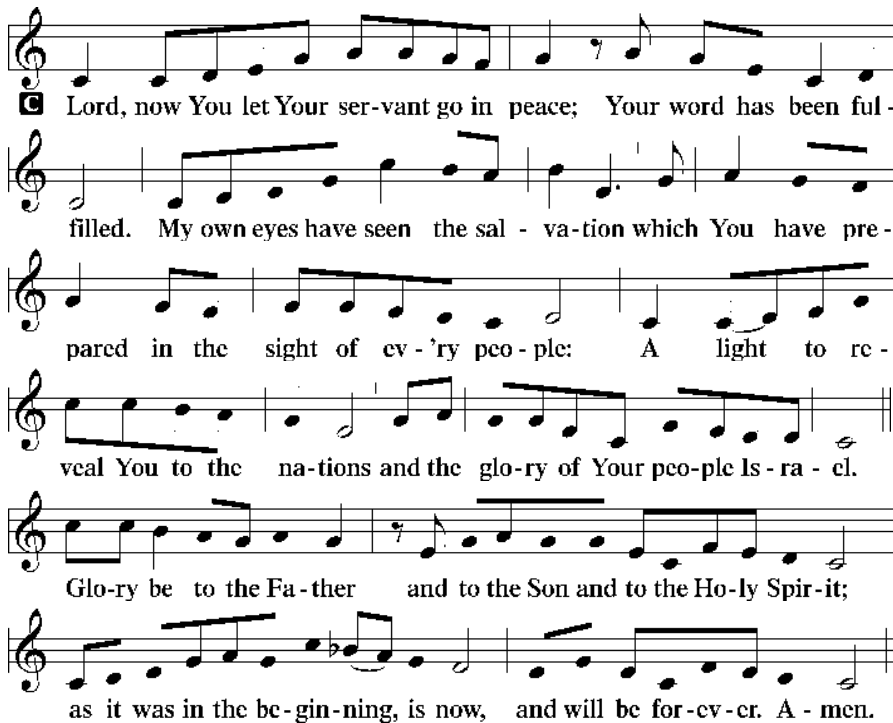
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The Dismissal

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.

Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re-veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-cr. A - men.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

Benediction

P 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. **C Amen.**

Sit

706 Love in Christ Is Strong and Living

Silent Prayer

Postlude

“Trumpet Tune”

(Martin)

FAMILY PRAYERS: We give thanks for the 60th wedding anniversary of Peter & Randa Wintermute. We pray for the family of Keren McCullem who is now with God. We continue to pray for all those undergoing medical care or recovering including: Tom & Bonita Hoskins, Laurine McGrew, Bob Donaldson, Lawrence Kettel, Dorothy Ludke, Bob Schoessler, Rosemarie Schlegel, Debbie Hayes, Larry Latson, Erik Simpson, Fred Swenson, Bob Barclay, Carolyn Stephens, Jean Collinson, Pat Skinner, Don Haas, Jean Gookins, Bruce Ludke, and for all our shut-ins. Missionaries of the month: Ben & Natalie Maxson of Makah Lutheran Church, in Neah Bay, WA.

ALTAR FLOWERS: given to the glory of God for all the many blessings by Peter & Randa Wintermute in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.

THOSE SERVING TODAY: **Audio Visual:** Pat Moored, Paul Schwabe, George Haslett
Altar Care: Jill Mason & Janice Moored; **Counters:** Darlene Smith & Sylvia Baxter
Elders: (8:30) Norm Drewett & Jon Wendt; (11:00) Frank Jones & Neil Eklund
Greeters: (8:30) Lila Duncan; (11:00) Al & Peggy Streeter
Lectors: (8:30) Melinda Wickert; (11:00) Madison Edwards
Ushers: (8:30) Bill Eichler, Roger Harmann; (11:00) Lynn & Jane Thompson

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK: [Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 & 11 am]

TODAY: 9:45 am Coffee & **Quarterly Voter's Meeting**; Sunday School
MONDAY: 10– 12 Laundry Mission; 1 pm Line Dancing
TUESDAY: 1:30 pm Bible Study at SH&Rehab
WEDNESDAY: 8:45 am Preschool Chapel, 7 pm Basic Bible Truths Class
4 pm Beginning Bells, 6 pm Bell Choir; 7:15 pm Choir Practice
THURSDAY: 7:30 am Men's Prayer; 8:45am & 12:30 pm Preschool Chapels
10 am Games Day; 5-7 pm Sequim-n-Women Group
6 pm **PRESCHOOL GRADUATION!**
FRIDAY: 10 am Quilting Group to set up in sanctuary for Sunday Quilt Blessing



Our LVM collect "mites" or coins in the narthex the 1st Sunday of the month in support of missions

SPECIAL MISSION SUPPORT: This will be the last Sunday for collecting donations in support of our sister church in Neah Bay, Makah Lutheran Church. Special offering envelopes are still available in the narthex today. Make checks out to: FLC; with Makah LC in the memo line. Missionaries working there, Ben & Natalie Maxson, thank the congregation for their support and request prayers for dealing with community losses and for financial stability. *Thank you.*