

# Welcome!

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Luther Memorial Church

## Holy Communion

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025 | 10:30 AM



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**PRELUDE** Fugue sur le thème du Carillon des Heures de la cathédrale de Soissons | Maurice Duruflé

**GATHERING**

*Please rise.*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.*

**#853 PROCESSIONAL HYMN** When Morning Gilds the Skies

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

**And also with you.**

**KYRIE** from *Messe Solennelle* | Charles-Marie Widor

*Kyrie eléïson*

Lord have mercy

*Christe eléïson*

Christ have mercy

*Kyrie eléïson*

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**GLORIA** *from Messe Solennelle* | Charles-Marie Widor

*Glória in excélsis Deo  
et in terra pax homínibus bonæ voluntátis.  
Laudámus te,  
benedícimus te,  
adorámus te,  
glorificámus te,  
grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam,  
Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis,  
Deus Pater omnípotens.*

*Dómine Fili Unigénite, Iesu Christe,  
Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris,  
qui tollis peccáta mundi,  
miserére nobis;  
qui tollis peccáta mundi,  
súscipe deprecatióem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserére nobis.*

*Quóniam tu solus Sanctus,  
tu solus Dóminus,  
tu solus Altíssimus,  
Iesu Christe,  
cum Sancto Spíritu:  
in glória Dei Patris.  
Amen.*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God almighty Father.  
  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of The Father,  
who takes away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father  
have mercy on us.  
  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**WORD**

*Please sit.*

**FIRST READING** Acts 11:1–18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied

me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 148** (*Setting by Peter R. Hallock*)

**Antiphon:**

Psalm 148: 13

*Organ:*

*Everyone:*



Choir: Hallelujah! Praise the lord from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights.  
Praise him, all you angels of his;  
praise him, all his host.

**Antiphon sung by all.**

Choir: Praise him, sun and moon;  
praise him, all you shining stars.  
Praise him, heaven of heavens;  
and you waters above the heavens.

**Antiphon sung by all.**

Choir: Let them praise the Name of the Lord;  
for he commanded, and they were created.  
He made them stand fast for ever and ever;  
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

**Antiphon sung by all.**

Choir: Let them praise the Name of the Lord;  
for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.  
He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants,  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

**Antiphon sung by all.**

**SECOND READING** Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise.*

#### **GOSPEL PROCESSION**



Choir: Everyone will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another.

#### **GOSPEL John 13:31–35**

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit.*

#### **SERMON**

*Please rise.*

**#367 HYMN OF THE DAY** Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

#### **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

... Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**  
*Please greet your neighbor: Peace be with you.*

#### **MEAL**

*Please sit.*

#### **OFFERING**

#### **MUSIC AT THE OFFERING** Psalm 1 | David Hurd

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,  
Nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
Nor say in the seats of the scornful!  
Their delight is in the law of the Lord,  
And they meditate on his law day and night.  
They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
Bearing fruit in due season,  
With leaves that do not wither;  
Everything they do shall prosper.  
It is not so with the wicked;  
They are like chaff which the wind blows away.  
Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes,  
Nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.  
For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,  
But the way of the wicked is doomed.

Please rise.

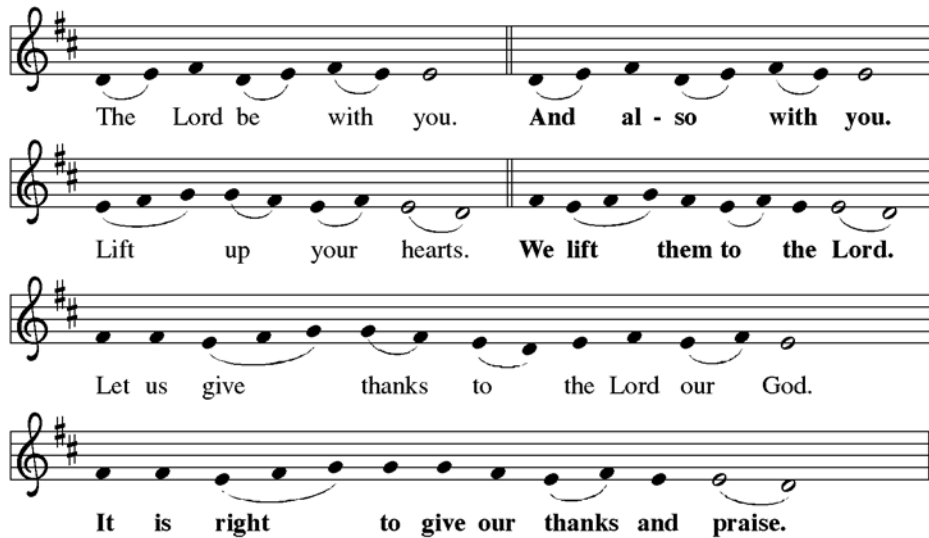
## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

**God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS from Messe Solennelle | Charles-Marie Widor

<i>Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,</i>	Holy, holy, holy
<i>Domine Deus Sabaoth.</i>	Lord God of hosts
<i>Plenisunt coeli et Terra Gloria Tua.</i>	heaven and earth are full of your glory.
<i>Hosana! In Excelsis Deo.</i>	Hosanna in the highest.
<i>Benedictus Qui Venit,</i>	Blessed is he who comes
<i>in nomine Deus domini</i>	in the name of the Lord.
<i>Hosana! In Excelsis Deo.</i>	Hosanna in the highest.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

## LORD'S PRAYER



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

*Please sit.*

### AGNUS DEI from Messe Solennelle | Charles-Marie Widor

*Agnus Dei, qui tolis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tolis peccata mundi  
dona nobis pacem.*

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world  
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
Grant us peace.



## THE COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread\*) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice. Gluten-free bread is available on request.*

**MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION** Suite pour Orgue, op. 5 | Maurice Duruflé  
II. Sicilienne

## COMMUNION HYMNS

#743 Now to the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

#482 I Come with Joy

*Please rise.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son.  
By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

## BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.*

#833 **RECESSIONAL HYMN** Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

*Stanza 1: sung by all*

*Stanza 2: low voices*

*Stanza 3: high voices*

*Stanza 4: organ, setting by Paul Manz*

*Stanza 5: all*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace to serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE** Transports de joie *from L'Ascension* | Olivier Messiaen



## TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Jesus Christ stands between the lover and the others he or she loves. I do not know in advance what love of others means on the basis of the general idea of love that grows out of my human desires—all this may rather be hatred and an insidious kind of selfishness in the eyes of Christ. What love is, only Christ tells in his Word. Contrary to all my own opinions and convictions, Jesus Christ will tell me what love toward my brother and sister really is. Therefore, spiritual love is bound solely to the Words of Jesus Christ. Where Christ bids me to maintain my fellowship for the sake of love, I will maintain it. Where his truth enjoins me to dissolve a fellowship for my love's sake, there I will dissolve it, despite all the protests of my self-centered love. Because spiritual love does not desire but rather serves, it loves an enemy as a brother or sister. It originates neither in the brother or sister nor in the enemy but in Christ and his Word. Self-centered love can never understand spiritual love, for spiritual love is from above; it is something completely strange, new and incomprehensible to all earthly love.

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906–1945)*

## SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER	The Rev. Emily Tveite
PREACHER	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
ACOLYTES	Kole Consigny, Roman Worzala Dumke
ASSISTING MINISTER	Margaret Miner
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Judy Braham, Randy Raasch, Janet Zentner
CRUCIFER	Brian Uphoff
LECTOR	Brenda Ryther
SACRISTAN	Mary Powell
AUDIO	Bill Braham
VIDEO	Lee Powell
HEAD USHER	Bob Uphoff
USHERS	Chris Uphoff

**Our thanks to organists Bruce Bengtson, Linda Morgan Stowe, and John Chappell Stowe for enriching our worship this morning.**

**Altar flowers are given by Casey & Eric Oelkers in honor of Dylan's 16th birthday.**

**Pastor Brad Pohlman is away on sabbatical until Monday, July 14.**

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