

SEVENTH 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

"How Firm a Foundation"

(LSB 728)

INVOCATION

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

EXHORTATION

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

INTROIT

Psalm 100:1-5; (antiphon: Ps. 101:1)

P I will sing of steadfast love and justice;
to you, O LORD, I will make music.

C **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!**

Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

P Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are the people, and the sheep of his pasture.

C **Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!**

Give thanks to his; bless his name!

P For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

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 I will sing of steadfast love and justice;
to you, O LORD, I will make music.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

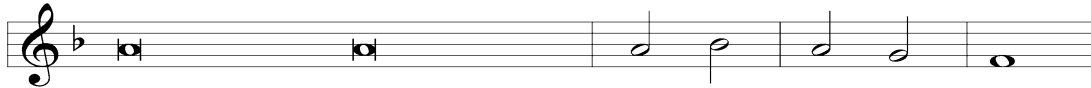
GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Let us pray. O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING

Acts 1:12–26

(The Apostles find a replacement for Judas.)

After the reading:

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"Sanctuary"
Men's Ensemble

(arr. Lloyd Larson)

EPISTLE

1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11 (Jesus suffered. As people connected to Jesus, we can expect to suffer also.)

After the reading:

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA



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

HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:1–11

(Jesus prays for Himself and for us.)

- The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.**

After the reading:

- This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

BIBLE LESSON

SERMON HYMN

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

(LSB 525)

SERMON

"Jesus Is Graduating"
Pastor Sam Handschke

(John 17:1-11)

CREED 8:30 am *Nicene* *Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book*
 11:00 am *Apostles'* *Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book*

OFFERTORY



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

RECOGNITION OF OUR 2023 GRADUATES

Katelynn Axtell
Caleb Davis
Rylan Derry
Ayvrie Kaiser
Ellie Noyes
Collin Pope



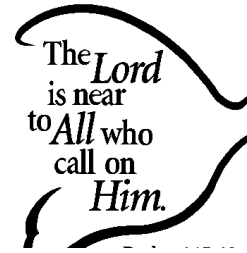
Emma Reitzel
Rachel Salvetti
Eric Spitzer
Alyssa Stahl
Jazmine Yaeger
Jesalyn Zimmerman

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P Lord God, Ruler of all, protect and defend Your Church from every attack of the devil who prowls and seeks to devour. Where he tempts, strengthen Your people to resist his seductions and terrors; where he gains a foothold with false teaching or ungodly living, call to repentance and holiness; and where he incites enemies against Your Word and Church, preserve Your saints in the faith, that they may rejoice to share in the sufferings of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,



C hear our prayer.

P Lord, bless the work of our missionaries. Bring forth Your harvest from the seeds they sow. Support those who endure fiery trials for Your name. As they shine the light of the Gospel into hostile darkness, guard them with the sign of Your cross. Let them rejoice that in tribulation, distress, persecution, famine, nakedness, peril or sword, they share in Your very sufferings. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, You hold the might of man in Your hand and can destroy all things by Your mighty power. Bless our nation and all the peoples of the world. Where war and violence threaten, bring peace and justice. Where oppression reigns, bring liberty. Watch over those who defend us, especially the men and women of our armed forces and those who protect within our communities. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, You have saved us by Your grace. We pray for the sick, the distressed, those whose hearts are heavy, those whose lives are burdened, those who mourn and all who are in any need [*especially* _____]. Grant them healing according to Your will, strength and mercy according to their needs, and the peace that passes understanding. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, Your Son is both host and meal in the Sacrament of the Altar. Give us faith to recognize His body and blood and to receive with grateful faith this blessed food in Holy Communion. Guide us to live faithfully here on earth until we live forever with You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, as the first Christians devoted themselves to prayer and worship following Christ's glorious ascension, preserve us in the same until we are raised with all the saints to

Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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.

The 11:00 am service continues on page 10 with the Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastor**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

8:30 am

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

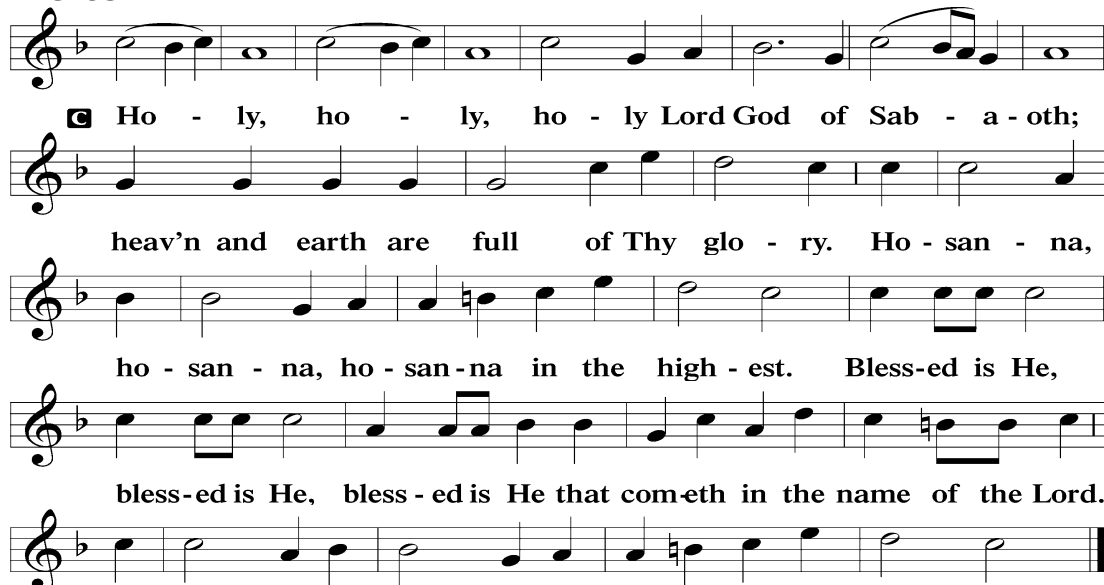
C We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tress of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.



AGNUS DEI



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" (LSB 637)
- "Draw Us to Thee" (LSB 701)
- "O Christ, Who Called the Twelve" (LSB 856)



(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

BENEDICAMUS

- P** Bless we the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

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 ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Fight the Good Fight”

(LSB 664)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



AS WE GATHER We don't like to suffer. In fact, there are times when we feel the slightest pain and we start feeling like we are being persecuted. We would much rather have God shatter those we perceive to be our enemies than deal with anything resembling suffering. When God deals with our “enemies,” then, we will sing God's praises. But sometimes life is hard and sometimes it is hard because we are Christians, and our adversary, “the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour” (1 Peter 5:8). Jesus once said, “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute

you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.” (Matthew 5:11–12). This same Jesus prayed for us, that our Holy Father would keep us in His name. He knew suffering and is now experiencing glory. When we suffer because of our Christian faith, we share Christ's suffering and because He suffered, died, and rose again, we, too, will share that experience and join Him in His glory.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when His glory is revealed. *1 Peter 4:12–13*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the blue 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 Seventh Sunday of Easter! We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have

no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

Preaching today is Reverend Samuel Handschke.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 8:30 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. May 10, Att. 44, Offering \$520.00; Sun., May 14, Att. 276; General Fund \$9,037.37; Sunday School \$11.70; Building Fund \$900.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$3,070.00; Lutherans For Life \$230.00; Endowment Fund (Future of Faith) in memory of Richard Doud \$100.00.

Endowment Fund There are lime green envelopes on the back side of the large center support post in the Narthex for your use. Donations do not have to be in memory of someone, they can be in celebration of an event in your lives, to the glory of God, or any number of happenings in your lives. The envelopes have an area where you can designate where you wish the funds to go. Please use a separate **check** for your donation. Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so it needs to be in the form of a **check**. The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!



Graduation Reception There will be a reception for the high school graduates of Pierre and Ft. Pierre between services TODAY. Please come to the Fellowship Hall to greet the graduates and enjoy cake and coffee.

Surplus Mower 44" Grasshopper brand 2TR riding mower for sale. Comes with bagger and broom attachment. 16hp engine. Approx. 900 hours run time. If interested, please contact Steve Johnson at 605-295-1313.





Friendship Tea The Faith Lutheran LWML will host a Friendship Tea on Sunday, June 11th at 2:00 pm in the CFLC gym. All women welcome. Invite/bring a friend. A little program, light refreshments and lots of fun!

Little Dresses Update Faith's LWML is "sew happy" to announce 243 dresses have been sewn, displayed and packed for our Mexico Mission team to distribute on their trip to Mexico.



Thank you and blessings to all who donated materials or cash and to the many volunteers who made kits, created beautiful dresses or contributed their time and talents in any way. Little Dresses truly is a fun project with many willing servants.

Thinking ahead: The Little Dresses tote is in the west coat closet for any donations of gently used pillowcases, buttons, lace or trim for future little dresses.

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.

There are 2 station changes for KDLT viewers. **May 7 and May 28th will air on FOX due to broadcast pre-emptions.

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KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

10:00 AM - "No Place to Hide" - A pastor, who has to face the death of his wife, cannot find comfort.

10:30 AM - Reverend Matthew Wurm, pastor at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Brookings, presents a message titled "God Gives to You." This sermon is based on 1 John 5:11. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes "God has chosen each one of us from the beginning of creation. God has also chosen our body to be a temple. He gave us the beautiful gift of a body, and we are

called to be stewards of that body, to take care of it and be aware of what we do with it. God also chooses each one of us to belong. We all have a spot and purpose in God's family—and not one of us is useless or random. God chose us with a purpose. Nothing He does is random.” *Kambria Steinhaus, Knights 4 Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Faith Lutheran Youth



Camp Minneboji Camp Minneboji is a Christian Summer Camp for 4th-8th graders. It will be held June 18th-24th at Camp Okoboji in Milford, IA.

Circuit Bible Camp Students who have **finished** grades 4-8 are invited to attend Circuit Bible Camp. Camp runs **July 24-26** and we will be tubing the Niobrara. Our theme is “**Shine Like Stars**”. We will swim, play, and eat delicious camp food. Cost: \$60, Faith will scholarship \$30 for each of our member students who wish to attend.



This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: May 21

8:30 am Communion
9:45 am Graduate Reception in Gym
9:45 am Adult Bible Study
11:00 am Worship
12:00 pm Stanley County High Graduation
1:00 pm Boards of Stewardship/Endow
2:00 pm Riggs High Graduation

Mon: May 22

6-9 pm Pickleball
7:00 pm Priscilla Circle

Tues: May 23

8:00 am Staff Devotions

10:30 am Women's Bible Study

6:30 pm Mary/Martha Circle

Wed: May 24

6:30 pm Hebrews (In Homes) Bible Study

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: May 25

8:00 am Staff Devotions

5-8 pm MOPS in Gym

Sat: May 27

Mexico Mission team leaves for El Paso

Sun: May 28 PENTECOST (Wear Red)

8:30 am Worship

11:00 am Communion