Easter 6 — May 25, 2025

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light ELW 815

Apostolic Greeting

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

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.

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you C And also with you

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever..

C Amen

First Reading: Acts 16:9-15

⁹ During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰ When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. ¹¹ We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹² and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³ On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴ A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵ When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us. Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God!

Psalm 67

- ¹ May God be merciful to | us and bless us; may the light of God's face | shine upon us.
- Let your way be known | upon earth,
 your saving health a- | mong all nations.
- ³ Let the peoples praise | you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the na- | tions on earth.
- ⁵ Let the peoples | praise you, O God;
- let all the peoples praise you.

 The earth has brought forth its increase;
 God, our own God, has blessed us.
- ⁷ May God | give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe.

Second Reading: Revelation 21: 10, 22-22:5

¹⁰ And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³ And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵ Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶ People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷ But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. ^{22:1} Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; 4 they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation Page 142

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel according to John in the 14th. C Glory to you, O Lord.

²³ Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. 24 Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. 25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you

everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day Jerusalem, My Happy Home

ELW 628

Prayers of the People

- As our Lord judges all nations and peoples, and calls each nation to faithfulness, so let us pray for our own nation as Christian citizens who are servants of Christ and his Gospel. Especially let us remember those who fell in battle, that their sacrifice may be honored by our ongoing commitment to liberty, justice, human dignity, and peace.
- AM For the whole expanse of Christians in America, that we may remain steadfast in our embrace of the ethics of Jesus, that we may witness to the unique gift of each person and all people, and that we may be holy neighbors to everyone in any need. Lord, in your mercy,

 People: Hear our prayer.
- AM For all our civil servants, elected or appointed, that they may use all their authority to reconcile the people of our land to one another under the framework of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" which our founders believed to be essential to our democratic republic. Lord, in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**
- AM For those who face danger in our uniformed services, that they may fulfill their oath to defend our nation from any form of tyranny or injustice, and be safely returned to their homes and families. And for those who lose their lives so that others may live in harmony, quiet, and security, may we hold their memories dear, Lord, in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**
- AM For our children, that we may together teach them the high calling to preserve and protect our national values of mutual respect, common good, and our holy calling to help all people thrive, Lord, in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**
- AM For the natural beauty and abundance of our land, that we may never reduce it to a set of profitable commodities, but cherish it as a blessing to be shared with future generations, Lord, in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer**.
- AM And for those who might seek to destroy or dismantle the experiment that is America, may their hearts and minds be changed to support and uphold a society of equals, bound to one another, as Abraham Lincoln said in his second inaugural address: "With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations." Lord, in your mercy,

 People Hear our prayer.
- L For all these, and any other needs you see that we have, Lord, bless us with your love. **People: Amen.**

The Peace

L The Peace of the Lord be with you all. C And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with one another. The Offering is received, and the table is prepared.

Anthem: Step Into the Water Words and music: Kirk Talley, Arr: Stan Pethel

Step into the water, wade out a little bit deeper, wet your feet in the water of his love. Step into the water, wade out a little bit deeper, come join angels singing praises to the Lamb of God. It's time that we the people, stand up for what's right. It's time we squared our shoulders back and raised our swords to fight. For the Bible is our weapon, and the Spirit is our shield. The church sure needs more members to be workers in the field. Come step into the water, wade out a little bit deeper, wet your feet in the water on his love. Step in the water wade out a little bit deeper won't you come join angels singing praises to the Lamb of God, to the Lamb of God. There's victory for the Christian, who walks the narrow way. A prize has been appointed for the soul who does not stray. I want to live for Jesus, and righteous I would be. So I can rest with him forever live eternally. Step into the water, wade out a little bit deeper, wet your feet in the water of his love. Step into the water, wade out a little bit deeper, come join angels singing praises to the Lamb of God. Come join angels singing praises to the Lamb of God.

Offertory Hymn ELW 678 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending. v.1

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store: nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door, gifted by you, we turn to you, off'ring up ourselves in praise; thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

The Leader speaks the offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving

- L The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
- L Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.
- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- L It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,...we praise your name and join their unending hymn: .

Sanctus

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.



The Great Thanksgiving

LORD'S PRAYER

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

The Agnus Dei pg. 146

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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

All are warmly welcomed by Christ to his table and feast.

Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace. C Amen.

Closing Hymn

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies ELW 888

Dismissal

AM Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors. C Amen.

Postlude

Thank you for coming. May God's peace be yours today.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Kay Ackley Francine Ahrens Ben, Sheryl & Nik Ahrens Peggy Ali Joyce Almsted

Connie Aparo Phil Bascetta Eli Boda Diane Boscarino Kathleen Bowler

Cherie Brown Sharon Cable Nancy Campbell Carol Cianciolo Emma Cortina

Leif Dallaire Emily Decker Linda Dellano Carla Derrickson Sigrid Devita

Irene Douglas Judy Elliott Mark Ebbeskotte Jan Eucalitto Jennifer Ezzo

Bruce & Liz Falls Tommy Fitzpatrick Ashley Friday Rosemarie Foth John Fox

Joan Gerard Danise Hall Jack & Barbara Heintz Brayden Herzberg Charles Hilton

Kathleen Hilton Shannon Hilton Jake Hoadley Sven Holmgren Erma Horn

Eunice Jones Lynn Killingbeck Marilyn Killingbeck Maria Koskovich Jason Lashbrook John Lewis David Little Rebecca Little Kari Machowski Mary Ellen Mackinnon

Jerry MacManus Irene Madore

Audrey & Ernie Marquard Abigail Marine

Abigail Marine Eric Marine Richard Marine

Janis Martin
Gil & Marilyn Martin
Gladys Medina
Michael Meyers

Colin Moore Brigitte Mueller Martin Mueller Dennis Nalette Karen Ness

Kate Merrow

Tom O'Brien Lea Orriola & family Russell Palmer Maria Payne Jackie Quinn Wassik

Caroline Quintal Ed & Susan Regner Jonathan Richard Louise Roche Holly Schaff

Judy Schaller Rosemary & Otto Schibi Denae Seelye Patricia Weingart Seymou

Patricia Weingart Seymour Rob Simon

Matt Simpson Dana Steele Sigrid Smitley Paul Smith

Dana & George Steele

Jennifer Stella
Deb & Jon Sterling
RuthAnn Stone
Diane Tanner

Gloria Thibault Andy Thomas Julia Thompson Carroll Susan Tycienski SteveWarner Renee Woodard

Clarence & Priscilla

Ed Jen O. Jaiden Shirley

Steve Lou W. Steve Todd Robert K.

Terry
Joe
Rosie
Carol G.
Kristen & Jared

Vinny Hagbard Carolina Robert P. Peanut

Colleen Ken Kathy Jaxson Gail

F.C.H. Chantel Our Nursing Home Members
Dee Gammon

Dee Gammon Midge Rosenbeck Calvin Bensch Judy Schaller

Our Military Friends

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind,

body and soul. Amen.
Tyler Quinn
Eric Beyus
Major Zachary Fulton
Brandan Holbrook
Jonathan Connell
Tom Gregg, Jr.
Eric Bremer
Peter Hutchinson
S/W Anderson James Ernst
USCG

SPC Dominic Boscarino
PVT Noah Braatz
PVT 2 Christian Braatz

Around the Church

Event	Date	Time
Synod Assembly	5/30-31	
Pentecost & Confirmation	6/8	10:00 am
New Member Reception	6/22	10:00 am
Tag Sale	7/19	8:00 am
VBS	Week of 8/4	9:00 am

Offerings Summary: See Slides

Needed Weekly \$4,561

Received

Shortfall (\$)

YTD shortfall (\$)

Water Heater

Bible Study Tuesday via Zoom 6:00 pm and in person Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am.

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays

Minimalist bulletin

Prelude

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn

Apostolic Greeting

Prayer of the Day

First Reading

Hymn

Second Reading

Gospel Acclamation

Reading of the Holy Gospel

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Reception of new members

Prayers of the People

Peace

A Capella Choir Anthem

The Offering is received

Offertory Hymn Pg. 186

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) pg. 154

Communion is Distributed

Post-communion prayer

Benediction

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