

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

SUNDAY SCHOOLERS SING 11:00 "More Precious than Silver"
"A Mom Like You"



OPENING HYMN "Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace"

(LSB 844)

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

EXHORTATION

- 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.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

- 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.

✝ WORD ✝

INTROIT

Psalm 119:89-93; (antiphon: Ps. 119:105)

P Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

C Forever, O LORD, your word
is firmly fixed in the heavens.

P Your faithfulness endures to all generations;
you have established the earth, and it stands fast.

C By your appointment they stand this day,
for all things are your servants.

P If your law had not been my delight,
I would have perished in my affliction.

C I will never forget your precepts
For by them you have given me life.

C 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.

P Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

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 the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING *Acts 17:16–31* (Paul witnesses about the one true God.)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM “Go Down, Moses” (*Traditional Spiritual, arr. Kirby Shaw*)

Helen Kiepke, Carolyn Ryckman, Marlis Doud, Laura Mehlhaff, Laura Streich, vocalists

EPISTLE *1 Peter 3:13–22* (Be prepared to share your faith with gentleness and respect.)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL *John 14:15–21* (Jesus is with us, now and forever.)

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

BIBLE LESSON
SERMON HYMN

"Alleluia, Sing to Jesus"

(LSB 821)

SERMON

"The Hope That Is In You"
Pastor Sam Handschke

(1 Peter 3:15)

CREED

8:30 am
11:00 am

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OFFERTORY



C 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.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

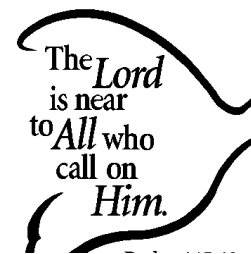
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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

Brief silence

P O Lord, You bless and protect Your people in a world where



many false gods, known and unknown, are worshiped. Give Your saints a clear and bold proclamation of Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, Your Son suffered on our behalf to win salvation for us. Grant that we may have the privilege not only of believing in Him but also of suffering for His sake. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of heaven and earth, You have given the Spirit of truth to dwell in us through Holy Baptism. Grant Your Spirit's steadfast guidance that the feet of this congregation and its catechumens may not slip into sin and unbelief, but live always in praise of You before the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Creator, You made from one man all the nations of the earth, and still You sustain us. Grant good leaders in every land who will seek peace and serve justice. Frustrate the causes of evil, violence and oppression. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Father in heaven, You have given us a mirror of Your love in the vocation of mothers who nurture, guide and raise their children in all things good. Bless them in their calling. Sustain them through weary and difficult times. Remember in compassion all who are barren, and bring them comfort through the children of Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, You promised not to abandon us in our need nor leave us as orphans. Send forth Your Spirit and work through us, Your people, that the lonely, poor, homeless and travelers may rejoice in Your presence and the power of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Grant healing according to Your will, and sustain in faith those for whom we pray [*especially* _____]. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We give You thanks for the salvation and life You give us through Christ Jesus. You do not leave Your people as orphans but strengthen the penitent with the body and blood of Your Son. Help us to receive what You offer here for our good, that this

Holy Communion may strengthen our faith and equip us for Your service. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God 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.**

The 8:30 am service continues on page 11 with the Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastor**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠ **11:00 am**

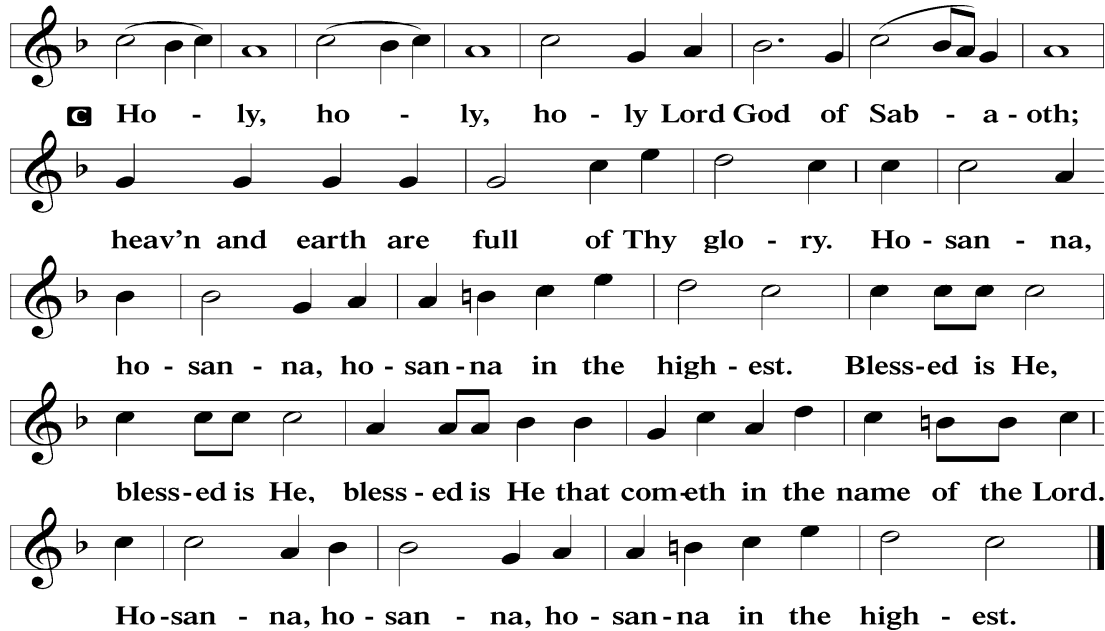
PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
- C** **It is meet and right so to do.**
- P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tress of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI

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



AGNUS DEI



□ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Come, My Soul, with Ev'ry Care"

(LSB 770)

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

(LSB 849)




(Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

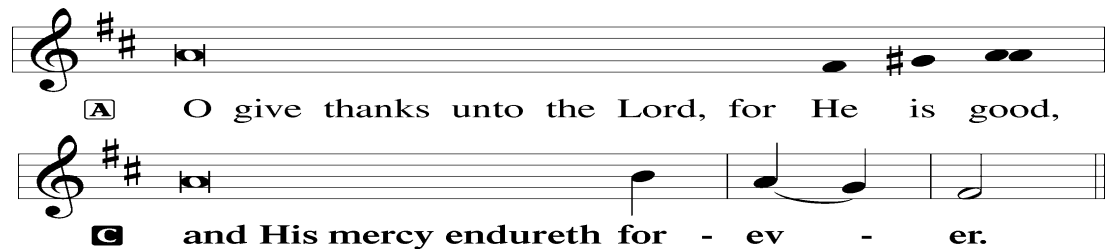


□ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** 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 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.

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

BENEDICAMUS

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

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.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It”

(LSB 594)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



AS WE GATHER We live in a world where we increasingly hear strange ideas. The people we work, play, and live near increasingly consider the truths that our God created this world and redeemed us to be strange. Jesus, Peter, and Paul lived in a world that had some striking similarities to our own. As we live out our Baptism, we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to love Jesus and keep His commands. We are urged to always be “prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you” (1 Peter 3:15). As we do so, it is easy to fall into the angry, divisive,

argumentative patterns that we hear in the political realm. Yet, we are called to share our hope with gentleness and respect, so that we keep a clear conscience and suffer for doing good rather than evil.

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Psalm 119:105

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the blue prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” James 5:16b

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Sixth Sunday of Easter! We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

Preaching today is Reverend Samuel Handschke.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. May 3, Att. 41, Offering \$40.00; Sun., May 7, Att. 228; General Fund \$14,163.30; Sunday School \$0.00; Building Fund \$544.40; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$5,620.00; HVAC \$300.00; Concordia Refund \$625.77; Memorial in memory of Harlan Fransen \$500.00; Endowment Fund (Generations) \$102.75; Endowment Fund in memory of Olaf Larson (Blessings) \$25.00.

Endowment Fund There are lime green envelopes on the back side of the large center support post in the Narthex for your use. Donations do not have to be in memory of someone, they can be in celebration of an event in your lives, to the glory of God, or any number of happenings in your lives. The envelopes have an area where you can designate where you wish the funds to go. Please use a separate **check** for your donation. Where we deposit the funds does not take cash, so it needs to be in the form of a **check**. The counters cannot always find checks to cover when cash is given. Thanks for your help!



Compassion Sunday Faith Lutheran will be hosting a Compassion Sunday Follow-up **TODAY**. This is a great opportunity to live out God's call to care for the poor. As a sponsor, not only will you help support a child's growth and development, but you also will build a relationship with him or her. Through letters, you can remind a child that you love them, that God loves them and that there is hope. There will be many packets on the table in the Living Room with descriptions of a child in need of support. **Check them out before, after, or between services.**

Graduation Reception There will be a reception for the high school graduates of Pierre and Ft. Pierre between services on Sunday, May 21. Please come to the Fellowship Hall to greet the graduates and enjoy cake and coffee.



Coffee Bar There will be a coffee bar in between services every Sunday to raise money for campers going to Minneboji. The coffee bar will be a free-will offering.

Surplus Mower 44” Grasshopper brand 2TR riding mower for sale. Comes with bagger and broom attachment. 16hp engine. Approx. 900 hours run time. If interested, please contact Steve Johnson at 605-295-1313.



Friendship Tea The Faith Lutheran LWML will host a Friendship Tea on Sunday, June 11th at 2:00 pm in the CFLC gym. All women welcome. Invite/bring a friend. A little program, light refreshments and lots of fun!

Main Street Living **Did you know** the Main Street Living program is broadcast throughout South Dakota and into bordering states on two TV stations: KDLT in Sioux Falls at 10:00 AM central and KEVN at 8:00 AM mountain in Rapid City? **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on www.mainstreetliving.com, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

There are 2 station changes for KDLT viewers. **May 7 and May 28th** will air on FOX due to broadcast pre-emptions.

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KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

10:00 AM -“Alibi” - A father tries to reconnect with his estranged son after the death of his mother.

10:30 AM - Reverend Robert Moeller, pastor at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church in Pipestone, MN presents a message titled “Baptism Now Saves.” This sermon is based on 1 Peter 3:15-22. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “This, dear friends, is why Christ’s ascension is a good goodbye. Jesus leaves you with everything! He has done it all. The grave is empty. Death is defeated.

Life is yours. So, people of God, ‘Why do you stand here looking into the sky?’ You have an ascension victory to celebrate and an ascended Savior to proclaim!” *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Faith Lutheran Youth



Camp Minneboji Camp Minneboji is a Christian Summer Camp for 4th-8th graders. It will be held June 18th-24th at Camp Okoboji in Milford, IA. Registration closes May 1st or when camp is full. Faith will give \$100.00 scholarships to any student member who wishes to attend Camp Minneboji.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: May 14 MOTHER’S DAY

Compassion Sunday Follow-up

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School (Last Day)

9:45 am Adult Bible Study

11:00 am Communion

1:00 pm Boards of Stewardship/Endow

2:00 pm Board of Education

Mon: May 15

6-9 pm Pickleball

6:30 pm Prayer Care

Tues: May 16

8:00 am Staff Devotions

10:30 am Women’s Bible Study

6:00 pm Board of Early Education

Wed: May 17

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism (Last Day)

6:30 pm Hebrews (In Homes) Bible Study

7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: May 18

8:00 am Staff Devotions

12:00 pm Forever Young

1:30 pm Lincoln Apts. Chapel

6:00 pm Rebekah Circle

Sun: May 21

8:30 am Communion

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

11:00 am Worship

12:00 pm Stanley Co. High Graduation

2:00 pm Riggs High Graduation

5:00 pm Board of Education

