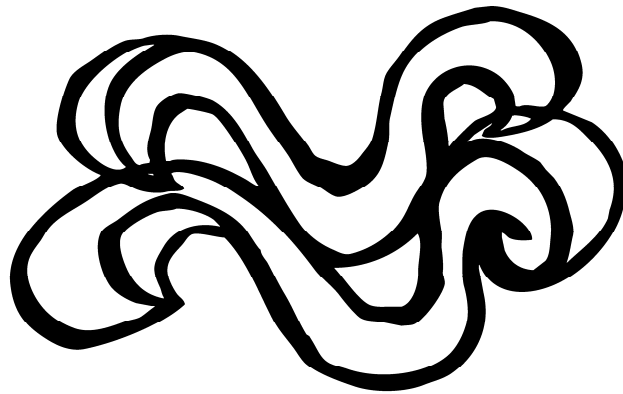


Ascension of Our Lord

Saturday May 11th 5:00 PM

Sunday, May 12th 9:00 AM



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We have an open table for **Holy Communion** with two options to receive communion:

- 1) Come forward, at the direction of the ushers, to receive communion by **Intinction**. You will receive a wafer (gluten free available) and then dip it either in the wine (red) or grape juice (white).

Children and others not wishing to receive communion may come forward with their hands folded to receive a blessing. Otherwise, come forward with you palms open to receive a wafer.

- 2) Stay in your pew and use the **self-contained communion cups** (wafer on the top and grape juice on the bottom). These are located in the rear of the sanctuary as you walk in.

There are portions of the worship service when the **assembly is invited to stand**. Feel free to sit anytime during worship.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

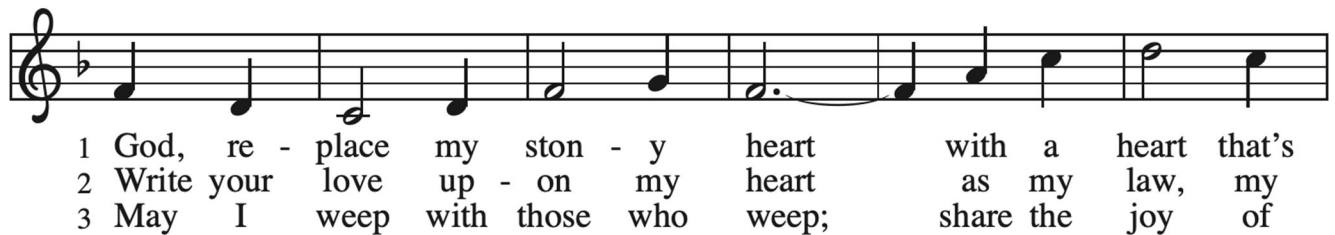
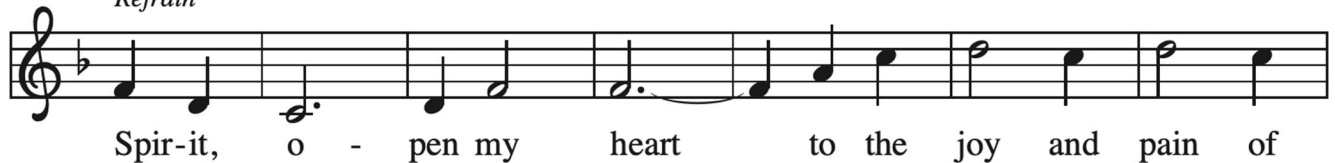
Welcome, Announcements & Call to Worship

GATHERING

Gathering Song: "Spirit, Open My Heart"

please stand as you are able

Refrain



Refrain



Confession and Forgiveness

L Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
by whose hand we are given new birth,
by whose speaking we are given new life.

C Amen.

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

L Most merciful God,

**C We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
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.
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.**

L God, who is rich in mercy,
loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
By grace you have been saved.
In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

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.

Kyrie

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Canticle of Praise: "Glory to God"

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four lines of music. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est. Peace be to you, peace be to me, peace be to all, peace to all the earth." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes, and rests. The final note of the fourth line is a whole note G, which is the final note of the piece.

Text: Marcus Veenstra; tr. composite

Music: GLORIA A DIOS, Marcus Veenstra; arr. Greg Scheer, b. 1966

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Prayer of the Day

C Almighty God,

**your blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ,
ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things.**

**Mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised,
he abides with us on earth to the end of time,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

you may be seated

Special Music: “Seek Ye First”

Sunday School Children (Sunday)

1st verse: Matthew 6:33

2nd verse: Matthew 7:7

3rd verse: Matthew 4:4

Music by Karen Lafferty

WORD

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

[Luke writes:] ¹In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

R Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

please stand as you are able

God is love. God is love; let us love one another as God first loved us. God is love. God is love.

Text: Mark Mummert, b. 1965, based on 1 John 4:11, 16, 19
Music: GOD IS LOVE, Mark Mummert
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Gospel: Luke 24:44-53

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 24th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴⁴[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

you may be seated

Children’s Sermon

Patty Koplitz, Director of Children, Family and Youth

Sermon

Rev. Jon Strasman, Pastor

Hymn of the Day: "For All the Faithful Women"

ELW #419

please stand as you are able



1 For all the faith-ful wom - en who served in days of old,
4 To Han - nah, pray - ing child - less be - fore the throne of grace,
5 For Ruth who left her home - land and ven - tured forth in faith,
11 For Eu - nice and for Lo - is, we sing our thanks and praise.



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.
you gave a son and called him to serve be - fore your face.
who pledged to serve and wor - ship Na - o - mi's God till death,
Young Tim - o - thy they nur - tured and led him in your ways.



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.
Grant us her per - se - ver - ance; Lord, teach us how to pray
we praise you, God of Is - rael, and pray for hearts set free
Raise up in ev - 'ry house - hold true tea - chers of your word



To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.
and trust in your de - liv' - rance when dark - ness hides our way.
to bind our - selves to oth - ers in love and loy - al - ty.
whose lives will bear clear wit - ness to Christ, our ris - en Lord.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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MEAL

The Offering

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Special Music: "Mothering God"

Choir (Sunday)

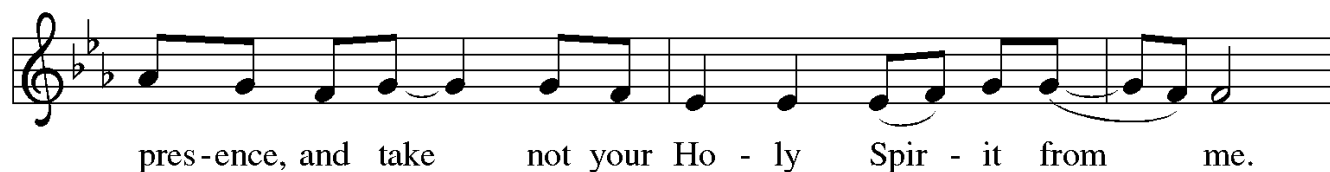
Words by Jean Janzen, based on Julian of Norwich (1342-1413)

Music by Carolyn Jennings

Arranged by Zebulon M. Highben

Offering Song: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

ELW #185



Offering Prayer

please stand as you are able

P Let us pray:

**C 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.
Amen.**

Words of Institution

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Lord's Prayer

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

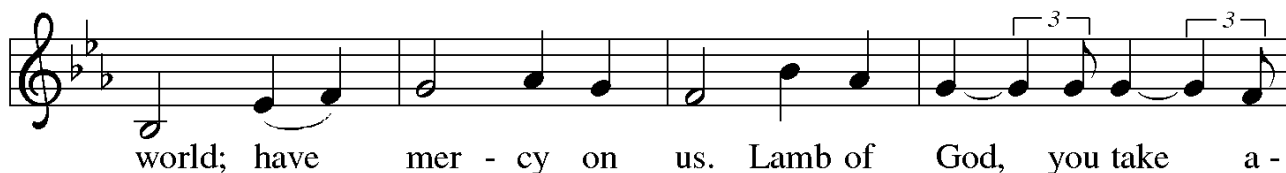
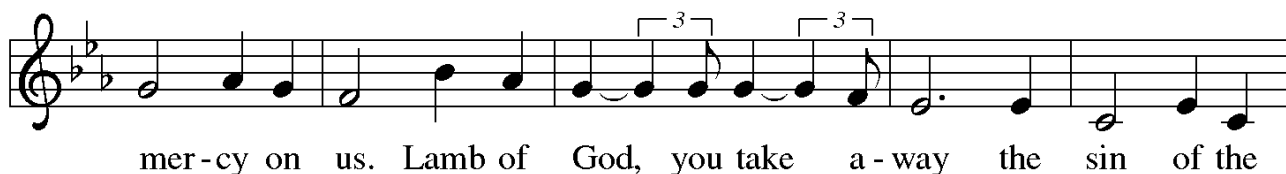
C **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine 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.

Communion Song: "Lamb of God"

you may be seated



Communion Song: "Blessing, Honor, and Glory"

ELW #433



Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry to the Lamb.



Ho - ly, righ - teous, wor - thy is the Lamb.



Death could not hold him down, for he is ris - en!



Seat-ed up - on the throne, he is the Lamb of God!



Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry to the Lamb. Ho - ly,



righ - teous, wor - thy is the Lamb of God.

Text: Geoff Bullock and David Reidy

Music: Geoff Bullock and David Reidy

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Communion Song: "Here Is Bread"

ELW #483



1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.
2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.
3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.



Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.
We'll pro - claim till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.



Refrain
In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is life for - ev - er.



In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950
Music: Graham Kendrick
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Table Blessing

please stand as you are able

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you always in God's grace.

C Amen

Prayer after Communion

P Let us pray:

C **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. Amen.**

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 Song: "This Is My Commandment"

This is my com-mand-ment, that you love one an - oth - er as

I have loved you, as I have lov-ed you. I have lov-ed you. No no no

no one has great-er love than this, no no no

no one has great-er love than this, to

lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends, so ___

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Dismissal

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**