

✠ Sixth Sunday of Easter ✠

May 10, 2026

8:15 AM & 10:45 AM



*Gathering People to Christ,  
Building Believers in Christ,  
Serving the World as Christ*



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## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION . . .

The word “Sacrament” means that God is at work here. A Sacrament is an act of God, not just a pious ritual of the Church. What God does here is present us with the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, “in, with, and under” the bread and wine. It is more than just a reminder or a symbol of Christ. It is Christ. And so the proper approach is one of repentance for sin, and trust in God’s promise. “He is truly worthy who has faith in the words: Given and shed *for you*,” as Dr. Luther often said. We ask those who have never communed with us to please speak with the pastor before doing so. Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

**Welcome:** Throughout our lives, we look for a helper. Maybe that’s a parent who can hold our hand to cross the street, a spouse who can open the pickle jar, or an expert who delivers wisdom we don’t have. Our Lord Jesus Christ sends us a helper, the promised Holy Spirit. The Spirit opens our heart to faith and then fills it with heavenly wisdom. Present in our Baptism and present today in worship, the Spirit keeps our hand firmly in our Savior’s, so that linked by love, we can walk confidently in His promises.

**Assisted Listening Devices:** are available for those who have trouble hearing the service. Please see an usher to use one.

**Communication Cards:** Please fill out the bright yellow communication cards located by the bulletins as you enter. If you are a visitor or your address has changed, please include that in the space provided. Prayer requests for next week may be written on the back.

**Communion Procedure:** Ushers will release one side at a time from the middle. The pulpit side will fill in the front starting at the side closest to the street and fill in all the way to the other wall. The lectern side does the same

in reverse—start from the wall closest to the lectern and fill in the entire way across to the other wall. **Grape juice** is in the outer ring and **is lighter** in color than the wine. The **wine is darker** in color. After communing, return to your seat via the *side* aisle. The entire congregation will be dismissed after all have communed. There are baskets for the used communion cups hanging on the outside edge of the first pew. If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, alert an usher and the Pastor will bring communion to you.

**Cushions** are available for those who may need them; ask an usher for assistance.

**Nursery Welcomes Your Child:** The church nursery is available during both Sunday worship services and Sunday school for preschool age children and younger. The nursery is staffed with a professional Nanny. It is located to the right as you enter the building, just past the coat room.

**Quiet Room:** The Luther Room (located at the end of the hall to the left as you enter the building) is available for use as a “quiet room.” It is equipped with comfortable chairs and a TV that shows the service.

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**Members and Visitors:** *Please take a moment to fill out the bright yellow Guest & Member Communication Cards and place it in the offering plate during the Offering time. Thank You.*

## Prelude

## "In the Garden"

arr. Joel Raney

## Welcome

*Stand*

## Hymn

## "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

LSB 807, vss. 1-5

## Invocation

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

—Matt. 28:19b

**C** Amen.

## Memory Verse

John 14:1-3

**C** <sup>1</sup> "Let not your hearts be \_\_\_\_\_. Believe in God; believe also in Me. <sup>2</sup> In My Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to Myself, that where I am you may be also.

## Confession and Absolution

LSB 151

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

<sup>1</sup> John 1:8-9

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination*

**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.

—John 20:19-23

**C** Amen.

## Kyrie

LSB 152



**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

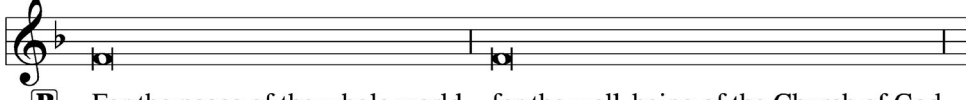
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



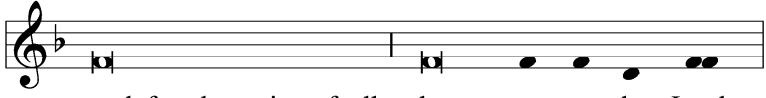
**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



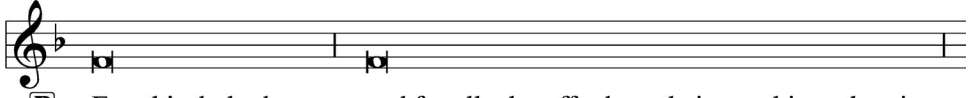
**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



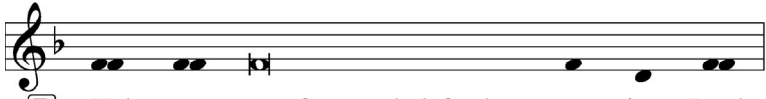
**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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



**C** A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so 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.

**Hymn**

**“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

**LSB 805**

*Sit*

**First Reading: Acts 17:16–31**

<sup>16</sup>While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. <sup>18</sup>Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection.

<sup>19</sup>And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? <sup>20</sup>For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.”

<sup>21</sup>Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

<sup>22</sup>So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to

you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, <sup>25</sup>nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. <sup>26</sup>And He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, <sup>27</sup>that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward Him and find Him. Yet He is actually not far from each one of us, <sup>28</sup>for

“In Him we live and move and have our being”;

as even some of your own poets have said, “For we are indeed His offspring.”

<sup>29</sup>Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. <sup>30</sup>The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now He commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because He has fixed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom He has appointed; and of this He has given assurance to all by raising Him from the dead.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13–22

<sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. <sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He

might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which He went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to Him.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Special Music

**"Mercies Anew"** by Bob Kauflin and Mark Altrogge

Milly Myers, soprano; Ilene Myers, alto; Strings: Aubrey Burdett, Ellen Burdett, Jason Burdett, Julia Burdett, Grace Myers; Sue Anderson, piano

*Stand*

### Holy Gospel: John 14:15–21

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

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

<sup>15</sup>[Jesus said:] "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup>even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>Yet a little while and the

world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you also will live.

<sup>20</sup>In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.

<sup>21</sup>Whoever has My commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."

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

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

## Nicene Creed

**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 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.**

*Sit*

**Children's Message**

Bob Brantsch, DCE

**Hymn**

**"How Firm a Foundation"**

**LSB 728, vss. 1-4**

**Sermon**

**Suffering While Saved**

**Offering:** We will pass the offering plate to collect your offerings and Guest & Member Communication Cards (yellow sheets). We have three options for online giving available on our website <https://www.gloriadeihudson.org>. Scroll down to the "Online Giving" section and you will see Simply Giving, PayPal, and Venmo.

**Offertory**

**"Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone" arr. Richard Huggins**

*Stand*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Prayers of the Church**

**A** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

O Triune God, You have placed Your name on us in Holy Baptism, making us Yours and saving us from death and darkness. Teach us to quiet our consciences with the assurance of all You have accomplished for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** O Triune God, we proclaim Your name in a world that does not yet know You. Bless all who bring Your Gospel to new places, and make us fit proclaimers in our homes and neighborhoods, that our words and works would witness to Jesus Christ, the risen one.  
Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** O Triune God, Your grace makes a home for us within Your kingdom. We pray for orphans, the widowed, the homeless, and the lonely who do not currently know the warmth of home and family. Surround them with Your care and send us to show them Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** O Triune God, those marked by Your name are not immune from suffering. We lift up to You those who are struggling, sick, and grieving. Be the helper they need most.  
Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** O Triune God, we rejoice in Your faithfulness. Make Your dwelling in us, and keep us in faith until the day of Christ's returning.

**C** Amen.

### Lord's Prayer

**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**

### Preface

LSB 160



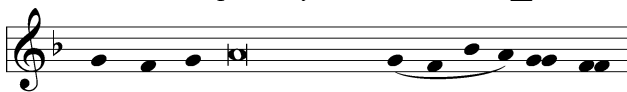
**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



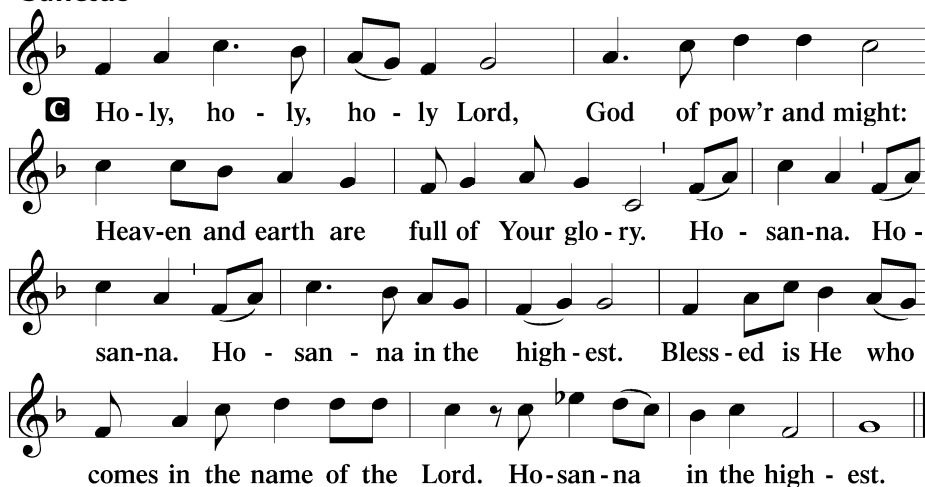
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 161



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. 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.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Words of Institution

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## Proclamation of Christ

—1 Corinthians 11:26 | —Revelation 22:20

**A** As often as we eat of this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace  $\text{✠}$  of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 163

**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Hymn

“Be Still, My Soul”

LSB 752, vss. 1–4

Hymn

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

LSB 770, vss. 1–3

*Stand*

Communion Dismissal

Post-Communion Canticle

"Thank the Lord"

LSB 164



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

**A** 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 in 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.

Benediction

**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

Memory Verse

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Hymn

"God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

LSB 594, vss. 1-5

Postlude

"Festal Fanfare"

by Steven Scott