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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD

## THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 4, 2024

5:30 PM

### PRELUDE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HYMN TO OPEN** “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” *LSB 592, sts. 1-5*

### INVOCATION

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

**C** Amen

### BAPTISM OF OLIVIA ROSE HULLETT

*Baptismal Liturgy, then...*

**P** Finally, Olivia, God washes you of your sins in baptism but He also brings you into His family. We welcome you into our family in God’s name. Come and enjoy with us the many gifts of God as we all wait for the day of His return.

**C** We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You have sent us Your Son, Jesus, to take our place in death and rise from the grave. We thank You for working through baptism to wash us of our sins and bring us into Your family. We thank You for bringing Olivia to the waters of baptism and now we ask You to help us surround Olivia with Your love so we can walk in grace and new life together. Protect Olivia from the temptations of this world and bless her to join us in the life of faith.

**P** The Lord preserve you in every step of your life from now to life eternal.

**P** The peace of Christ ✠ be with you.

**C** Amen.

**Please stand**

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord.  
**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.

**CONFESSION**

**P** Let us confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**ABSOLUTION**

**P** People of God, I have good news for you! Know with joy that 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.

**PSALM 98** (*Spoken responsively*)

**P**<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 salvation for him.

**C**<sup>2</sup> The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

**P**<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.

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

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

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

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

(continued...)

**C**<sup>8</sup> Let the rivers clap their hands;  
let the hills sing for joy together  
<sup>9</sup>before the LORD, for he comes to  
judge the earth.

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

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.

## KYRIE



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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *LSB 204*

**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****P** The Lord be with you.**C** And also with you.**PRAYER OF THE DAY (Collect)****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**Please 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.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord**C** Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING 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.

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

**Please stand**

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

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



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



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



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

**GOSPEL READING 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.**

**Please sit**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SERMON HYMN “Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice”** LSB 556, sts. 1,3,4,5,10

**SERMON “LOVE ONE ANOTHER”** (Text: John 15:12-14)  
*The Rev. Peter Gueldner*

**TITHES & OFFERING**

**Please stand**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

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

We thank God for the Christian Church and pray that God’s people may live confidently and would joyfully share the message of salvation in word and deed. Gathered by the Holy Spirit, we pray that we may be blessed with all grace and give evidence of the fruit of the Spirit in our lives. Lord, be with us and bless us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** We pray for our families, our neighborhoods, and our communities. We ask the blessing of our bountiful God on all those who share in our Christian fellowship and join with us in worship. Also, we pray for all who are part of the household of faith, whose presence here this day supports and strengthens us. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** We also pray for those with special concerns and needs this day: those who are hospitalized or shut in, those who are grieving at this time, the unemployed and underemployed, the chronically ill, and all those whose needs are known to us, [*especially . . .*]. Lord, grant that we may bring Your blessing to situations of need in all places. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Let us pray for the needs of the church... (*prayers continue...*)

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Together let us pray as our Lord Jesus taught us...

**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**

### **BENEDICAMUS**

**P** 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.

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

**C** **Amen.**

**Please sit**

**CLOSING HYMN** "Love in Christ Is Strong and Living" LSB 706, sts.1-3

**P** Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

\* \* \* **TO GOD BE THE GLORY** \* \* \*

<b>Pastor</b> The Rev. Peter Gueldner	<b>Music</b> Barbara Mrosko
<b>Elder</b> Mark Quinlan	<b>Lector</b> Charlotte Scurry
<b>Worship Assistant</b> Mitch Miller	
<b>Greeters</b> Pat Langevin, Jan Paschke	
<b>Ushers</b> Dan & Judy Valentyn, David Schuenke	

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