

C:



Thanks be to God.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C:



A - men.

CLOSING HYMN “If Christ Had Not Been Raised from Death”

LSB #486

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY

	5PM
PRESIDING MINISTER:	Pastor Timothy Rossow
ORGANIST:	Susan Keller
ACOLYTES:	Chris Tatara & Erik Medhurst
USHERS:	Harry Novak, Mark Kuba, Dave Dumford, Wayne Fischer

	9:00AM
PREACHING:	Pastor Timothy Rossow
LITURGIST:	Pastor Stephen Schumacher
ORGANIST:	Susan Keller
ACOLYTES:	Andrew Mooney & Lauren Collins
CHOIR:	<i>Jr. High Choir</i> ; Phillip Magness, director
GREETERS:	Don & Joyce Lohrentz
WELCOME CENTER:	Maria Simpson
USHERS:	Mick Herrick, Rick Grimes Steve Schiewe, Kevin Mooney, Dennis Webb

ALTAR GUILD:	Jennifer Kronemann
BUILDING OPENER:	Chuck Guebert

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME TO BETHANY

We gather this day to receive God’s gifts and to praise His holy name. If you are visiting us today, we encourage you to fill out a yellow card in the pew rack to inform us of your visit and to introduce yourself to one of the pastors. Please stop by our Welcome Center in the narthex for more information about Bethany, and to receive a gift for you from our church family. Also, be sure to pick up our weekly *News & Notes*, located on the table in the back of the church.

Bethany is a singing parish and we hope that you will join us. A fine voice is not required – just a heart for worship. As you follow the order of service in this bulletin, please note:

- LSB refers to the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*
- Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available. Please ask an usher.
- Front pew - hymnals are in a rack underneath your seat.

For your reference, worship participants are indicated as follows in the bulletin:

- P: Presiding Minister (pastor’s parts)
- A: *Assisting Liturgist (pastor, choir or cantor)*
- C: **Congregation (or all)**

GREETING

+We Stand in Easter Joy+

THE GLORIA PATRI (5PM) LSB #229

THE GLORIA PATRI AND VENITE (9AM) LSB #235

THE PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 98

1 All the ends of the earth have seen sal - va - tion.
 7 All the ends of the earth have seen the sav - ing
 14 pow-er of God, the sav - ing pow-er of God.

A: *antiphon*
 C: **antiphon**

A: *Let us sing a new song for the wondrous deeds of the Lord, whose holy arm has prevailed, bringing salvation and victory.*

C: **antiphon**

A: *All the ends of the earth have seen the power of God. Ring out your joy, break into song; all you lands sing praise!*

C: **antiphon**

A: *Sing the praises of God; with the harp and song give praise. O trumpets sound! Joyfully sing; sing to the ruler of all.*

C: **antiphon**

+We Sit to Meditate on God's Word+

THE OFFICE HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

LSB #700

THE FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-48 (ESV)

³⁴So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the

3 Our Fa-ther who art in hea - ven, hal-low - ed be thy name,
 6 thy king-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
 8 Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for-give us our tres-pass-es
 10 as we for-give those who tres-pass a-against us; and lead us not in-to temp-ta - tion
 12 but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom
 and the pow'r and the glo - ry for-ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the mystery of the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

COLLECT FOR EASTERTIDE

All: **O God, for our redemption you have your only Son to suffer death on the cross, and by His glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin so that we may rise to live with Christ forever; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

HYMN OF THE DAY “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”

LSB #556 st. 1, 5-10

- Stanza 1 - *all*
- Stanza 5 - *all at 5PM; choir at 9AM*
- Stanza 6 - *all*
- Stanza 7 - *low voices (men, lady tenors, older boys)*
- Stanza 8 - *high voices (sopranos, altos, children)*
- Stanza 9 - *all at 5PM; solo at 9AM*
- Stanza 10 - *all*

SERMON

+*We Stand for the Canticle of Praise*+

THE MAGNIFICAT (5PM) “Song of Mary”

LSB #231

THE TE DEUM (9AM) “We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God”

LSB #941

+*The Tithes and Offerings are Received*+

VOLUNTARY


(All guests and members are requested to complete an attendance card.)

+*We Stand for Praise and Prayer*+

OFFERTORY “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word”

LSB #655

KYRIE



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

THE LORD’S PRAYER

baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹And 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, ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²And 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. ⁴³To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

⁴⁴While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. ⁴⁵And 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. ⁴⁶For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Psalm 66:66, 1-2; Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7



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

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

A: *Christ has risen | from the dead.
God the Father has crowned Him with glory and | honor.*

C: **He has made Him ruler over the works | of His hands;
He has put everything un- | der His feet.**

A: *Bless our God, O | peoples;
Let the sound of his praise | be heard.*

C: **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.

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

THE EPISTLE

1 John 5:1-8 (ESV)

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

⁶This 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. ⁷For there are three that testify: ⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

+We Stand and Face the Gospel Procession+

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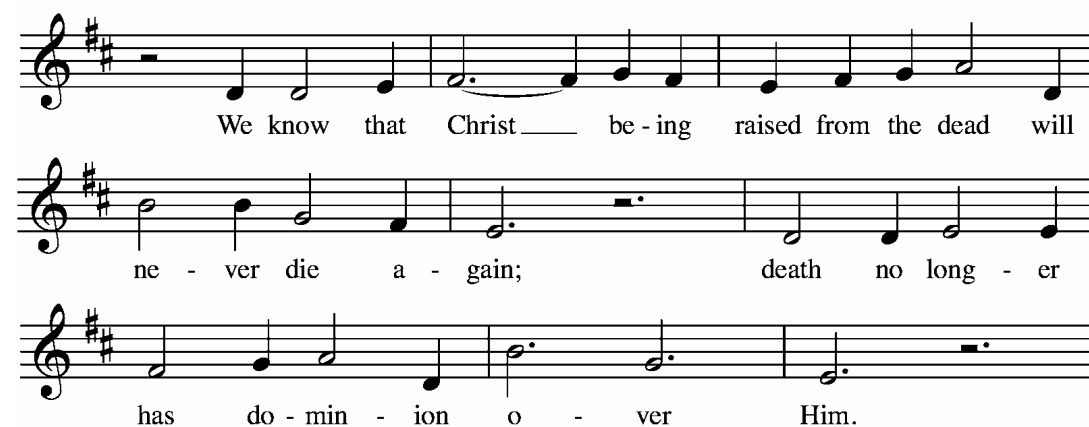
Romans 6:9; John 14:23b,c

REFRAIN



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A: *In this world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.*

C: **REFRAIN**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:9-17 (ESV)

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

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵No 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. ¹⁶You 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. ¹⁷These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

C: **But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.**

+We Sit for the Proclamation of Law and Gospel+