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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2026
5:30 PM

May 3, 2026
8:00 AM

PRESERVICE MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “The Church’s One Foundation” LSB 644, sts. 1-5

Please stand

INVOCATION

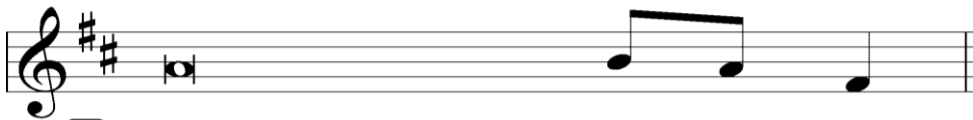
P We begin our service in the name of the Father, and of the +Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen!

(Pastor sings at 5:30; Pastor speaks at 8:00)



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.
 Common: Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed You in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins and trusting in my Savior, Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- P** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen

PSALM 146:1-10 (Spoken responsively)

- P**¹ Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!
- C**² I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- P**³ Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.
- C**⁴ When his breath departs he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.
- P**⁵ Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God,
- C**⁶ who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;

P⁷ who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

C **The LORD sets the prisoners free; ⁸the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.**

Please be seated

FIRST READING Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

L The First Reading is from Acts, chapter 6.

¹Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.

²And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. ³Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. ⁴But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." ⁵And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

⁷And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the

P⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

C¹⁰**The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!**

**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**

disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

⁸And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. ⁹Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen. . . .

²And Stephen said:

"Brothers and fathers, hear me. . . .

⁵¹You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. ⁵²Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, ⁵³you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it."

(continued...)

⁵⁴Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. ⁵⁵But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶And he said, “Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.” ⁵⁷But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. ⁵⁸Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And

the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2:2-10

L The Second Reading is from 1 Peter, chapter 2, verses 2-10.

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation— ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,”

⁸and

“A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

HOLY GOSPEL John 14:1-14

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Please be seated**(8:00 ONLY) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****SERMON HYMN "You Are the Way; through You Alone" LSB 526, sts. 1-4****SERMON 5:30 – "DO NOT BE TROUBLED" (Text: John 14:1-14)**
*The Rev. Dr. Brent Klein***8:00 – "BUT NOW YOU ARE GOD'S PEOPLE" (Text: 1 Peter 2:2-10)**
*The Rev. Rudy Maurer***CANTICLE "Take My Hand and Lead Me" LSB 722, sts. 1-3****Please stand****CREED *Apostles' Creed***

**☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
 And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried.
 He descended into hell.
 The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated**TITHES & OFFERING (8:00 ONLY – "My Hope Is Built" ~Trinity Handbells)****Please stand****KYRIE****☐ Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Let us pray as our Savior 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.**

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

ADDITIONAL PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING

Each intercession ends with the words **P** "Lord, in Your mercy,"
to which the congregation responds, **C** "hear our prayer."

(5:30 ONLY) PRAYER FOR PEACE

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



(8:00 ONLY) PRAYER FOR GRACE

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God. Defend us with Your mighty power and grant that we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

Please be seated

HYMN “He’s Risen, He’s Risen” *LSB* 480, sts. 1-5△

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

* * * **To GOD BE THE GLORY** * * *

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