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**Sixth Sunday of Easter - Mother's Day** **May 10, 2026**

\* Stand as you are able

## GATHERING

### INVOCATION \*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM\*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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

**Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

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.

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

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.

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

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.

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

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, in the forgiveness of sin, life and salvation.

We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### GATHERING HYMN\*

ELW # 408 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

### GREETING\*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## **KYRIE\*** (pages 138-139 in front of hymnal)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

### **Lord have mercy.**

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

### **Lord have mercy.**

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 mercy.**

For his holy house, and for all who offer their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

### **Lord have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen**

## **Hymn of Praise\***- Pages 139-140 in front of hymnal

### **Prayer of the Day .**

**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.**

**Amen.**

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

### **Acts 17:22-31**

<sup>22</sup> Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. <sup>23</sup> For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an 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, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup> nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup> From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup> so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is 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, too, are his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup> “Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. <sup>30</sup> While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup> because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

**P: The Word of the Lord:**

**C: Thanks be to God**

## **PSALM 66:8-20**

- <sup>8</sup> Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.
- <sup>9</sup> **Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.**
- <sup>10</sup> For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- <sup>11</sup> **You brought us in to the net; you laid heavy burdens up- on our backs.**
- <sup>12</sup> You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water,  
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- <sup>13</sup> **I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows—**
- <sup>14</sup> those that I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- <sup>15</sup> **I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the smoke of rams;  
I will give you oxen and goats.**
- <sup>16</sup> Come and listen, all you who believe, and I will tell you what God has done for me.
- <sup>17</sup> **I called out to God with my mouth, and praised the Lord with my tongue.**
- <sup>18</sup> If I had cherished evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me;
- <sup>19</sup> **but in truth God has heard me and has attended to the sound of my prayer.**
- <sup>20</sup> Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld unfailing love from me.

## **1 Peter 3:13-22**

<sup>13</sup> Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, <sup>15</sup> but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, <sup>16</sup> yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. <sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup> in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup> who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup> And baptism, which this prefigured, 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 made subject to him.

**P: The Word of the Lord**

**C: Thanks be to God**

## **Gospel Acclamation \* (pg. 142 sing together)**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia

## **P: THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 14:15-21\***

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>15</sup>“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

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

## **Sermon**

### **Hymn of the Day \***

ELW #594 (verses 1, 7, 8) “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”

**The Apostles’ Creed \*** (Printed inside the back cover of the hymnal.)

## **Welcome to our WTKM radio and online worshipers, Good News and Prayer Petitions**

### **Prayers of the Church**

Response P: Merciful God. **C: Receive our Prayer**

### **Sharing the Peace**

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**  
(you are encouraged to turn to one another and share the peace of the Lord.)

## **Offering Hymn \***

ELW # 182 "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

## **Offering Prayer \***

**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 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, Amen.**

## **MEAL**

### **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.**

### **The Preface \***

P: Lord, it is indeed right and our joy that at all times and in all places we give thanks and praise to you. And so with the angels and archangels and with the church on earth and in heaven, we give glory to you O God, through Jesus Christ, as we praise your name and join in the unending hymn:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest (pg. 144 ELW)**

### **The Words of Institution\***

### **The Lord's Prayer \***

### **Invitation to Communion**

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

### **Hymn**

Page 146 of hymnal

### **Distribution**

### **Communion Hymn**

ELW # 781 "Children of the Heavenly Father"

# SENDING

## Communion Blessing \*

### Prayer After Communion \*

**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, Amen.**

### Blessing \*

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.  
Amen.

### Sending Hymn \*

ELW # 419 (verses 1, 4, 6, 11) “For All the Faithful Women”

### Dismissal \*

**P: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!**  
**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Redeemer Announcements

- Today's Lector is Kurt Hintz, and our ushers is Don Horen.
- Next week's Lector is Scott Lopas and our ushers are Bruce and Lori Horst.
- Pastor will be in the office on **Thursday May 14th** from 9:00am - 12:00pm. Appointments are appreciated, but not necessary. If you wish to meet with Pastor at other times, please contact him directly. Looking ahead, he will be in the office **Thursdays from 9am-12pm.**
- Women's Ministry will be meeting **Monday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 12pm**
- There is an Ecumenical Chapel Service at The Gardens **Thursday, May 21 at 1:30pm**
- Our next "Conversations with God" will be **May 28<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

### Ministry Partners

- Special Giving for May is Casa Guadalupe
- Community Lunch will be served on **Saturday, May 30th**, 11:30am, at First United Methodist Church. Fellowship prior to lunch.
- Lincoln Elementary School

In the Nest:

- Casa Guadalupe English Language Learners "ELL" meets Monday & Wednesdays from 6-7:30PM.
- Al-Anon Meetings are held Thursdays at 7:00PM.
- Girl Scouts meet the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays.

### The Needs of Our Partners:

#### Lincoln Elementary School.

**Snacks** include: Goldfish, Individually wrapped food items, Animal Crackers, and Granola Bars.. **NO NUTS**  
**Food Drive/Pantry:** cereal, shelf stable microwave meals, canned goods and mac and cheese with cheese sauce.

#### Casa Guadalupe

**Snacks** Kid snacks – **NO NUTS**, Fruit cups, cereal, canned goods.  
**Other Items:** Books (gently used is okay), new toys.

See The Herald and the giving tree in the coffee area for these and other needs.

**PLEASE JOIN US AFTER TODAY'S SERVICE FOR COFFEE AND SNACKS  
IN THE GATHERING ROOM**