



*"I have said these things to you...that you may be complete."
St. John 15:11*

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2024 -- 10:00 a.m.

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"Come, Celebrate with Us"

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

WELCOME, in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ! To assist the office staff in serving you, **please sign the yellow Attendance & Communion Registration sheet included in the bulletin.** We also ask first time worshippers to sign the guest book on the table near the doors. Following worship, everyone is invited to the entrance area for refreshments

Please direct all pastoral care concerns to Pastor, Rich Mueller at 914-388-2240.



Gathering

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

We face the font, remembering God's promise of forgiveness in baptism.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN

382, "Christ is Risen! Alleluia!"



1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!
 2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
 3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay
 4 Christ is ris - en! Hence-forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!
 through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re - turns to life once more;
 now has found a glo - rious mor - row in the ris - ing of to - day.
 We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri - umphed o - ver all.



Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;
 death and hell be - fore him bend - ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,
 See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;
 All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.
 an - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.
 Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.
 hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.



Refrain



Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.
 Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

GREETING

P: 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.

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

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.

Lord, have mer - cy.

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

let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister

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

All

1 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.

Refrain

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

2 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.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Word

FIRST READING

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter shares the good news of Jesus with a Gentile soldier and his family, the Holy Spirit comes upon them. Recognizing that the Spirit works inclusively in the lives of both Jews and Gentiles, Peter commands that these Gentiles also be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷“Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 98

Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands. (Ps. 98:4)

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done ¹ marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have ¹ won the victory.

²**O LORD, you have made ¹ known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight ¹ of the
nations.**

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the ¹ house of
Israel;

all the ends of the earth have seen the victory ¹ of our God.

⁴**Shout with joy to the LORD, ¹ all you lands;
lift up your voice, re- ¹ joice, and sing. R**

⁵Sing to the LORD ¹ with the harp,
with the harp and the ¹ voice of song.

⁶**With trumpets and the sound ¹ of the horn
shout with joy before the ¹ king, the LORD.**

⁷Let the sea roar, and ¹ all that fills it,
the world and those who ¹ dwell therein.

⁸**Let the rivers ¹ clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes
to ¹ judge the earth.**

⁹The LORD will judge the ¹ world with righteousness
and the peo- ¹ ples with equity. **R**

SECOND READING

1 John 5:1-6

God's children believe that Jesus is the Messiah and love God by keeping God's commandments. Thus the world is conquered not through military might but through love and faith.

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:9-17

The Holy Gospel according to St. John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the night of his arrest, Jesus delivers a final testimony to his disciples to help them in the days ahead. Here, he repeats the most important of all his commands, that they love one another.

Jesus said: ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pam Burkey

SERMON

Rev. Richard H. Mueller

HYMN OF THE DAY

[380, “Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!”](#)

1 Hal-le - lu - jah! Je - sus lives! He is now the Liv - ing One;
2 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and mourn-ful sigh?
3 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, life e - ter - nal waits for you;
4 Je - sus lives! Let all re - joice. Praise him, ran-somed of the earth.
5 Hal-le - lu - jah! An - gels, sing! Join with us in hymns of praise.

from the gloom-y halls of death Christ, the con-quer-or, has gone,
 Christ who died our broth-er here lives our broth-er still on high,
 joined to Christ, your liv-ing head, where he is, you shall be too;
 Praise him in a no-bler song, cher-u-bim of heav'n-ly birth.
 Let your cho-rus swell the strain which our fee-bler voic-es raise:

bright fore-run-ner to the skies of his peo-ple, yet to rise.
 lives for-ev-er to be-stow bless-ings on his church be-low.
 with the Lord, at God's right hand, as a vic-tor you shall stand.
 Praise the vic-tor king, whose sway sin and death and hell o-bey.
 Glo-ry to our God a-bove and on earth his peace and love!

Text: Carl B. Garve, 1763–1841; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.
 Music: FRED TIL BOD, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
 begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven;
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
 and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS *(Stand)*

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

Your Holy Spirit falls upon all who hear the word. Fill your church with the gifts of your Spirit and give understanding hearts to those who strengthen our commitments with our ecumenical and interreligious partners. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You speak and the face of the earth is renewed. Revive your creation, that habitats and every kind of living thing might flourish. Protect endangered species and help us to care for all your creatures. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your world is divided and the nations rage. Grant wisdom and vision to world leaders, that they may seek justice, peace, and the good of all. Strengthen international partnerships and cooperation. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your children are in need. Comfort all those who suffer, especially those afflicted by anxiety, depression, and mental illness. Help us to be conduits of your love in our care for one another. *(We pray especially for . . .)* God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your work is done in this place with our hands. Bless the ministries of this congregation *(ministries may be named)*, that we may embody your love for the world. Inspire those who plan and lead worship, council members, committee members, and volunteers. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Your blessed saints now rest in you. Give us thankful hearts for those who have gone before us (*especially*). At the last, bring us all together around your heavenly banquet table. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

We greet one another with a gesture of peace.

Meal

OFFERING *An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Your offering can be left in the baskets provided near the entrance of the sanctuary.*

OFFERING HYMN

481, "Come to the Table"



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Musical score for the text: "Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb." The score is written for voice and piano. The voice part is in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The music consists of two staves. The first staff contains the vocal line, and the second staff contains the piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb."

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942
 Music: COME TO THE TABLE, Martin J. Nystrom, b. 1956
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OFFERATORY PRAYER

A: Let Us Pray,

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C: Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

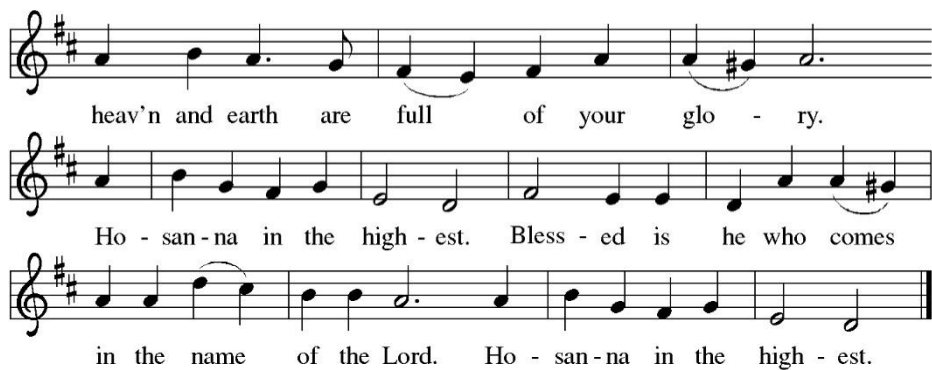
Musical score for "THE GREAT THANKSGIVING". The score is written for voice and piano. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#), and the time signature is 4/4. The music consists of four staves. The first staff contains the vocal line, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise."

The presiding minister continues:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...*Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Musical score for "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY". The score is written for voice and piano. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#), and the time signature is 4/4. The music consists of one staff. The vocal line is in the treble clef. The lyrics are: "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.

The Eucharistic Prayer follows, concluding with the 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.

COMMUNION

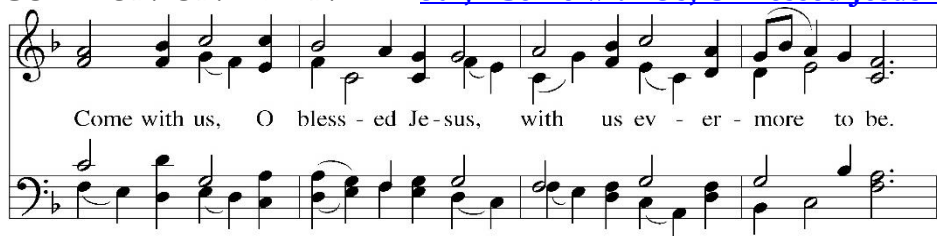
P: The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.
 Come and eat at God's table.

Christ is truly present in this sacrament. We trust the Word, "The body and blood of Christ given and shed for you." By Christ's invitation, all baptized people of God are welcome to receive Christ's gift of love and mercy. Cups are available to receive wine from the Worship Assistant's pouring chalice. If grape juice is preferable, it is available in the tray the Acolyte carries.

Those not wishing to participate in Holy Communion may come forward and receive a blessing. Please notify the usher if you are unable to come forward, but wish to commune in your seat. Approach the altar from the center aisle and return to your seat by a side aisle.

COMMUNION HYMN

501, "Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus"



Come with us, O bless - ed Je - sus, with us ev - er - more to be.

And, in leav - ing now thine al - tar, let us nev - er - more leave thee!

Let thy bright ce - les - tial cho - rus nev - er cease the heav'n - ly strain;

but in us, thy lov - ing chil - dren, come, bring peace, good will to men.

Text: John H. Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891

Music: JESU, JOY OF MAN'S DESIRING, Johann Schop, 1600–1665; arr. J. S. Bach, 1685–1750

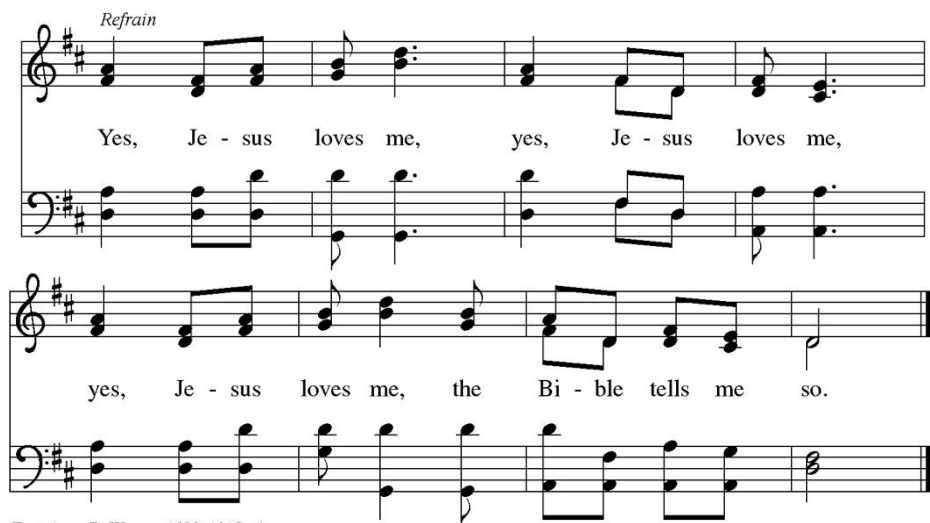
COMMUNION HYMN (2)

595, "Jesus Loves Me!"

1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
 2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
 3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain



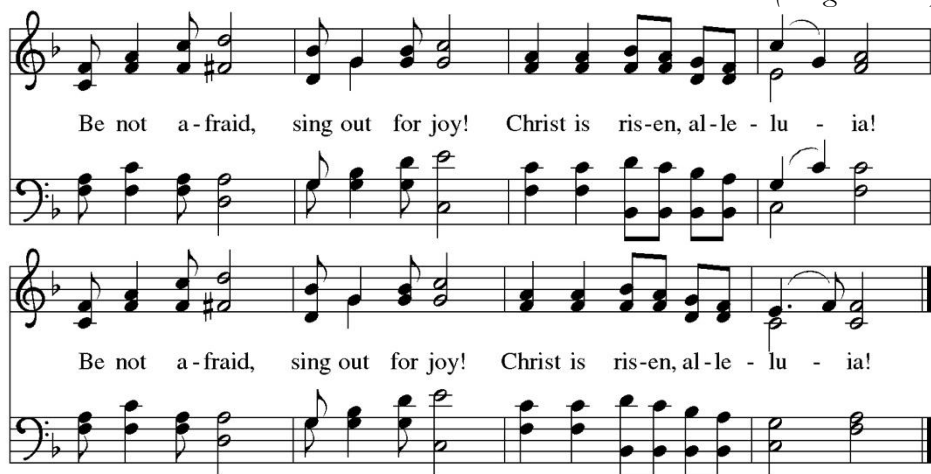
Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,
yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.
Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

COMMUNION HYMN (3)

388, “Be Not Afraid”

(Sung 3 Times)



Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!
Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community
Music: BE NOT AFRAID, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

The presiding minister may say a table blessing.

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

The assisting minister leads the prayer after communion.

A: Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished

us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

C: Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sending

BLESSING

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

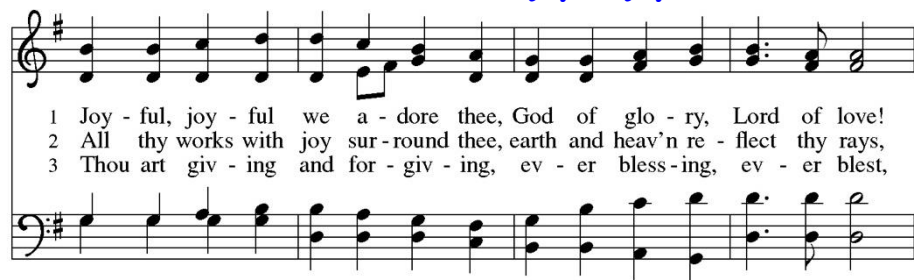
C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always.

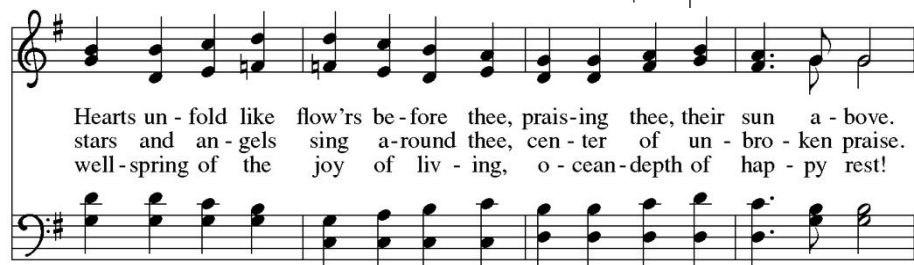
C: Amen

SENDING HYMN

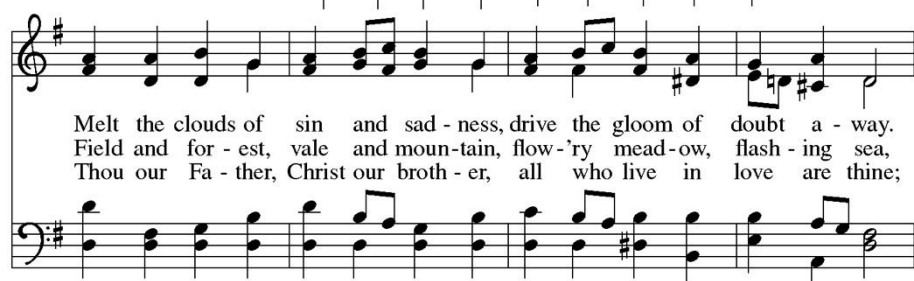
836, "Joyful, Joyful We adore Thee"



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922
 Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

DISMISSAL

A: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Announcements for Sunday, May 5, 2024

TO KEEP IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS: Those worshipping for the first time at Holy Trinity. Cancer/Illness: **Tammy Cain, Milissa Collins, David Durant, Jay Fassbender, Brittany Dyche Harvey, Albert Jimenes, Elsie Lamb, Susan Mueller, Dot Peterson, Sheila Ross, David Scott, Charles Sharp and Joey Simon; Those serving in military, firefighters & law enforcement including: **Marc Alverson, Daryl Bogle, Colter Burkey, Steve Duke, Shawn Ethington, Albert Jimenes, Brent Massey, Jordan Miller, Christopher Mueller, Titus Nissen, Rich Peacock and Dylan Winslow; Holy Trinity’s Mission Partner: **Triumphant Cross Lutheran Church – Dothan, AL and Rev. Stephen Alsleben; ELCA Leaders: **SE Synod Bishop Rev. Kevin Strickland, ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Pastor Rich Mueller.********

Our stewardship last week: Attendance – 44 Offerings – \$1,935.00

SCRIPTURE MAY 12TH: *Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19*

 **BIRTHDAYS** 

Derek Thorsrud 05/05 Jieying Guan 05/06
 Anna Thorsrud 05/08 Harvey Cunningham 05/11

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- Today** 9:00am Children's Sunday School: Jesus After the Resurrection
10:00am Service of Holy Communion
1:00pm Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scout Pack Meetings
- Mon., May 6** 4:30pm – 5:30pm Musical Beginnings: Piano Lessons in Sanctuary & Classroom
- Tues., May 7** 8:30am – 2:30pm Office Hours
3:00pm – 6:30pm Musical Beginnings: Voice Lessons in Sanctuary
6:00pm WELCA - Phoebe's Circle @ Linda Gregg's home: 23123 Shadowridge Drive Daphne, Al
- Wed., May 8** 8:30am – 2:30pm Office Hours
4:00pm – 5:30pm Yoga Class (Gathering Place)
5:00pm – 6:00pm Musical Beginnings: Piano Lessons in Sanctuary
- Thur., May 9** **Ascension Day**
8:00am - 5:00pm Life Line Screening in Fellowship Hall
8:30am – 2:30pm Office Hours
11:00am Worship & Music Board Meeting in Classroom
4:30pm – 6:00pm Musical Beginnings: Music Lessons in Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall
- Fri., May 10** 4:00pm – 5:00pm Musical Beginnings: Piano Lessons in Sanctuary
- Sat., May 11** 8:00am – 10:00am Men's Breakfast Group in Fellowship Hall
8:00am – 8:45am Cancelled: Yoga Class
- Sun., May 12** **Mother's Day**
10:00am Service of Holy Communion



Children's Sunday School



Our Spring session of Children's Sunday School wraps up Today, May 5th at 9 am. The theme is *Jesus After the Resurrection*. Thank you to Cathy Jones for leading this important ministry.



ANNIVERSARIES



Rick & Lynn Russell
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Life Line Screening for Stroke and Cardiovascular Risk will use our Fellowship Hall on **Thursday, May 9th**. This event is open to the public. **Pre-registration is required.** Sign up now by calling toll free to 1-844-591-7160 or text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607 or visit <https://www.lsa.social/hzca>

WELCA - Phoebe's Circle

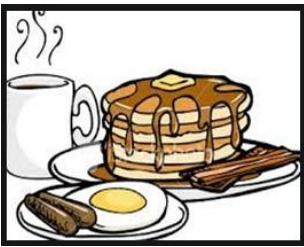
Phoebe Circle will meet **Tuesday May 7th at 6:00 pm** at the **home of Linda Gregg**. Her address is 23123 Shadowridge Drive
Daphne, Al
(This is in the Old Field subdivision)

Please let Linda Gregg know you are coming: 251-223-3826
or lwg@att.net. You can also RSVP to Linda Veren: 256-468-3885
or tigerjagmom@gmail.com

New Member Reception

On **May 19th** (Pentecost) we will be receiving new members. After the church service we will host a new member reception. This will be a **pot-luck meal**. If you would like to attend or contribute towards this celebration, a **sign-up sheet** is in the narthex.

VBS Fundraiser: Pancake Breakfast



On **Sunday, May 26th**, our Discipleship Board will hold a breakfast fundraiser for VBS in the **Fellowship Hall starting at 8:30 am**. An **attendance sign-up sheet** is in the narthex. We **also need volunteers** to help cook, clean up, bring griddles and donate cooking supplies (i.e., bacon, sausage, syrup, butter, eggs, etc.) A **second sign-up sheet** is available for volunteers and breakfast supplies we will need that morning. For additional information please see **Cathy Jones** (850-368-5974 or flojonesy@gmail.com)



TACO MAMA'S SPIRIT NIGHT!

MONDAY – May 20TH, 2024

3:00 – 9:00 PM

**10% of all sales will be donated to
Holy Trinity!**

**Location: 6883 US Highway 90 - Daphne
(Across from Home Depot)**

<https://tacomamaonline.com/>

A sign-up sheet is in the narthex

Assisting in Worship

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| Presiding Minister | Rev. Richard H. Mueller |
| Musicians | Craig Bruce: Keyboards Steve Horlebein: Guitar |
| Assisting Minister | Cyndi Howell |
| Acolyte | Emily Cormier |
| Lector | Andy Veren |
| Cantor | Randi Patterson |
| Children's Sermon | Pam Burkey |
| Altar Guild | Diane MacShane |
| Greeters | Phyllis Buchholz |
| Usher | Dave Howell |
| Tellers | Dave Howell & Fred Fassbender |
| Camera Operator | Linda Veren |
| Hospitality | TBD |

*The flowers at the Altar today are given to the Glory of God with Great Thanksgiving
in honor of the multiple Fassbender Family birthdays in May.*



OPEN CAMERA & SCAN

PURPOSE STATEMENT

God's purpose for Holy Trinity is to grow faith
that moves us beyond ourselves.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

1. Faithfully living with Christ at the center.
2. Prayerfully listening with open hearts and minds.
3. Selflessly welcoming all without preconceptions.
4. Courageously bearing our neighbor's burdens
5. Relating to one another with respect and honesty
6. Boldly sharing our blessings with other.

**MAY 5, 2024
SIXTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER**



Disciples lovingly accept the hospitality of others.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

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| Sunday | John 15:9-17 | Love one another |
| Monday | Acts 10:44-48 | Gentiles receive the Holy Spirit |
| Tuesday | 1 John 5:1-6 | Faith conquers the world |
| Wednesday | Romans 12:14-21 | Marks of the true Christian |
| Thursday | Luke 24:44-53 | The ascension of Jesus |
| Friday | Leviticus 19:32-37 | Living a holy life |
| Saturday | Psalm 98 | Make a joyful noise |
| Sunday | John 17:6-19 | Christ's prayer for his disciples |

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

So he [Peter] ordered them [Cornelius and his household] to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.
Acts 10:48 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, being a guest in another person's home is not always easy to do. Give us love and courage to graciously accept the hospitality of others for the sake of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Loving God, you are the host at every meal. Help me to receive your hospitality and to be open to the hospitality of others through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God's steadfast love and faithfulness give you joy. (Psalm 98:3-4)



MAY 5, 2024

HYMN OF THE WEEK

Give Thanks for Saints



taking **+**
faith
home

WEEKLY MILESTONES



Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Tell or think about a memorable time when you have been a guest in someone else's home.
- In what ways do you show God's love when visiting others in their home?

DEVOTIONS



Read: Acts 10:44-48.

While Peter is speaking, he witnesses the work of the Holy Spirit that leads him to baptize Cornelius and his household. Then Peter accepts the hospitality of Cornelius, a Roman soldier (Acts 10:1-2). What would it have been like for Peter to receive food and lodging in the home of a Roman and a Gentile? It was most likely a dramatic change for Peter. It is one thing to be the host and invite someone to receive the hospitality, food, family and faith traditions of your own culture. It is quite another to be open to the cultural life of someone else. It can easily be disorienting. Will you like the food? Will you know or make adjustments to the appropriate manners expected? Will you pick up the right utensil? Will you embarrass your host or yourself? Being a guest is not easy and requires attentiveness, acceptance, and grace. That is what the church is asked to do, to be vulnerable and not in control. That is what Jesus and the Holy Spirit expect of us, too.

Discuss: How does your openness to someone else's hospitality show the love of God to that person?

Pray: **Gracious God, your kindness knows no end. Give us faith to be open to the lives and ways of others that together we may give praise to you through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you be open to the hospitality and cultural traditions of others?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Throughout the Bible and the history of the church, singing has been a faithful way of worshiping God and expressing one's faith in God (Psalm 98). Sing or read the words of a favorite hymn. Begin your singing and reading by praying the words of Psalm 98:4: **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Amen.**



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

Lunch Bunch

We will meet on Tuesday,
May 21st @ 11:30 am



(Jubilee Square)

6870 US-90, Daphne, AL

All are invited. A sign-Up sheet is in the narthex.

(Please Note this is 30 minutes earlier than our usual meeting time.)