

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE SERVICE 4)

APRIL 28, 2024
8:00 AND 11:00

WELCOME GUESTS If you're looking for a church home, we hope you'll consider Redeemer. Check out the resources on the information cart, the library in the narthex, or www.redeemer-lutheran.net. If you have questions about this congregation or about the Lutheran Church, feel free to ask an usher or the Pastor. Please fill out a fellowship card (found in this worship bulletin) and drop it in today's collection plate, providing a phone number and e-mail address. To offer a special public thanksgiving prayer or for those in need, please fill out a blue "Prayer Card" found in the narthex. Give the card to an usher or place it in the offering plate. Large print versions of this bulletin are available upon request at the ushers' station. Thank you for worshiping with us.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING

Heavenly Father, You command that all who trust in You pray prayers of thanksgiving and mercy. In addition to this clear command, You promise, for the sake of Jesus, to hear our prayers and abide with us always. In the name of the true Vine, Jesus Christ, my Savior. Amen.

PRAYER WITH CHRIST AND WITHOUT HIM *"If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you."* –John 15:7

Life apart from Christ is a wretched business. It means hard work for people and yet nothing is accomplished. There is much praying, seeking, and knocking, yet nothing is gained, found, or done, for they are not knocking at the right door. For whatever they do and pray, they do it like any other work, without faith. They have no comfort or confidence, and even no conviction that it is well-pleasing to God or that He will hear them. And that is why they never pray, for as I have often said, prayer is the work of faith alone, which none but a Christian can do. For Christians do not pray trusting in themselves, but in the name of the Son of God in which they were baptized, and they know for certain that such prayer is well-pleasing to God, for He has commanded them to pray in the name of Christ and has promised to answer. And if they are asked whether they are sure that they will be heard, they answer: "I have prayed, but whether I shall be answered, God alone knows. But what manner of prayer is that when you do not know what you are doing or what God will say to it?"

A Christian, however, does not so rise from prayer, but as he begins it in response to God's command and promise he makes it an offering to God in the name of Christ and knows that what he asked will not be denied him, and so he finds in his experience that he is helped in every time of need.

–Exposition of John 15, Martin Luther

PRELUDE

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Cong.: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

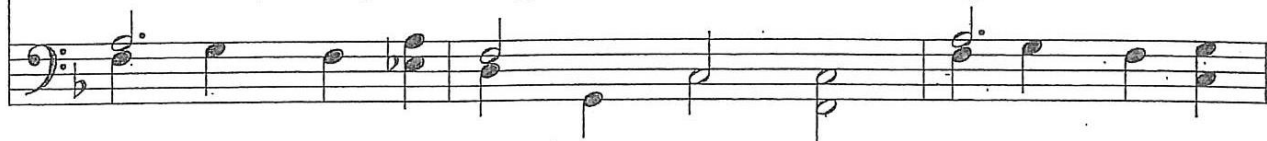
(Revelation 19:1; Matthew 28:6)

HYMN

“All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding” [LSB hymn 462]



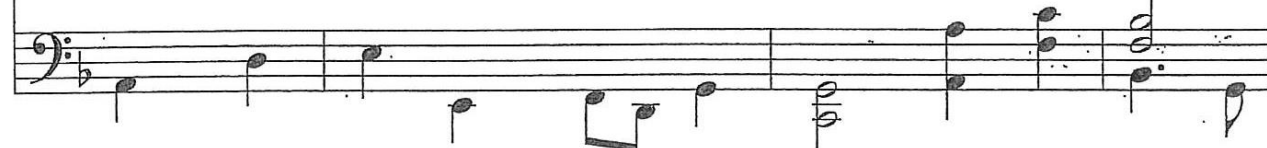
1 All the earth with joy is sound - ing: Christ has ris - en
2 Christ, the dev - il's might un - wind - ing, Leaves be - hind His
3 Je - sus, au - thor óf sal - va - tion, Shared in our hu -
4 Praise the Lord, His reign com - menc - es, Reign of life and



from the dead! He, the great - er Jo - nah, bound - ing
bor - rowed tomb. Strong - er He, the strong man bind - ing,
man - i - ty; Crowned with ra - diant ex - al - ta - tion,
lib - er - ty— Pas - chal Lamb, for our of - fens - es,



From the grave, His three - day bed, Wins the prize:
Takes, dis - arms his house of doom; In the rout
Now He shares His vic - to - ry! From His face
Slain and raised to set us free! Ev - er - more



Death's de - mise— Songs of tri - umph fill the skies.
Cast - ing out Pow'rs of dark - ness, sin, and doubt.
Shines the grace Meant for all our fall - en race.
Bow be - fore Christ, the Lord of Life a - dore!



Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

(Matthew 28:19b)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Cong.: who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Cong.: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

(Psalm 130:3-4)

Pastor: 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.

(Luke 18:13b)

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

Pastor: 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.

Cong.: Amen.

(John 20:19-23)

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT

(Psalm 145:1-2, 8, 10, 21; *antiphon*: John 16:16)

Pastor: A little while, and you will see me no longer;
and again a little while, and you will see me.

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

Cong.: Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

Pastor: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**Cong.: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your saints shall bless you!**

Pastor: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,
and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

**All: 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.**

Pastor: A little while, and you will see me no longer;
and again a little while, and you will see me.

KYRIE

(Mark 10:47)



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

(Luke 2:14; John 1:29)



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION

(2 Timothy 4:22)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And with your spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

Sit

HANDBELL ANTHEM
“God of Grace and God of Glory”
Arr. Sandra Eithun

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Elder: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

First Reading (page 917 in the pew Bibles)

Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is a desert place. And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.” So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this: *“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.”*

And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?” And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

Epistle (page 1023 in the pew Bibles)

1 John 4:1-11

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

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Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA

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

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God. (John 20:31)

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

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a 7/8 time signature. It consists of four lines of music. The first line is the Alleluia chorus. The second line begins the Gospel reading. The third line continues the Gospel reading. The fourth line is the Alleluia chorus. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

Cong: Glory to You, O Lord.

Holy Gospel (page 901 in the pew Bibles)

John 15:1-8

[Jesus said:] “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.”

Pastor: This the Gospel of Our Lord.

Cong: 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 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.**

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing” [LSB hymn 633]



1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death’s dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael’s hosts tri - um-phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
 Hell’s fierce pow’rs beneath You lie;
 You have conquered in the fight,
 You have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin’s pow’r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in You to be.
 Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
 Now no more the grave enthrall;
 You have opened paradise,
 And Your saints in You shall rise.
 Alleluia!

△8 Father, who the crown shall give,
 Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days:
 Three in One, Your name we praise.
 Alleluia!

Sit

SERMON

(Rev. Dr. Michael Eschelbach)

OFFERTORY

(Psalm 51:10-12)



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

OFFERING

You may place your offering in the plate as you exit the service.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

Stand

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

Lord God, Your only Son came in the flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. Protect us from all false teaching and the spirit of the Antichrist, that we may always confess Christ to be our only true God and remain faithful to Him. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You have grafted us onto the vine of Your Son. Prune us and cut off from us all sin and dead works, that we may always draw life from Your Son and produce the fruits of faith and good works. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Savior of all people, in the water of Baptism You welcome sinners into Your kingdom and give them life. Grant that we would always honor and extol this gift, and let nothing prevent people from it. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

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Pastor: Almighty God, give health and guidance to our president and all in authority, that they may serve honorably and in accord with Your good order. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Merciful God, You hear and answer Your children in their hour of need. *Give aid to....* Grant that they would bear their crosses with faith, ever looking to You, and so fix their hearts where true joy is found. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O God, You are love, and You always reveal Your love through Your Son. Grant that all who come to Your feast of love may worthily eat of Christ's body and blood, so that whoever abides in this love forever abides in You and You in him. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Holy Father, You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Hear and answer our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, and Your saints shall bless You; for You live and reign with the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Cong.: We lift them to the Lord.

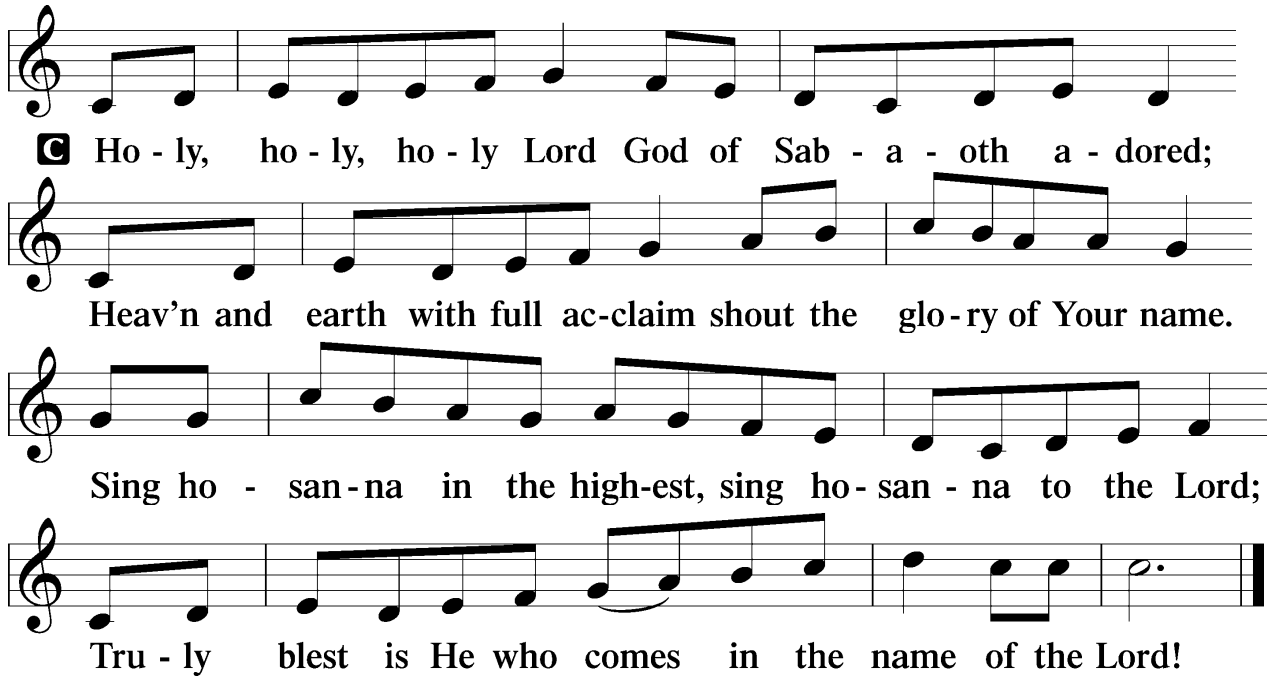
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Cong.: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and 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 singing:

SANCTUS

(Isaiah 6:3; Mathew 21:9)



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6: 9-13)

Pastor: 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.**

WORDS OF OUR LORD

(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

Pastor: 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 ✠ 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 ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

(John 20:19)

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong.: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

(John 1: 29)

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this altar in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor of this congregation. For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNING

Almighty Lord Jesus Christ, as often as I shall come to Your holy table to refresh my spirit, pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; impure as I am, to make me clean; naked as I am, to clothe me, so that Your body, so full of divine power, and Your most precious blood may not become for me, Your servant, the occasion for judgment or punishment, but a memorial of the death You underwent for me, a strengthening of my faith, a proof of the taking away of my sins, a bond of closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

“Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain” [LSB hymn 487]



1 Come, you faith-ful, raise the strain Of tri - um-phant glad - ness!
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst His pris - on
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright With the day of splen - dor,
4 For to - day a-mong His own Christ ap-peared, be - stow - ing
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Now we cry To our King im - mor - tal,



God has brought His Is - ra - el In - to joy from sad - ness,
And from three days' sleep in death As a sun has ris - en;
With the roy - al feast of feasts Comes its joy to ren - der;
His deep peace, which ev - er-more Pass - es hu - man know - ing.
Who, tri - um - phant, burst the bars Of the tomb's dark por - tal.



Loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,
All the win - ter of our sins, Long and dark, is fly - ing
Comes to glad - den faith-ful hearts Which with true af - fec - tion
Nei - ther could the gates of death Nor the tomb's dark por - tal
Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain Of tri - um - phant glad - ness!



Led them with un-moist-ened foot Through the Red Sea wa - ters.
From His light, to whom is giv'n Laud and praise un - dy - ing.
Wel - come in un - wea - ried strain Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!
Nor the watch - ers nor the seal Hold Him as a mor - tal.
God has brought His Is - ra - el In - to joy from sad - ness!

What actually is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) should be received, after proper instruction and preparation, in the sure and certain confidence that Jesus Christ is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine to forgive the sin of all who receive him in repentance (according to 1Corinthians 10:14-17; 11:17-33; Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-30). Please review the questions on pages 326-27 and 329-330 in the front part of "Lutheran Service Book" for a proper understanding of this holy meal.

Who may properly come to the Lord's Supper?

You are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood if you:

- have been Baptized into the name of the Triune God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit);
- repent of your sin against God and recognize your need to forgive others as God has forgiven you;
- put your trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation;
- are old enough to examine your own faith and life (according to 1Corinthians 11:27-32);
- believe in the words of Jesus himself when he declares that his Body and Blood are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine, offering life, salvation and the forgiveness of sins;
- sincerely intend to live a God-pleasing life in accordance with God's will as revealed in the Bible;
- have received instruction about the Supper at a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation.

I now come to the Lord's Table having read, understood and agreed with these beliefs.

"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" [LSB hymn 618]



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent year - ing That sin - ners
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.

Refrain

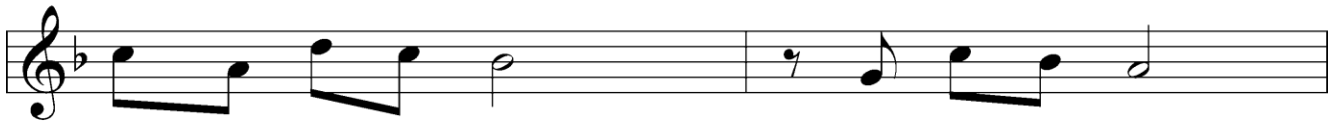


Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

“What Is This Bread?” [LSB hymn 629]



1	What	is	this	bread?	Christ's	bod - y
2	What	is	this	wine?	The	blood of
3	So	who	am	I,	That	I should
4	Yet	is	God	here?	Oh,	yes! By
5	Is	this	for	me?	I	am for -



ris - en	from the	dead:	This	bread	we	break,
Je - sus	shed	for	mine;	The	cup	of
live	and	He	should	die	Un -	der
Word	and	prom -	ise	clear,	In	mouth
giv - en	and	set	free!	I	do	be -
				lieve		



This	life	we	take,	Was	crushed	to	pay	for	our	re -
Brings	His	em -	brace	Of	life	and	love	un -	til	I
My	God,	my	God,	Why	have	You	not	for -	sak -	en
He	makes	us	whole—	Christ,	tru -	ly	pres -	ent	in	this
That	I	re -	ceive	His	ver -	y	bod -	y	and	His



lease.	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	peace.
sing!	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	King.
me?	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	free.
meal.	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	real.
blood.	O	taste	and	see—	the	Lord	is	good.



Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

(Luke 2:29-32)

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

(Psalm 103:1)

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

(Numbers 6:24-26)

Pastor: 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 His peace.

Cong.: Amen.

HYMN

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” [LSB hymn 465]



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In
2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -
3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And



praise of love that still a - bounds: “Christ has tri - umphed!
fore our heart with rap - ture sings: “Christ has tri - umphed!
heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer
with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: “Christ has tri - umphed!



He is liv - ing!” Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
He is liv - ing!” Now still He comes to give us
through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
Al - le - lu - ia!” Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
life And by His pres - ence stills all
day That by our lives we tru - ly
Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: “Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!”
strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
say: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Cong.: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

(Revelation 19:1; Matthew 28:6)

POSTLUDE

SERVING OUR LORD AND HIS PEOPLE TODAY

	<i>8:00 Service</i>	<i>11:00 Service</i>
Acolytes:	Ryker Deen	Jacob Jurenka
Ushers:	Klinton Keller Ron Smith	Mark Stenzel Paul Evans
Elders/Readers:	Steve Snyder Reinhard Stenzel	Manny Flores Brian Viers
Organist:	Matt Laub	
Altar Guild:	Cherie Silcox, Judy Loughlin, Vicki Taylor	

LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

GUIDANCE Pastor Mark Jasa is participating in an interfaith dialogue between Christians, Jews and Muslims at UCLA the evening of Wed., April 24. Praying that Pastor Mark graciously brings the Gospel of Christ crucified for all to those who have not learned of and accepted His saving grace! May the Holy Spirit open the ears, minds and hearts of those who hear his words.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Miriam Evans 4/28; Lauren Heiner 5/4

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Kathy Rugg 5/2

THIS WEEK'S ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God!

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NEWS AND NOTES

APRIL 28, 2024

Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

28 Sunday	<i>The Fifth Sunday of Easter</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Guest Pastor Rev. Dr. Michael Eschelbach Sunday School/Confirmation Classes 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Rev. Dr. Michael Eschelbach)
29 Monday	Church Office Closed Al Anon 10:00 AM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Celestial Ringers 7:00 PM
30 Tuesday	Preschool Chapel 10:45 AM Worship Committee Meeting 6:00 PM Christian Hospitality 6:00 PM Al Anon 6:00 PM Sanctuary Choir 7:00 PM
1 Wednesday	
2 Thursday	Elders Meeting 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study "1 Corinthians" 7:00 PM
3 Friday	Preschool Chapel 10:45 AM
4 Saturday	Oratio, Meditatio, Tentatio Prayer group 9:00 AM Sewing Group 9:30 AM-5:00 PM Spring Tea 1:00 PM
5 Sunday	<i>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation Classes 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study "The Screwtape Letters" 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Karen Miller)

For Further Information Please Call the Church Office at 714-846-6330

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Preschool Office Hours: Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

BIBLE STUDIES

"Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of Christ" (Romans 10:17)

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

"The Screwtape Letters" (9:30 AM with Karen Miller in the Sanctuary)

FIRST THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

"1 Corinthians" (7:00 PM with Karen Miller in the Music Room)

REDEEMER'S STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 135

*God has given each of us gifts and calls us in 1 Peter 4:10,11 to
"use them to serve one another that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ".*



SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP 1 Corinthians 1:9 "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." The faithfulness of God is our great comfort. He has made promises to us, and He will keep them. He is kind and loving toward us and will not break faith with us. This gives us the confidence to step out in faith, to leave fear behind. So, when it comes to following the Lord's commandments for our daily lives, we know His will is best for us because He is faithful.

AROUND REDEEMER

WORSHIP SERVICES AT REDEEMER are offered in our Sanctuary on Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 AM and available online at 8:00 AM on www.facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranHB/ as a Facebook live stream, and accessible from www.redeemer-lutheran.net. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL The account of "**Joseph's Troubles**" is the study of Joseph's life for today. God was with Joseph; and in Christ, God is with us in all the situations of life, providing, protecting, and forgiving us. *As a family, you might discuss, "How do we usually react when we are falsely accused of wrongdoing? How can we learn to trust Jesus to work out all things for our good?"*

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY on May 11th at Redeemer. More information to follow.



LADIES SPRING TEA is May 4, 2024 at 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$25. Today is the last day to sign up and pay. Join us for entertainment and great food. Tea sandwiches, desserts and scones will be served by men. Any men that would like to volunteer, please call Carol Waidner in the church office at (714) 846-6330.

SAVE THE DATE Vacation Bible School "**Celebrate the Savior-Jesus Gives us Joy**" will be June 24th -28th. Online registration starts May 1st!

OLD GUYS BREAKFAST AT DENNY'S (You don't have to be old) If you would like to join in on the fellowship and food (everyone pays for their own meal) we meet at Denny's at 18477 Beach Blvd. HB (cross street is Ellis), on Fridays at 11:30 AM. Call the church office if you would like more information.

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SAY "THANK YOU" WITH FLOWERS Redeemer's altar guild reminds you of the opportunity to give thanks to our Lord on the occasion of a wedding anniversary, birthday, day of Holy Baptism, Confirmation Day, or day a loved one was called to the Church Triumphant, by sponsoring the altar flowers. The sign-up poster is in the narthex or call the church office and schedule your "thank you" with flowers. The cost of the flowers is \$70.00 each week.

GAME NIGHT Come join us in faith, friendship and Tabletop Board gaming every month on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 5:30 to 10 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This is intended for all members of the Congregation who like games, and we encourage you to come and invite your friends. This is a fun outreach opportunity, and we have a few regular attendees who are not members of our Congregation. You can also contact Christopher Lundgren via the Church Office for more information.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION AND COMMUNION are by appointment. Please call the church office to arrange a date and time.

APRIL HYMN OF THE MONTH

COME, YOU FAITHFUL, RAISE THE STRAIN-LSB 487 This hymn, written by John of Damascus (ca. 675-749), has been sung in the Church since the middle of the eighth century.

As the text progresses, the truth of Jesus' resurrection crescendo until the Church of all time joins in praising the immortal King for her deliverance. The first stanza, based on the song of Moses in Exodus 15:1-18, connects Easter with Israel's deliverance from Pharaoh. Stanzas 2 recalls the true bondage of humanity: the winter of the sin and death. The spring of souls has now replaced this long, dark winter, for the Sun of Righteousness has "burst His prison," beaming forth the undying light of His resurrection. Eternal light brings eternal worship.

Stanza 3 evokes the joy brought by the "feast of feasts" that makes glad the hearts of the faithful, for nothing can ever again dampen their strains of praise to God. The fourth stanza relates the story of the first Easter evening, when the resurrected Jesus appeared in a locked upper room, bringing peace, breathing the Holy Spirit upon his disciples, and granting them authority to forgive and retain sins (John 20:19-23). Because only God can grant true peace, Jesus' triumph over the gates of death, the tomb, the soldiers, and the sealed stone are all irrefutable witnesses to His deity and authority.

The final stanza shows that God has triumphed much more gloriously than when He threw horse and rider into the sea. Jesus. "who, triumphant, burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal," continues to deliver the new Israel until He returns to claim His own. This is the Israel that God has brought into joy from sadness, and so the Church continues to sing her resounding alleluias to the King immortal.

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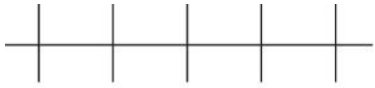
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Food, coffee, & snacks



DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES. SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 28, 2024	
Sunday, April 28:	Leviticus 20:1-16, 22-27; Acts 8:26-40; 1 John 4:1-11; John 15:1-8
Monday, April 29:	Leviticus 21:1-24 & Luke 12:1-12
Tuesday, April 30:	Leviticus 23:1-22 & Luke 12:13-34
Wednesday, May 1:	Leviticus 23:23-44 & Luke 12:35-53
Thursday, May 2:	Leviticus 24:1-23 & Luke 12:54-13:17
Friday, May 3:	Leviticus 26:1-20 & Luke 13:18-35
Saturday, May 4:	Leviticus 26:21-33, 39-44 & Luke 14:1-24
Sunday, May 5:	Numbers 3:1-16, 39-48; Acts 10:34-48; 1 John 5:1-8; John 15:9-17

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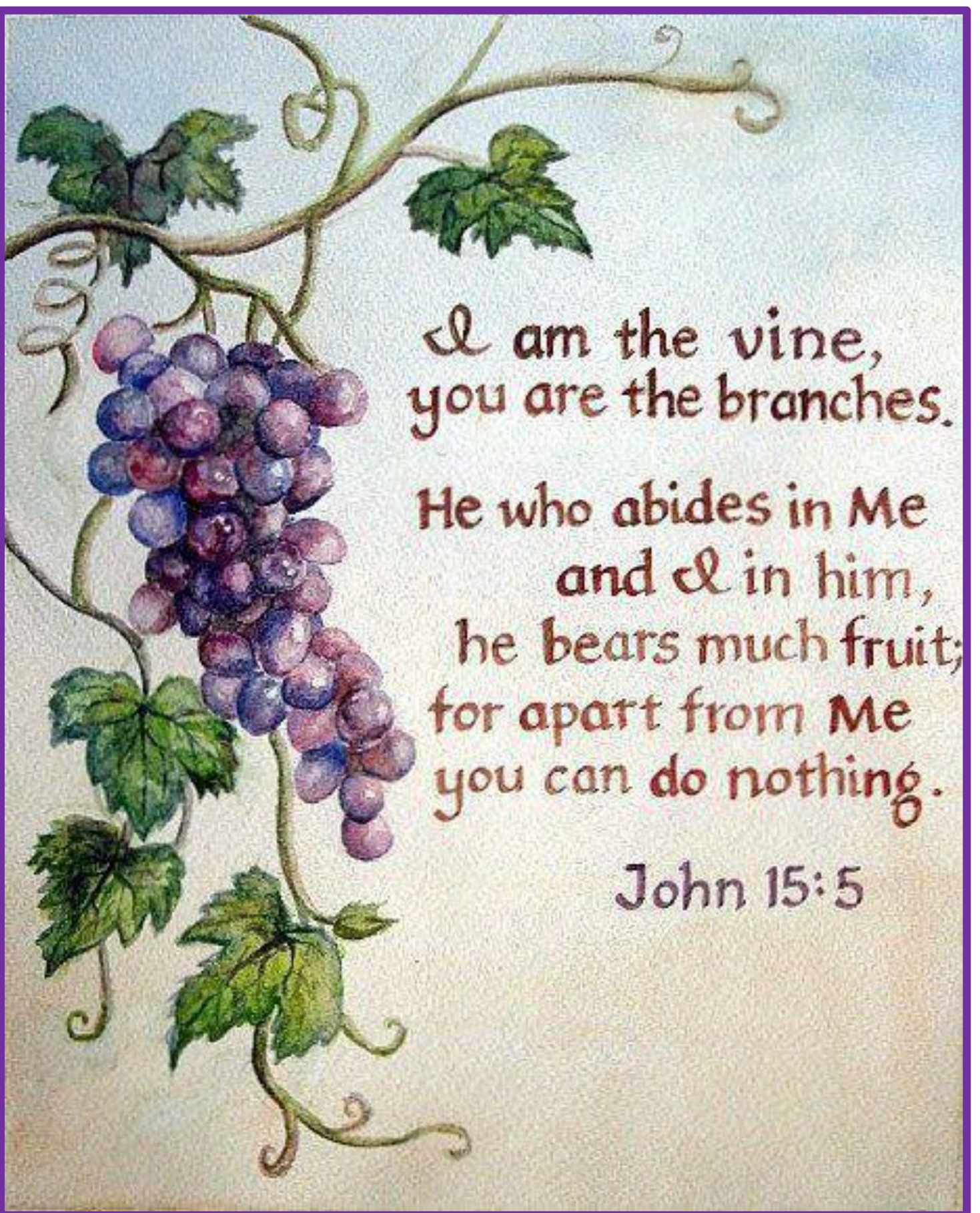
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Mindy Weiss, Preschool Director email preschool.director@redeemer-lutheran.net

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Our mission is to receive God's gifts of Word and Sacrament, worship Him and grow in His grace, and to share those holy gifts, by making disciples for Christ, who reach out joyfully to the world around them.

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I am the vine,
you are the branches.

He who abides in Me
and I in him,
he bears much fruit;
for apart from Me
you can do nothing.

John 15:5