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# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## MAY 21 & 22, 2022

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### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

#### Hymn

*Father Welcomes*

LSB 605

*Refrain*

*Father welcomes all His children  
To His fam'ly through His Son.  
Father giving His salvation,  
Life forever has been won.*

- 1 *Little children, come to Me,  
For My kingdom is of these.  
Life and love I have to give,  
Mercy for your sin. Refrain*

- 2 *In the water, in the Word,  
In His promise, be assured:  
Those who are baptized and believe  
Shall be born again. Refrain*

- 3 *Let us daily die to sin;  
Let us daily rise with Him,  
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,  
Live in the peace of God. Refrain*

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#### *Sunday* **Holy Baptism**

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## Introit

*Psalm 55:4, 16–18; antiphon: v. 22*

- P** Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;  
he will never permit the righteous to be moved.
- C** **My heart is in anguish within me;  
the terrors of death have fallen upon me.**
- P** But I call to God,  
and the LORD will save me.
- C** **Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan,  
and he hears my voice.**
- P** He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage,  
for many are arrayed against me.
- 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.**

**Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;  
he will never permit the righteous to be moved.**

## Kyrie

*LSB 204*

- C** *Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.*

## Gloria in Excelsis

*LSB 204*

*1 To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.*

*2 To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;*

*Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—*

*3 For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.*

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.  
O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

<sup>9</sup>A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle**

*Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27*

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— <sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

<sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

<sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup>and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand* **Alleluia and Verse** ♪

**C** *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

## Holy Gospel

*John 16:23–33*

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

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

<sup>23</sup>[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. <sup>24</sup>Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

<sup>25</sup>“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

<sup>29</sup>His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Nicene Creed

**C** **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

- 1 *Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice,  
With exultation springing,  
And with united heart and voice  
And holy rapture singing,  
Proclaim the wonders God has done,  
How His right arm the vict'ry won.  
What price our ransom cost Him!*
- 2 *Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay;  
Death brooded darkly o'er me.  
Sin was my torment night and day;  
In sin my mother bore me.  
But daily deeper still I fell;  
My life became a living hell,  
So firmly sin possessed me.*
- 3 *My own good works all came to naught,  
No grace or merit gaining;  
Free will against God's judgment fought,  
Dead to all good remaining.*

- My fears increased till sheer despair  
Left only death to be my share;  
The pangs of hell I suffered.*
- 4 *But God had seen my wretched state  
Before the world's foundation,  
And mindful of His mercies great,  
He planned for my salvation.  
He turned to me a father's heart;  
He did not choose the easy part  
But gave His dearest treasure.*
- 5 *God said to His beloved Son:  
"It's time to have compassion.  
Then go, bright jewel of My crown,  
And bring to all salvation.  
From sin and sorrow set them free;  
Slay bitter death for them that they  
May live with You forever."*

**Sermon****Hymn***Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice*

LSB 556 v. 6-10

- 6 *The Son obeyed His Father's will,  
Was born of virgin mother;  
And God's good pleasure to fulfill,  
He came to be my brother.  
His royal pow'r disguised He bore;  
A servant's form, like mine, He wore  
To lead the devil captive.*
- 7 *To me He said: "Stay close to Me,  
I am your rock and castle.  
Your ransom I Myself will be;  
For you I strive and wrestle.  
For I am yours, and you are Mine,  
And where I am you may remain;  
The foe shall not divide us.*
- 8 *"Though he will shed My precious blood,  
Me of My life bereaving,  
All this I suffer for your good;  
Be steadfast and believing.*

- Life will from death the vict'ry win;  
My innocence shall bear your sin,  
And you are blest forever.*
- 9 *"Now to My Father I depart,  
From earth to heav'n ascending,  
And, heav'nly wisdom to impart,  
The Holy Spirit sending;  
In trouble He will comfort you  
And teach you always to be true  
And into truth shall guide you.*
- 10 *"What I on earth have done and taught  
Guide all your life and teaching;  
So shall the kingdom's work be wrought  
And honored in your preaching.  
But watch lest foes with base alloy  
The heav'nly treasure should destroy;  
This final word I leave you."*

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Richard Massie, 1800-87, alt.  
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## *Stand* **Prayer of the Church**

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For hearts eager to pray to our heavenly Father for the good of our families, neighbors, rulers, brothers and sisters in Christ, pastors, and overseers, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the baptized; and for hearing hearts, prayerful lips and sacrificial lives, that the Church of God would be enriched unto the salvation of many, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For pastors to guard the gates of Christ's Church and to welcome those who draw near to her in faith, that the Church would be glorified according to God's holy will, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For our homes, that Christ would give them peace and enliven them with His resurrected life; that He would cause the forgiveness of sins to reign among husband and wives, parents and children; and that He would assure those who live alone that they, too, are His children, upheld by His right hand, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For good leaders and government in this and every place; for police, emergency personnel and disaster-relief workers; and for the members of the armed forces who defend us, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the faithful women of the Church, that they would eagerly and wisely serve her ministry as faithful Lydia served the mission of St. Paul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** To cast our burdens upon our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, and to ask for His salvation in the midst of our terrors and trials, [*especially those of \_\_\_\_\_*,] let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who commune this day, that they would receive our Lord's body and blood in repentance and faith for the forgiveness of sins, and in the unity of a true confession, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**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.**

## *Sit* **Offering**

*While we worship the Lord with our offerings, please write your names in the fellowship registers, indicating the date and time of the service you are attending. To help us serve you more effectively, please use the blanks provided to indicate a change in mailing address, phone numbers (home, work,*

cell, fax) or e-mail address(es). Please tear out the sheets with names on them and let them stick out of the top of the folder so that the ushers can collect them. Thank you!

## Stand Hymn

### *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

LSB 805

- 1 *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.*

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711  
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## Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** Amen.

## Benedicamus & Benediction

LSB 212

- A** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.
- 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.

## Hymn

### *Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise*

LSB 917

- 1 *Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise  
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;  
Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease,  
Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.*
- 2 *Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;  
With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day.  
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
That in this house have called upon Thy name.*
- 3 *Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;  
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light.  
From harm and danger keep Thy children free;  
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.*
- 4 *Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life,  
Our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife;  
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,  
Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## Special Prayers

Dennis Mahnken

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## Military Personnel & Their Families

*Please help us keep this list updated, if you know of any changes in status call the church office 965-3192.*

Justin Asbury    Casey Vallett    Matt Kraus    Bill Ingles    Tim Eichenseer    Justin Parker  
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## Mission Prayer

Remember God's work through missionaries on home service as you pray:

- that congregations and other groups would experience a revitalized interest in praying for missionaries and supporting their work, especially after visiting with them face-to-face and hearing about what God is accomplishing through them.

## Bible Readings

From *Lutheran Service Book* Daily Lectionary, pp. 299-304

Sunday, 5/22 .....Numbers 3:1-16, 39-48; Luke 14:25–15:10  
Monday, 5/23 .....Numbers 8:5-26; Luke 15:11-32  
Tuesday, 5/24 .....Numbers 9:1-23; Luke 16:1-18  
Wednesday, 5/25 .....Numbers 10:11-36; Luke 16:19-31  
Ascension Thursday, 5/26 ..... Numbers 11:1-23, 31-35; Luke 17:1-19  
Friday, 5/27 ..... Numbers 11:24-29; 12:1-16; Luke 17:20-37  
Saturday, 5/28 ..... Numbers 13:1-3, 17-33; Luke 18:1-17

## **Worship Service Schedule**

Saturday @ 6:00 p.m. & Sunday @ 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Bible Class @ 9:50 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study—@ 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Adult Choir Practice @ 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays

Handicapped Accessible Service—May 12<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.

**\*\*A video recording of the service will be posted on Facebook and YouTube. \*\***

## **Voters' Meeting—June 1, 7:00 p.m.**

**@ St. Mark's Church, Sanctuary**

### **Voting items on the agenda:**

- 2022-2023 Budget
- Church Ceiling Project
- Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School Association Membership

### **Wish List**

Items on this list are above and beyond what the budget allows for.

- **Church Ceiling Repair & Painting**—The bid we have received is over \$100,000 to sandblast the ceiling and repaint the church.
- **Building & Maintenance Savings**—Our Building & Maintenance Savings account is getting low and needs to be replenished to allow the Board of Trustees to keep our church and school running safely and efficiently.

### **Home Visits**

If you would like home and/or hospital visits from Pastor Mark, please call the church office to be added to the list. He will visit any interested members as his schedule allows.

## **Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School**

**Congratulations 2022 Graduates!** May God bless you as you start the next chapters of your lives.

**COS Annual Rummage Sale:** Our annual rummage sale will be July 15 & 16. Clean, saleable items may be brought to school during business hours starting June 13. If you need help transporting your donation to school, please call.

**Sponsor a Thrivent Action Team:** If you would like to organize or participate in a Thrivent Action Team to benefit *COS*, please call us to let us know what you would like to do. We can help you fill out the application.

**School Visitors:** The office is open Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. The office will be closed on May 30. Summer hours will be in from June 1 to July 31. Summer hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to noon.

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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Our mission is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, through worship, education, outreach, fellowship, and service.

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### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Saturdays @ 6:00 p.m.

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.

Accessible Service @ 10:00 a.m. on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays

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### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Holy Communion is celebrated the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month at the 9:00 a.m. service and at the 6:00 p.m. Saturday evening service.

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## **ST. MARK'S IS A MEMBER CONGREGATION & SCHOOL OF**



*We believe and confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church is faithful and true to the Bible and we strive for a balanced Law/Gospel practice of same.*