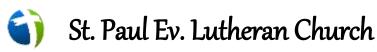


The Sixth Sunday of Easter May 22, A+D 2022



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> DIVINE SERVICE Setting 3 – Page 184 Lutheran Service Book

We Pray to the Father in Jesus' Name

"In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Jesus has opened the way to the Father so that "whatever you ask of the Father" in Jesus' name, "he will give it to you" (John 16:23). We pray, therefore, in the confidence that we will be heard and answered, that our "joy may be full" (John 16:24). We pray because the Gospel has been preached to us and the Lord has opened our hearts to believe the Gospel (Acts 16:10, 14). We pray in the name of Jesus because we have been baptized into Him, as Lydia and her household were baptized (Acts 16:15). We have been healed, and we live and walk and pray in newness of life (John 5:8–9). For we stand upon the firm foundation "of the twelve apostles of the Lamb" (Rev. 21:14), and our temple is "the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb" (Rev. 21:22).

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

sts. 1-6

Stand

Invocation

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

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation 184

- 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,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Confession of Sins

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- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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.

Absolution LSB 185

- 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.
- **G** Amen.

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Service of the Word

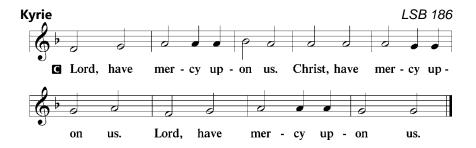
Introit

Psalm 55:4, 16-18; antiphon: v. 22

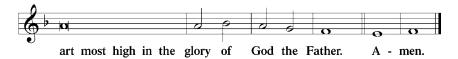
- P Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;
- he will never permit the righteous to be moved.
- P My heart is in anguish within me;
- the terrors of death have fallen upon me.
- P But I call to God,
- and the LORD will save me.
- P Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan,
- and he hears my voice.
- P He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage,
- **G** for many are arrayed against me.



- P Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;
- he will never permit the righteous to be moved.







Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be 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.



Sit

First Reading

Acts 16:9-15

A The First Reading for The Sixth Sunday of Easter is from the sixteenth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles.

⁹A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come

together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

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

Second Reading

Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

The Second Reading is from the twenty-first chapter of the Revelation of St. John.

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹³on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

²¹And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

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

Stand





Holy Gospel

John 16:23-33

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



²³[Jesus said:] "In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to

you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

²⁹His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." ³¹Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? ³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

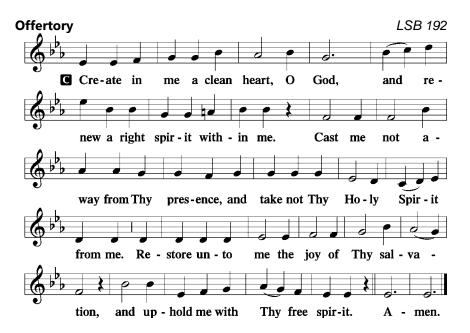
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Sermon Text: Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27 Sermon Title: "The Lamb's book of life"

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Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate

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Prayer of the Church

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- **P** ... Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194



P Lift up your hearts.



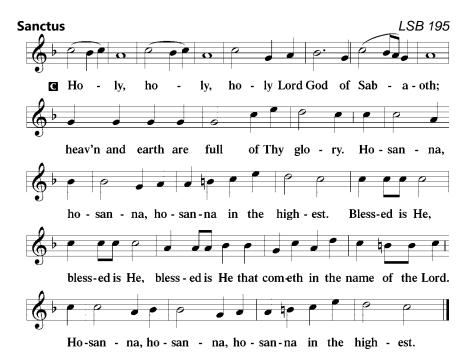
P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



Proper Preface (Full)

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. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with

Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer 196

P 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



The Words of Our Lord

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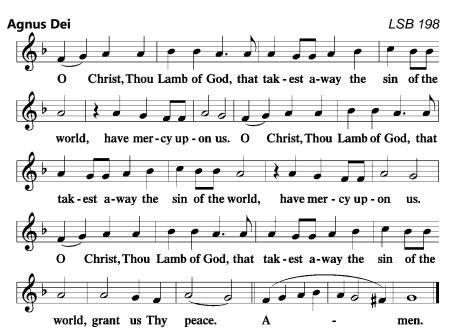
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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 -I- blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Just Before Communing: Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Silent Prayer Just After Communing: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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The Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- Amen.





Thanksgiving

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A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



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.



Salutation LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.



Benedicamus LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.



Benediction LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

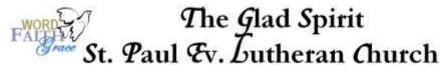


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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Lisa Sheridan, Family Bailey, Connor David Sinise, Family Chance, Zachary Brian Smith, Family Ethan Bill Sommer Lois Struven

BIRTHDAYS

Raymond McCrary, 5/24 Paulette Pearson, 5/27 Jacob Middleton, 5/28

CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES

Andrew Bahm, 5/22 Christopher Budde, 5/22
Andrew Hoover, 5/22 Danial Hoover, 5/22
Nicole Sawilchik, 5/22 Daniel Zander, 5/22
Nicholas Plecas, 5/23 Jerry Wiltjer, 5/23
Jennifer Sella, 5/26 Dana Tatgenhorst, 5/26
Melanie Hudson, 5/27
Violet Andersen, 5/28 Kristi Hudson, 5/18

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Pray for Diane Akers, Janice Abel, Violet Andersen, Russ Budde, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Barb Leone, Violet Rich, Lois Struven, Dolly Tagenhorst, Dorothy Van Mynen, Warren Van Mynen and Gene Wiltjer.

Serving in the Military – Austin Brandy, David Capodagli, James Fluechtling, Nathan Lopez, and Robert Wisely.

NEWS UPDATE



Beneath the Veil of Smoke and Ashes by Tammy Paterick is the book we will be reviewing on June 8 at 10:00 am. We usually meet at 10am on the second Wednesday of the month and always welcome new members. We also order lunch for after the meeting.

St. Paul Whiting Outdoor Memorial Day Service, at Concordia Cemetery 6551 North Calumet Ave. Hammond, Indiana (by the Crucifix Garden). Monday, May 30, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Bring blankets and lawn chairs to sit on. In case of bad weather, the service will be held in the cemetery chapel

Celebrate with Pastor Dorn on the occasion of his retirement from ministry at St. John's, Country Club Hills. Sunday, June 26 worship then gather for a celebration lunch 12:00 pm for lunch and a short program at Glenwlldie Golf Course. Tickets are \$50.00. Contact Cindie Smith at 708-799-7491.

Christ For You this week on KFUO.org: Begin studying Genesis on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), dig into Augsburg Confession Article XVIII: Free Will on Concord Matters (5/28 at 10:00 a.m. CT), and study Acts 10-12 on Sharper Iron's "To the End of the Earth" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

Revelation Bible Study... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon will begin a study this week on The Book of Revelation. You can listen on-demand at thewordendures.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

"Your ascended Jesus goes with you. When you have doubts and struggles, take them to Jesus. When you're conflicted and troubled by sin and guilt, take it to Jesus and the cross. Together we lift each other up and grow up in Jesus! You are gifted! You are equipped! Know you are serving Jesus! Now and to eternity." Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

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The person who knows that he has a Father who is gracious to him through Christ truly knows God [John 14:7]. He also knows that God cares for him [1 Peter 5:7], and he calls upon God [Romans 10:13]. In a word, he is not without God, as are the heathen. For devils and the ungodly are not able to believe this article: the forgiveness of sins. Hence, they hate God as an enemy [Romans 8:7] and do not call Him [Romans 3:11-12] and expect no good from Him. Augustine also warns his readers about the word faith and teaches that the term is used in the Scriptures, not for the knowledge that is in the ungodly, but for the confidence that consoles and encourages the terrified mind.

—Augsburg Confession XX

GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION



ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

May 8th Attendance 27, 24 Communed, 4 Online

Basket	\$140.00	Weekly Missions	\$20.00
Envelopes	1,037.00	Luth. Church Charity	10.00
Annuity Prem.	1,392.08	Church Maint	120.00
Budgeted Total	2,569.08	Non-budgeted Total	\$250.00
Offering Needed	1,640.00	_	
-	\$929.08		



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today 8:45 am Worship Service

10:00 am Coffee &...

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Sunday 8:45 am Worship Service

10:00 am Coffee &...

SERVANT SCHEDULE

Sun, May 22, 8:45 AM Sun, May 29, 8:45 AM

Pastor Pastor Fluechtling Pastor Fluechtling

Usher Aaron Schassburger Louis Sella

Lay Reader Kevin Krieger Debi Brandy