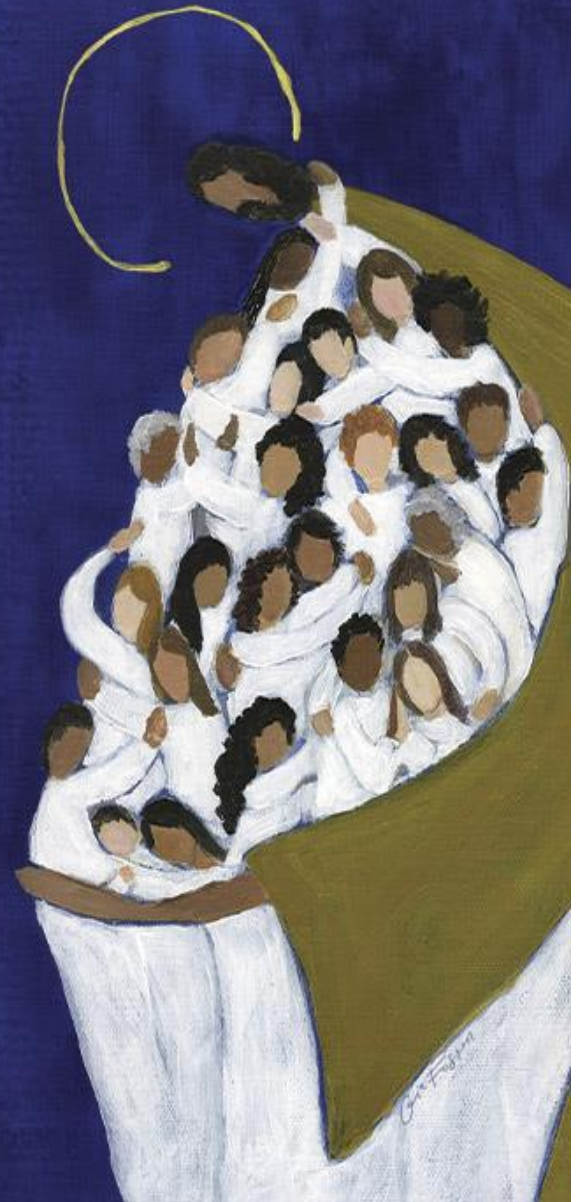


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**Because
I live,
you also
will live**

JOHN 14:19



Sunday, May 10, 2026
The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Announcements

Congregation please stand

OPENING/CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Bless the Lord, O people, sing!

C: Let the sound of praise ring out.

P: Come and hear what the Lord has done,

C: the Lord who has made everything!

From: *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion – Year A, Vol. 1*, ed. Kimberly Bracken Long, p. 157.

PREPARING

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P God has opened to us the gates of righteousness
that we may enter through them.

Confident in God's love, let us confess our sin.

C **Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit
we have been raised from the waters of baptism
to share in your glorious resurrection.
Yet we have not lived as Easter people.
We are unsure of your promise,
confused about your will,
and afraid in the face of danger.
Like Mary, we weep at the tomb,
but do not recognize your presence.
Call us by name, risen Lord,
that we may know you with confidence.
Whenever we are tempted to fear death,
give us courage to confess your Easter victory.
Whenever we are distracted by petty conflicts,
Keep our minds on your reconciling love.
Whenever we are overwhelmed by the power of evil,
reveal again to us your triumph
over the destructive powers of oppression.
Forgive our sin
and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation,
through the love of God and by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

P God who raised Jesus from the dead
has not given us over to death.
In the name of Jesus Christ,
we are forgiven.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

ELW 408

Come, Thou Almighty King

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be

help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
 our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
 in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
 hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in

to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
 ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.
 Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716-1796

APOSTOLIC 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*Congregation will sing all of the Kyrie in unison.*

The image shows a musical score for a Kyrie, consisting of three staves of music. Each staff is in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff has the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy." The second staff has the lyrics "Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy." The third staff has the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy." The music is written in a simple, unison style suitable for congregational singing.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Hymn of Praise



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

Prayer of the Day

Loving God, in whom we live and move and have our being, help us to choose life in you, that we may keep the commands of Jesus, follow the promptings of the Holy Spirit, and witness to the hope that is within us, sharing Christ's love in the world.

Amen.

Please be seated

WORD

First Reading

Ezekiel 43: 1-7a

¹ Then he brought me to the gate, the gate facing east. ² And there the glory of the God of Israel was coming from the east; the sound was like the sound of mighty waters, and the earth shone with his glory. ³ The vision I saw was like the vision that I had seen when he came to destroy the city and like the vision that I had seen by the River Chebar, and I fell upon my face. ⁴ As the glory of the LORD entered the temple by the gate facing east, ⁵ the spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court, and the glory of the LORD filled the temple.

⁶ While the man was standing beside me, I heard someone speaking to me out of the temple. ^{7a} He said to me: "Mortal, this is the place of my throne and the place for the soles of my feet, where I will reside among the people of Israel forever."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66: 8-20



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

Second Reading**Acts 17: 22-31**

²² Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. ²³ 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. ²⁴ 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, ²⁵ 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. ²⁶ 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, ²⁷ 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. ²⁸ 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.’

²⁹ “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. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ 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.”

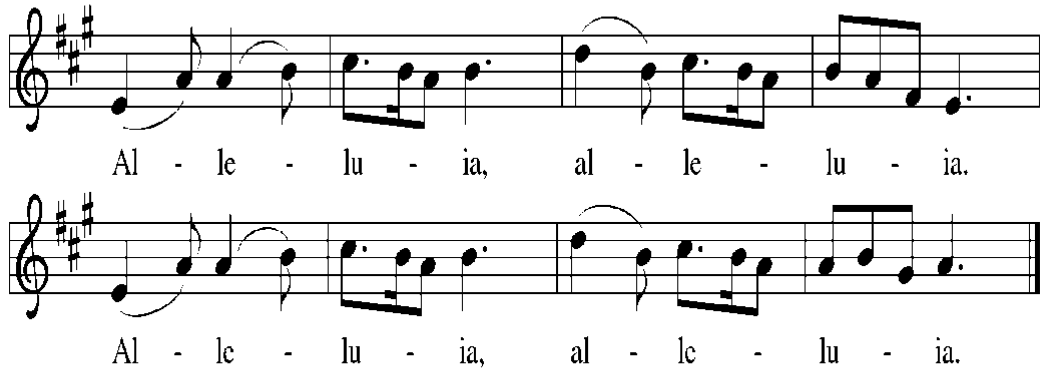
Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Congregation please stand

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below each staff.

Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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Verse: The right hand of God raised me up,
The hand of the Lord has triumphed.
I shall never die;
I shall live telling his deeds.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 14: 15-21

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ 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.

¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ 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.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Jennifer

Hymn of the Day

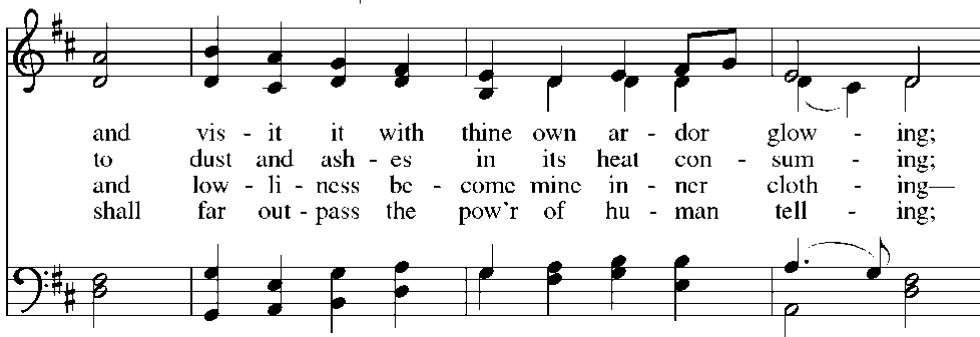
“Come Down, O Love Divine”

ELW 804

Come Down, O Love Divine



1 Come down, O Love di - vine; seek thou this soul of mine
 2 Oh, let it free - ly burn, till world - ly pas - sions turn
 3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty mine out - ward ves - ture be,
 4 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,



and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 and low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing—
 shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;



O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 true low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler part,
 no soul can guess Love's grace till it be - come the place



and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 and o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.

Text: Bianco da Siena, d. 1434; tr. Richard F. Littledale, 1833–1890
 Music: DOWN AMPNEY, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958
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Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Sign of Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Prayers of Intercession

Let us unite our hearts in prayer, trusting in the power of Christ’s resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world.

A brief silence.

God of new life, you call us through the waters of baptism to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ’s righteousness throughout the world.
.....God of Resurrection,
hear our prayer.

You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water. Raise up people to be good stewards of the Earth’s resources and share in its abundance.....God of Resurrection,
hear our prayer.

We pray for all who suffer the violence and scars of war. We pray for the nations of the world and their leaders, that they may resist the corruption of sin and serve the common good. You set civil servants in the places where we live. Instill truth and equity among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations.....God of Resurrection,
hear our prayer.

You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal those who are sick, shelter any who are unhoused, feed those undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill. We pray for Shirley, Allan, Charlotte, Jack, Cathy, Roxy, Karen, Darlene, Ron, Chuck, Jessie, Helen, Carol, Millie, Lillian, Marian, Peggy, Glenn, Lisa and Sandy.....God of Resurrection,
hear our prayer.

You are love and you desire that we love one another. As a mother hen cares for her chicks, bless all who provide motherly care in our lives, and inspire us to care for one anotherGod of Resurrection
hear our prayer.

God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of the faithful departed, who clung to your promises of life, forgiveness of sins, and salvation.....God of Resurrection,
hear our prayer.

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.
Amen.

Stewardship Snippet: John 14: 18 – “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you.”

Jesus does not abandon his followers. Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation. As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth. We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.

Lector - We will now worship God with our offering.

Offertory

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Offering Song



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927

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MEAL

P Let us pray,

C Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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 earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
 God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
 You are most holy,
 and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
 so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
 but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
 to fulfill for us your holy will
 and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
 we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
 his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
 and the promise of his coming again,
 we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
 not as we ought but as we are able;

we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
 and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
 and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
 so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
 may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
 and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
 may be formed to live as your holy people
 and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.
 Amen.

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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**

P So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a while; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who are wandering still.

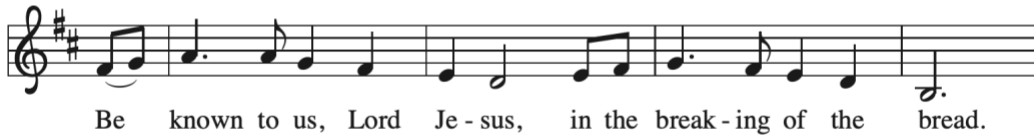
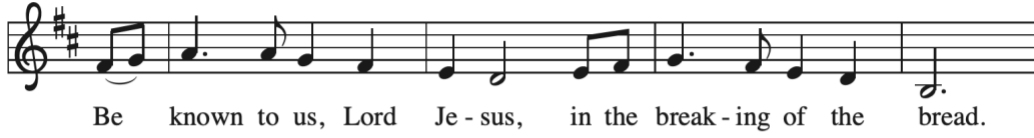
Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Amen.

Please be seated

Christ Lutheran Church

Be Known to us, Lord Jesus



Holy Communion

Prepackaged communion is available for those who wish to remain in the pews.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

ELW 515, 522, 529

Congregation please stand

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

C Amen.



1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,
 2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
 till earth-ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
 till rap-tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin-ing shore,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 where Christ, the bless-ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

Post Communion Prayer

P Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

Charge

P God has heard you and given heed to your prayers.
Therefore, go in peace to serve Christ,
and always be eager to do what is good.

Blessing

P May God, who creates, redeems, and sustains,
keep you steadfast in faith, buoyant in hope,
and abounding in love.
And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Dismissal

P Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Sending Hymn

“Savior, Again to Your Dear Name”

ELW 534

Savior, Again to Your Dear Name

1 Sav - ior, a - gain to your dear name we raise
 2 Grant us your peace up - on our home - ward way;
 3 Grant us your peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;
 4 Grant us your peace through - out our earth - ly life,

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
 with you be - gan, with you shall end the day;
 for us trans - form its dark - ness in - to light.
 our balm in sor - row, and our stay in strife;

once more we bless you ere our wor - ship cease,
 guard all the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
 Keep us from harm and dan - ger till the dawn;
 then, when your voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

then, low - ly bend - ing, wait your word of peace.
 that in this house have called up - on your name.
 your eve - ning pres - ence prom - ise to your own.
 call us, O Lord, to your e - ter - nal peace.

Text: John Ellerton, 1826–1893, alt.

Music: ELLERS, Edward J. Hopkins, 1818–1901; arr. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900

P We at Christ Lutheran Church are
C **God's called, Loved Children who serve.**

P Go in Peace. The living Word dwells in you.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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The Altar Flowers are Presented to the Glory of God
By Joe & Lillian Kistler
In Loving Memory of their Mothers.

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Lector/prayers – Judy Swartz
Next Sunday – Joe Abate

Wine – Cindy Brookhart
Next Sunday- Jean Tota

Grape Juice – Jean Tota
Next Sunday – Becky Yohe

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Next Sunday – Barbara Still

Counters – Charlene Lentvorsky, Velma Wittlinger
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Ernie Meisel, Sue Masser, Kendra Masser

SUNDAY, May 10th, 2026

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Worship service – 11:00am – Holy Communion
Happy Mother's Day
Bible Study – 7pm - Zoom

MONDAY, 11th, 2026

Finance Meeting – 7pm - Zoom

TUESDAY, May 12th 2026

Bible Study – 1pm - Zoom
Learn to Crochet Class – 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY, May 13th, 2026

Hiker Meals Begin – 5-7pm
Birthday – Connie Kenee

THURSDAY, May 14th, 2026

LWR Quilters – 1:00pm
Church Council Meeting – 6:30pm

FRIDAY, May 15th, 2026

Anniversary – Barb & Adam Still

SATURDAY, May 16th, 2026SUNDAY, May 17th, 2026

The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Worship service – 11:00 am - Holy Communion
Bible Study – 7:00pm – Zoom.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Noisy Offering Reminder – Next week is Noisy Offering Sunday.

Harshbarger's May Fundraiser – This fundraiser offers a way to enjoy some of the delicious food you've eaten at Harshbarger's in the convenience of your own home! (Ice cream excluded.) You are able to order from a variety of subs, sandwiches, salads, pizzas, homemade bread, pies, sticky buns and apple dumplings. You will also be able to purchase gift cards that can be used when you go to Harshbarger's in person. Please see Becky Yohe for an order form. Orders & payment are due May 17th. Delivery will be May 28th.

Social Ministry Project for May & June – We will be collecting the following items for the Duncannon Senior Center: toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, dish soap, cleaning supplies, shampoo, body or hand lotion.

Learn to Crochet Class - Our own experts, Terry Kuhn and Becky Yohe will be hosting a beginners class to teach attendees how to crochet an afghan square. Our hope is that we will be able to make enough squares to create a CLC blanket that can be sent to the 2026 Memorial Blanket project! Our first session will take place on Tuesday, May 12 at 7:00 at the church. All are welcome for this time of fun and fellowship!

Field Trip to CLC Harrisburg - On Tuesday, May 26, you are invited to join us as we visit the historic Christ Lutheran Church in Harrisburg to learn more about their medical and dental clinics which are offered on site through the church's ministry to serve those in the local community. We will meet at 12:00 at Christ, Duncannon and travel together to Harrisburg. Our tour appointment is at 1:30. If you would like to join us for the tour, please RSVP to Pastor Jenn.

May Meetings/Events

May 11 – Finance committee meeting – 7pm – Zoom

May 13 – AT Hiker Spaghetti Dinners begin. 5-7pm

May 14 – Church Council meeting – 6:30pm

May 26 – Bible Study – **11am** - Zoom

Visit to Christ Lutheran Church, Harrisburg to tour the medical & dental clinic.

Community Outreach committee meeting – 7pm – Zoom

GOSPEL MESSAGE

May 10, 2026

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Perspective of Love

It has been said that, on our journey of discipleship, each of us receives new eyeglasses. These glasses have a prescription that filters out all the cobwebs and distractions, giving us the ability to see everything through love. If we wonder what a particular scripture passage means, we read and interpret it through love. If we wonder how to make a big decision, we discern it through love. If we wonder how to respond to a challenging person or situation, we consider responses through the perspective of love.

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments,” Jesus says to his disciples (John 14:15). Loving Jesus means keeping his commandments, and keeping his commandments means loving: loving God, loving our neighbors as ourselves, and seeing our neighbors and ourselves in the same way our God of grace and forgiveness sees us.

We are not left on our own to maintain this perspective of love in all that we see, think, say, and do. Jesus promises that he and the Holy Spirit will not only be alongside us but will also live in us forever.

