# St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel The Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024

# **Divine Service Setting Five, Lutheran Service Book, page 213** *Stand*

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

- P In the name of the Father and of the A Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

#### Kneel/Stand

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

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

#### **Introit**

Psalm 66:1-2, 8-9, 20; antiphon: v. 16

Come and hear, all you who | fear God,\*
and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.

Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;\*
sing the glory of his name; give to him | glorious praise!

Bless our God, O | peoples;\*
let the sound of his | praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the | living\*
and has not let our | feet slip.

Blessèd | be God,\*

because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast | love from me!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

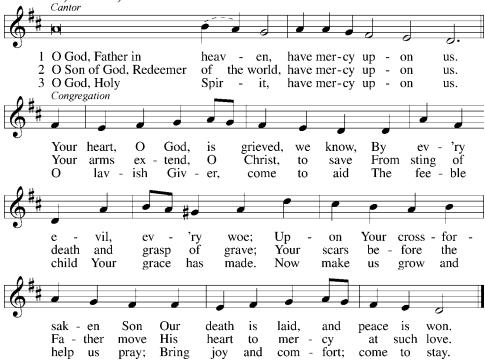
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Come and hear, all you who | fear God,\*

and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.

#### 945 Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved



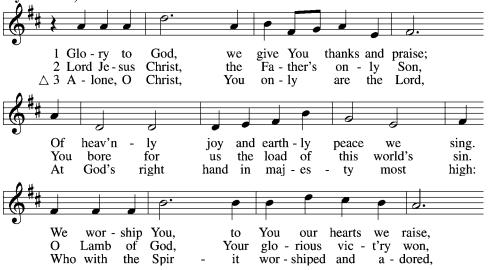
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#### 946 Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise





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#### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading Acts 10:34–48

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup>For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup>"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" <sup>48</sup>And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

**Psalm** *Psalm* 98; antiphon: v. 2

<sup>1</sup>Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!\*
His right hand and his holy arm

have worked salva- | tion for him.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;\*

he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

<sup>3</sup>He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness

to the house of | Israel.\*

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

<sup>4</sup>Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;\* break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!

<sup>5</sup>Sing praises to the LORD | with the lyre,\* with the lyre and the sound of | melody!

<sup>6</sup>With trumpets and the sound | of the horn\* make a joyful noise before the | King, the LORD!

<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and all that | fills it;\* the world and those who | dwell in it!

<sup>8</sup>Let the rivers clap their hands;

let the hills sing for joy together

<sup>9</sup>be- | fore the LORD,\* for he comes to | judge the earth.

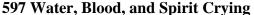
He will judge the world with | righteousness,\* and the peoples with | equity.

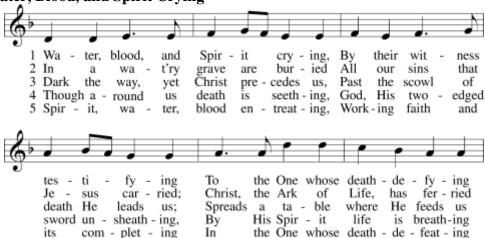
**Epistle** 1 John 5:1–8

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. <sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.







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Holy Gospel John 15:9–17

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

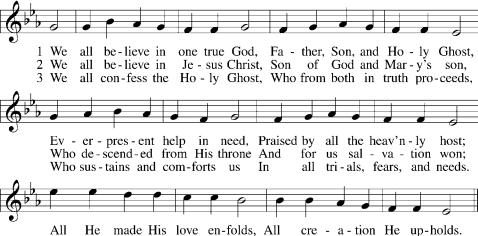
C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

<sup>12</sup>"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup>These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

#### 953 We All Believe in One True God



By whose cross and death are we Res - cued from all mis - er - y.

Bless-ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Praise for - ev - er be to Thee!

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Sermon "Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying" 1 John 5:6-8

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### **Prayer of the Church**

Service of the Sacrament

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Preface LSB 216

- 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 Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to 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. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# Lord's Prayer

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.

P In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

The Words of Our Lord LSB 217

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My & 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."

#### 960 Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old

1 Isaiah, mighty seer in days of old,

The Lord of all in spirit did behold

High on a lofty throne, in splendor bright,

With robes that filled the temple courts with light.

Above the throne were flaming seraphim;

Six wings had they, these messengers of Him.

With two they veiled their faces as was right,

With two they humbly hid their feet from sight,

And with the other two aloft they soared;

One to the other called and praised the Lord:

"Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth!

Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth!

Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth!

His glory fills the heavens and the earth!"

The beams and lintels trembled at the cry,

And clouds of smoke enwrapped the throne on high.

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#### **Pax Domini**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 198

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

#### **Distribution**

#### **Concerning the Holy Communion**

We ordinarily offer the Lord's Supper only to those who are communicant members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or of congregations which are part of a church body which is in altar or pulpit fellowship with the LCMS. The Scriptures teach that Holy Communion is to be a confession of a common faith (1 Cor. 10:17, Acts 2:42) and that those who are unprepared may even do themselves spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:23-32). We do not hereby presume to question another's faith in

Christ, but hold this historic position out of love for God's Word and in care for souls. Inviting all Christians to Communion would imply a oneness which does not yet exist but for which we must all pray. Even as we try to respect the practices of other Christian denominations so we ask others to respect our practice. Those who would like to discuss this practice at more length may make an appointment with our pastor to do so.

If you are unable to receive Holy Communion, but wish to receive a blessing, please feel free to come forward. Please stand with your hands behind your back to indicate that you would like a blessing.





- 5 God said to His belovèd Son: "It's time to have compassion. Then go, bright jewel of My crown, And bring to all salvation. From sin and sorrow set them free; Slay bitter death for them that they May live with You forever."
- 6 The Son obeyed His Father's will,
  Was born of virgin mother;
  And God's good pleasure to fulfill,
  He came to be my brother.
  His royal pow'r disguised He bore;
  A servant's form, like mine, He wore
  To lead the devil captive.
- 7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and castle.Your ransom I Myself will be; For you I strive and wrestle.

For I am yours, and you are Mine, And where I am you may remain; The foe shall not divide us.

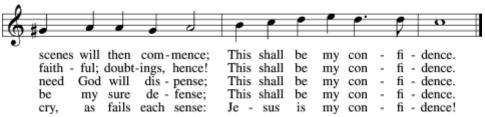
- 8 "Though he will shed My precious blood,
  Me of My life bereaving,
  All this I suffer for your good;
  Be steadfast and believing.
  Life will from death the vict'ry win;
  My innocence shall bear your sin,
  And you are blest forever.
- 9 "Now to My Father I depart,
  From earth to heav'n ascending,
  And, heav'nly wisdom to impart,
  The Holy Spirit sending;
  In trouble He will comfort you
  And teach you always to be true
  And into truth shall guide you.
- 10 "What I on earth have done and taught
  Guide all your life and teaching;
  So shall the kingdom's work be wrought
  And honored in your preaching.
  But watch lest foes with base alloy
  The heav'nly treasure should destroy;
  This final word I leave you."

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#### 700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



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# 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,

In thanksgiving bow before Thee.

Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish

Our weak souls that they may flourish:

O Lord, have mercy!

May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,

That our sins and sorrows did carry,

And Thy blood for us plead

In all trial, fear, and need:

O Lord, have mercy!

2 Thy holy body into death was given,

Life to win for us in heaven.

No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;

May this feast thereof remind us!

O Lord, have mercy!

Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee

That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.

All our debt Thou hast paid;

Peace with God once more is made:

O Lord, have mercy!

3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor

That we follow Christ our Savior

And live together here in love and union

Nor despise this blest Communion!

O Lord, have mercy!

Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;

Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;

Give Thy Church, Lord, to see

Days of peace and unity:

O Lord, have mercy!

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#### **Post-Communion Collect**

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 218

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ₱ give you peace.

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#### **Announcements**

**In our prayers** we pray for Donna Heilman who is undergoing treatments for cancer.

**Ascension Day Service** – Thursday, May 9 at 6:30 PM at Zion Lutheran Church, 201 First Avenue, Hiawatha. Guest Preacher will be Rev. W. Max Mons. Refreshments to follow the service.

Mission Trip 2024: We've got exciting news! We're going on a mission trip to Alaska! A group of seven of us will be traveling in Summer 2024! We will be doing a variety of fundraising events over the next months to raise funds to cover flights, housing and food. We are kicking things off with a GiveSendGo! If you know anyone who would like to donate to a mission such as ours, please share this link around! We greatly appreciate any donations to support our mission! Thank you for your consideration! https://givesendgo.com/GAPHB?utm\_source=sharelink&utm\_medium=copy\_link&utm\_campaign=GAPHB

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#### **General Information**

**Cry Room**: If you are in need of a place to go with your children during the service, please feel free to use the bell tower. You will still be able to hear the service from there. Also, there is a changing station in the women's bathroom.

**Bulletin Announcements**: If you are in charge of an announcement for an event, please have it to the administrative assistant by 9:00 AM on the Thursday before the first Sunday you would like it to run. E-mail it to stpaulschapel.iowacity@gmail.com

**Lost and Found!** In the student center is a wicker storage cube which is the Chapel's Lost and Found. Any items left in the Chapel will be placed in this container. At the end of each month, the bin will be emptied and its contents will be donated to Good Will. All Chapelites are strongly encouraged to check the Lost and Found periodically so we don't donate something of yours!

**Auto Debit Offering Option:** If you would like to automate or update your existing auto-offering please visit https://stpaulic.com/giving/ or speak with Chapel Treasurer Trent Dickerson, treasurer.stpaul@gmail.com

## **Calendar**

**5 Today** Divine Service at 9:00 AM

Happy Hour Bible class

**9 Thursday** Ascension Day Service at Zion, Hiawatha, at 6:30 PM

**12 Sunday** Divine Service at 9:00 AM

Happy Hour Bible class

Private absolution is available by appointment.

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