

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



† DIVINE SERVICE †

OPENING HYMN

"Father, We Praise Thee"

(LSB 875)

INVOCATION

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

EXHORTATION

- 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.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

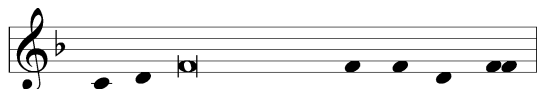
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our 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

Ps 30:1-5 (antiphon: 149:1)

- P Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!
- C **I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**
- P O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.
- C **O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.**
- P Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.
- C **For his anger is but for a moment,
And his favor is for a lifetime.**
- P Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.
- C **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.**
- P Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!

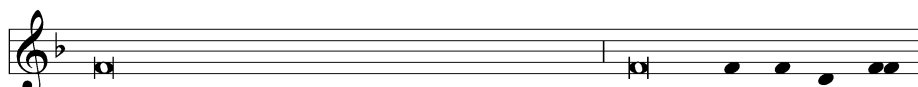
KYRIE



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



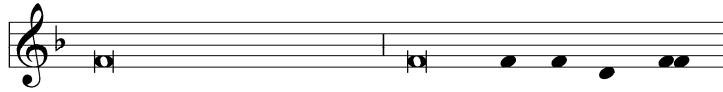
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



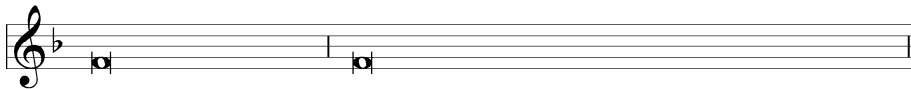
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



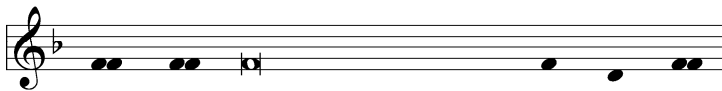
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain



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



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



Final Refrain

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



Al - le - lu - ia, 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.**

FIRST READING

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

(Stephen dies for his faith)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

(Dorsey, arr. Schrader)

Rodd Bauck, vocal soloist

EPISTLE

1 Peter 2:2-10

(We are God's people)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA and VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a common time signature and contains the melody for the first line of the Alleluia and Verse. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:1-14

(Jesus shows us the Father)

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

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

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON HYMN

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

(LSB 633, v. 1-4)

SERMON

"Craving the Milk of God"

(1 Peter 2:2-10)

Pastor Cory Rajek

SERMON HYMN

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

(LSB 633, v. 5-8)

APOSTLES' CREED

Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book

OFFERING *We gather our tithes, gifts of love, and our "Building Together in Faith" gifts.*



PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P As newborn infants who long for the pure spiritual milk, let us come before the Lord seeking His mercy with the confidence that His grace will be sufficient for all our needs.

Brief silence

P Lord God, You have promised to build up Your Church to be a holy priesthood, that Your people might offer the spiritual sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving. Bless Your Church and bring all congregations back together again. Bless all pastors who proclaim Christ to us. Bless all church workers and those preparing for full-time church vocations, that Your Church may be supplied with faithful leaders and servants of Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O merciful Father, You have compassion upon the sick and those in need and have promised not to ignore them in their afflictions. Turn back the tide of this virus across the globe, and give us relief. Bless the sick with healing, those who suffer with strength and patience, and the dying with peace, especially _____. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious God, You have established the home and blessed those who show us Your love. Bless all mothers and the children in their care. Bless all families and make their homes places of love, where Your Word is spoken, forgiveness reigns and unity is displayed. Give us good examples to inspire youth to all that is good and pure, and to seek after these things. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, you have given us new life in the company of our mother, the Holy Christian Church. You have fed us from her hand, giving us the milk of Your word. You have caused us to grow in her tender care until we have reached maturity in our faith. Grant that we may love and honor our mother even as we love and honor you. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We praise You, God, for Your goodness in hearing the prayers of Your people and granting us confidence to approach Your throne of mercy. Hear us now in the name of and for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C **Amen.**

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.**

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

- 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 T give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

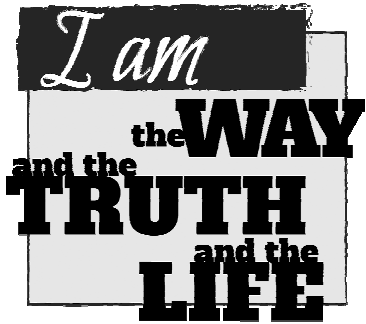
CLOSING HYMN

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

(LSB 739)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 10 – THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



AS WE GATHER Our fifty-day celebration of Easter continues as we solemnly gather in the presence of our crucified and risen Savior Jesus Christ. Present He is for we see and hear Him touching and speaking to us through His Spirit, in the water of Holy Baptism, in His very body and blood in Holy Communion, in His words of Holy Absolution, and in the preaching of His Word. We gather not as much to give anything to Him but to receive from Him His gifts of deliverance, salvation, and righteousness. Today, once again He bestows on you His own righteousness, making of us a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession. Our sin has been taken away, and we are renewed with eternal life by the faith created in us by His Spirit. In this faith our doubts and fears are taken away as we look forward to our heavenly home, the many rooms and mansions, the place prepared for us, as we await His final return.

*Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."
John 14:6*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the yellow prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Fifth Sunday of Easter! We are delighted to have you in worship with us.

Preaching today is Reverend Cory Rajek, our Senior Pastor. Reverend Samuel Handschke, our Associate Pastor, is our Liturgist.

INDIVIDUAL COMMUNION

Please come to church for a time of individual communion. We will allow groups of 9 (plus the pastor) at a time to receive Jesus' body and blood.



Join us on Sunday morning from 9:30-11:30AM. You may come at any point during those times. If a group is already in the sanctuary, please wait in the narthex. Also be conscious of the suggested distance (six feet) from fellow worshippers.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sun., May 3, General Fund \$16,945.49; Building Fund \$280.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$1,425.00; Memorial in memory of Bob Shoup \$65.00; Endowment Fund in memory of Bob Shoup-Blessings in Faith (Undesignated) \$75.00, Endowment Fund in memory of Bob Shoup-Generations in Faith (General Fund) \$100.00; Century Link Refund \$24.14; Endowment Fund Reimbursement to church \$10.00; Utecht Ministry \$270.00 Endowment Fund-Future in Faith (Education) \$100.00.

Want to listen to our worship service on your phone? Call **1-888-502-3453** and follow the prompts. It will get you to the live streamed service or if we are not livestreaming it will guide you to the last service recorded. Please let everyone know of this service. For

those without a computer this is a way for you to stay up on Faith's worship services.



Confirmation Our 8th Grade Confirmation for this year has been postponed until a later date as yet to be determined. Once things are more back to “normal” we will let you know the new date for Confirmation. Pastor Rajek has extended the time for the students to complete their essays, which are a requirement for successful completion of our Confirmation program. Please be getting those turned in to Pastor at: seniorpastor@faithluth.com.

Main Street Living **Did you know** the Main Street Living program is broadcast throughout South Dakota and into bordering states on two TV stations: KDLT in Sioux Falls at 10:00 AM central and KEVN at 8:00 AM mountain in Rapid City? **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on www.mainstreetliving.com, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

May 10, 2020

10:00 AM-This is the Life-“To the End of Time”- A physicist working on nuclear weapon development is confronted with the reality of the weapon, the utility of radiation and the blessing of Christian hope.

10:30 AM-The message “ is presented by Rev. Richard Milbrandt of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ocheyedan, Iowa brings the message based on John 14:1-14. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com

May 17, 2020

10:00 AM-This is the Life-A Face from the Past”- A man struggles to come to terms with the memory and feelings of guilt with his estranged father.

10:30 AM-Rev. Brent Keller of Peace Lutheran Church in Alcester, SD brings the message “An Invitation to Ask” based on Numbers 21 and John 16:23-33. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “Moms embody grace. God gives each of us an immediate friend and automatic defender even before birth. This He does—and so does she—without our earning or deserving it. As much as daughters and sons bring His blessings to their parents, so much also do mothers mediate His mercies to their little ones.” *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans*

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: May 10 MOTHER'S DAY

8:20 am Worship – Livestreamed

9:30-11:30 am Communion

Tues: May 12

8:00 am Staff Devotions

Thurs: May 14

8:00 am Staff Devotions

Sun: May 17

8:20 am Worship - Livestreamed

9:30-11:30 am Communion

Faith Lutheran Youth



The Acolyte Schedule is on hold until church services resume.

Preschool 2020-2021 pre-registration forms are in the basket on the information table in the Narthex.



