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Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled



JOHN 14:1

5 EASTER

MAY 3, 2026 ✉ 9:30 AM

PREACHING TODAY:
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**WELCOME TO ALL
who join us today for worship!**

Most everything you need is printed in this bulletin. Hymns are found in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) hymnal.

- **Rest room facilities** are located in the hallway south of the Atrium.
- **Large print bulletins and hearing enhancement devices** are available. Please ask an Usher for assistance.
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*** The congregation please stand as you are able.**

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MUSIC FOR GATHERING

My Peace I Leave With You - Lani Smith
Trumpet Tune on "Gaudeamus Pariter" - David Lasky
Joanne Vasey, organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

We Are Marching in the Light
SIYAHAMBA; South African Traditional
Children & Family Choir with Youth Drumming Ensemble
Joanne Vasey, piano

* THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

C **Amen.**

P Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.

P Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

C **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P Jesus Christ,

you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

C **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P Holy Spirit,

you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

C **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P Holy One,
 we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation.
 We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

C Amen.

* **GATHERING HYMN** *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* - ELW # 645

* **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** *Lord, Have Mercy* ELW pp. 138-139

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, 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 worship and praise,

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

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

* HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW pp. 140-141

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

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

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

P Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Acts 7:55-60

⁵⁵ Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” ⁵⁷ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸ Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him, and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10

² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴ Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷ This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,” ⁸ and

“A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



* THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:1-14

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the fourteenth chapter:

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

Jesus said to the disciples: ¹ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Charlene Rineer

SERMON

The Rev. Katy Moran

* HYMN OF THE DAY

You Are the Way - ELW # 758

* THE APOSTLE'S CREED

P Living together in trust and hope with believers around the world, we confess our common faith:

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

P God of glory, you have built your church on Christ the cornerstone. Inspire lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops to proclaim forgiveness and your steadfast love to all whom they encounter. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A God of majesty, you bring forth plants and animals, skies and seas, mountains and valleys. Protect all you have made from the ravages of pollution and climate disaster. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P God of mercy, you intend governments and social service agencies to be instruments of peace and justice. Guide political leaders and organizations to be agents of compassion, and raise up advocates for those who seek refuge and assistance. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A God of well-being, you soothe those in distress, console all who grieve, provide for any in need, and comfort those who are sick especially those we name aloud or in our hearts (*brief pause*). Instill caregivers with a sense of purpose to be your healing hands in this world. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P God of community, you call us together as your people for mutual support and to witness to your love in the world. Make your presence known among those unable to attend worship today. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A God of eternal life, you have prepared dwelling places for your people, so that we are never separated from you. We give you thanks for the faithful departed who witnessed to your mighty acts in word and deed. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

P God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.
C **Amen.**

* SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

(Worshippers are encouraged to share the greeting "Peace be with you" with one another.)

OFFERTORY INTERLUDE

Peace Descending - Franklin Ritter
Joanne Vasey, organ

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* DOXOLOGY

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds – ELW #367 (Stanza 4)

**Adoring praises now we bring
and with the heav'nly blessed sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
Be to the Father, and our Lord,
to Spirit blessed, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus,
C **Amen.**

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

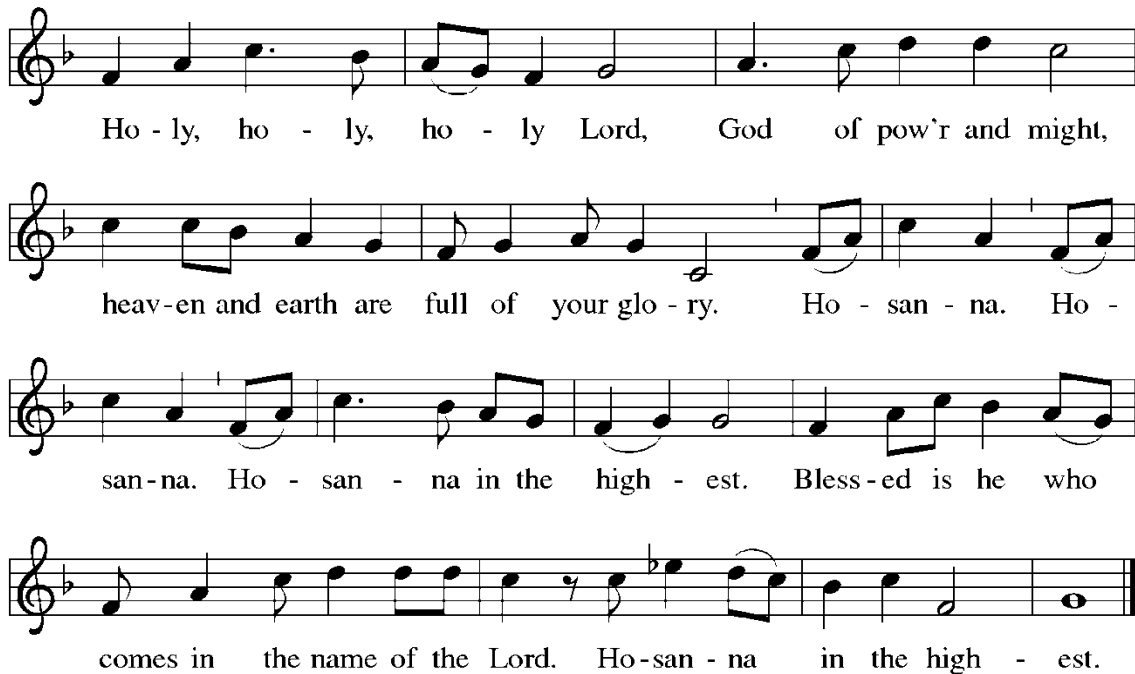
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to You, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with the earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and angels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

*** SANCTUS**

ELW p. 144



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.

P Holy God, mighty and merciful, your people praise you, saying:
Your mercy endures forever.

C Your mercy endures forever.

P By your promise you bound yourself to earth and all its creatures,
granting them life and calling them to flourish,
setting the sign of your bow in the clouds,
the colors of your love and faithfulness.
Your mercy endures forever.

C Your mercy endures forever.

P By your promise you bound yourself to your people of old,
blessing them with family outnumbering the stars
and calling them to be a blessing to others,
showing them steadfast love in every generation
and calling them to be a light to the nations.
Your mercy endures forever.

C Your mercy endures forever.

P By your promise you joined us to Jesus, your Beloved,
grafting us into your living vine,
and calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love.

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.

P 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.

P 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.**

P Send your Holy Spirit upon us and these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless us to be a blessing. Make us a sign of your faithfulness.
Send us to tend and cherish the earth and to serve the world with mercy and love.

P With all the saints in light, with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus,
in your Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.**

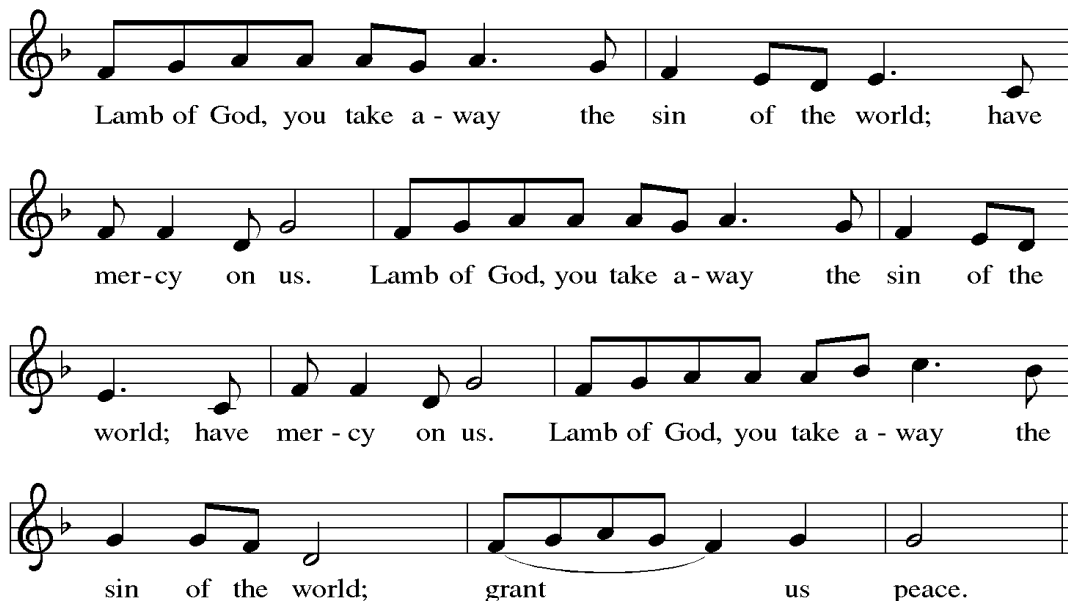
* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI

ELW P. 146



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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

O Jesus, I Have Promised - ELW # 810

Text: John E. Bode Music: Meiningen

Pop-Up Choir

(All interested singers welcome! All ages and experience levels. Simply come forward and grab a binder. Folks not comfortable singing an alto, tenor or bass part may stay on the familiar melody.)

COMMUNION HYMN

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing - ELW # 389

* POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C **Amen.**

* POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

C **Amen.**

* BENEDICTION

P God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

* **SENDING HYMN** *Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks - WOV # 671 (Blue hymnal)*

* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

* POSTLUDE

*Heavenward - John Troutman
Joanne Vasey, organ*

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THANKS to The Children & Family Choir, Youth Drumming Ensemble and Pop-Up Choir for providing today's anthems for worship. Thanks to Megan Hauck for her assistance with the Youth Drumming Ensemble.

Mini-Music Sunday with Pop-Up Orchestra Coming May 31

Get your old band or orchestra instrument out of the closet and plan now to participate! All ages and experience levels welcome. Music will be provided ahead of time for individuals to practice on their own. More info will be forthcoming. Also hoping to have anthems by many of our choirs and ensembles. If interested in playing in the Pop-Up Orchestra, please contact Joanne and Brandy.

May 3–May 10, 2026

Sunday, May 3 5 Easter Pastor Katy preaching	9:30am Holy Communion 10:45am Sunday School 4:30pm Trivia Night - MLC
Monday, May 4	8:30am –4:30pm Transitions -Parlor 6:30pm Parish Peal Handbell Choir 7:00pm –8:00pm Al-Anon-YR 7:15pm Parish Choir
Tuesday, May 5	2:00pm –4:00pm Transitions - LCH
Wednesday, May 6	9:00am Holy Sew 'N' Sews-LCH 12:00pm –2:00pm Pre-school event - LCH
Thursday, May 7	9:30am Ladies Bible Study - Rm. 204-206 6:00pm Ladies Bible Study - Rm. 204-206 6:30pm Worship & Music Committee
Friday, May 8	
Saturday, May 9	10:00am –1:00pm UYG Road Cleanup/Lunch @CELC
Sunday, May 10 6 Easter Pastor Justin preaching	Deadline for Geranium orders Mother's Day - cake & flowers for Moms 9:30am Holy Communion 10:45am Sunday School 1:00pm –4:00pm SVSWG - LCH/Room 202

ATTENDANCE: April 26, 2026: 9:30am: 100

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