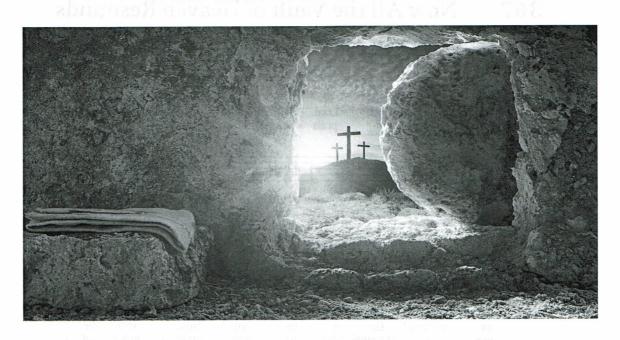
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May 2, 2021 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:30 AM - Worship

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Prelude "Come into His Presence" - Lynn Baird- piano Welcome - Announcements Introduction to Worship

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

PEOPLE: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED. ALLELUIA!

EASTER

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Easter Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of

the Holy Spirit be with you all.

PEOPLE: AND ALSO WITH YOU

Prayer of the Day

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading- Acts 8: 26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,

and like a lamb silent before its shearer,

so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Psalm 22: 25-31

From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of lose who fear the LORD. ²⁶The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever! ²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before GOD. ²⁸For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations. ²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, through they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD. 30Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim

to generations to come.

31They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them,

"The LORD has acted!"

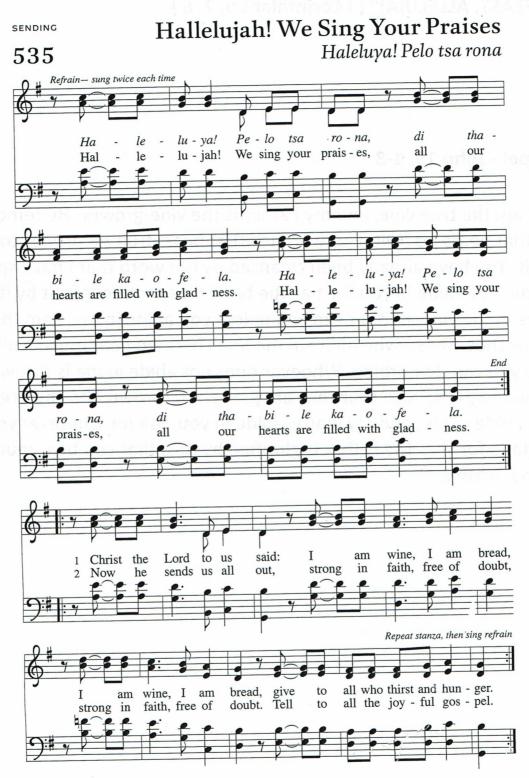
SPOKEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (said by all)

"ALLELUIA. CHRIST, OUR PASCHAL LAMB, HAS BEEN SACRIFICED. THEREFORE, LET US KEEP THE FEAST. ALLELUIA!" (I Corinthians 5: 7, 8)

The Holy Gospel - John 15: 1-8

[Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Message



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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;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL LEADERS

New Council Members- Kathy Hlavaty, Barbara Naska, Becky Praster, Dianna Streletz

OFFICERS -

President -

Scott Gaun

Vice President -

Val McGinn

Secretary -

Barbara Naska

Treasurer -

Beth Snyder

Financial Secretary - Kathy Hlavaty

Prayers and Intercessions:

Pastor: O Loving God,

People: MAKE US ONE IN YOU.

Sign of Peace

Offertory Prayer (said by Pastor)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: WE LIFT THEM TO THE LORD.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.

Jesus' Words of Institution (said by Pastor)
The Lord's Prayer
Invitation to Communion

Pastor: The risen Christ invites us to this table.

Come, eat and be satisfied.

(At this time, remove the seal at the bottom of the small chalice, remove the small piece of bread. Hold it in your hand)

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. Take and eat. (Eat the bread)

(At this time, remove the seal above the small chalice. Hold the chalice in your hand.)

P: This is the blood of Christ, shed for you. Take and drink.

(Drink the wine or grape juice. Set down the small chalice for prayer.)

P: (Communion Blessing) The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. AMEN.

Prayer after Communion (said by Pastor)

Easter Blessing (Pastor): The God of life, Father, + Son,
and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Dismissal:

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

PEOPLE: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED. ALLELUIA!

Pastor: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD. ALLELUIA!

Postlude: "I Am Praying for You" - Ira D. Sankey, Arranged by Albin C. Whitworth - Organ

Helping in Worship

Organist/Choir Director

Altar Guild

Usher

Technology Leader

Office Secretary

Custodian

- Carolyn Williams

- Linda Sauter and Bea von Watzdorf

- Joe Hlavaty

- Ken Anderson

- Jessica Mette

- Dianna Streletz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- WORSHIP: Each Sunday at 10:30AM (with managed numbers)
 - Livestreamed on Facebook & YouTube.
- Sunday School: "Whirl" weekly broadcast via Facebook
- MAY "OUTREACH" OFFERING: Designated for Church World Service "Blankets" in disasters.
- •SMALL GROUP BIBILE STUDY will resume, in-person, Thursday, May 6 in the church fellowship hall. Please wear a mask and bring a Bible. 2:30PM