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May 15, 2022 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:30 AM - Holy Communion/ ELW Setting 3

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Prelude - “Triumphal March ” - Tchaikovsky

Welcome - Announcements

Introduction to Worship

P: Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

C: Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia

Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: Amen.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(Silence for reflection)*

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn - ELW #367 - "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" vs. 1&4 (Stand if you are able)

Apostolic Greeting - ELW page 138

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

C: And also with you.

Kyrie ELW Page 138

Hymn of Praise: This is the FeastELW Page 140

Prayer of the Day

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 Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(Please be Seated)

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."

Lector: **The Word of the Lord.** PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Psalm 30

Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise God in the heights.

²Praise the LORD, all you angels; sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.

³Praise the LORD, sun and moon; sing praise, all you shining stars.

**⁴Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens, and
you waters above the heavens.**

⁵Let them praise the name of the LORD, who commanded,
and they were created,

**⁶who made them stand fast forever and ever,
giving them a law that shall not pass away.**

⁷Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps;

⁸fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing God's will;

⁹mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

¹⁰wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds;

¹¹sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;

¹²young men and maidens, old and young together.

¹³Let them praise the name of the LORD, whose name only is exalted,
whose splendor is over earth and heaven.

**¹⁴The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all
faithful servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near the
LORD. Hallelujah!**

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."

Lector: **The Word of the Lord**

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand) ELW page 142

The Holy Gospel - John 13: 31-35

P: The holy gospel according to John:

C: 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."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

(Be seated after the gospel)

Message/ Sermon - Rev. Shirley Guider

Hymn of the Day - ELW #377 - "Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!" vs. 1&2

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 and Intercessions:

Pastor: Merciful God,

People: Receive our prayer

Sharing of the Peace

Offertory - Choir - My Heart Sings Out With Joyful Praise

Offertory Song - ELW 186 - Create in Me a Clean Heart O God

Offertory Prayer (said by Pastor)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (sung- page 144)

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.**

Preface for Easter (sung by Pastor)

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord” (sung) ELW pg. 144

Eucharistic Prayer (said by Pastor)

The Lord’s Prayer

“Lamb of God” (sung) ELW pg. 146

Invitation to Communion

P: The risen Christ dwells with us here. All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

Distribution of Bread & Fruits of the Vine (please follow ushers)

Hymn during Distribution- ELW 377, vs. 3, 4, 5

Communion Table Blessing (said by Pastor after all have communed)

Prayer after Communion (said by Pastor)

Blessing

P: God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, + bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Sending Song: ELW# 392 - “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!” vs.1&2

Dismissal:

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

C: Thanks be to God.

Helping in Worship

Preacher	- Rev. Shirley Guider
Organist/Choir Director	- Carolyn Williams
Acolyte	- TBD
Altar Guild	- Val McGinn and Bea von Watzdorf
Lector	- Mark Harwick
Usher	- Joe Hlavaty
Council Counting Team	- Barb Naska and Becky Praster
Technology	- Ken Anderson
Office Secretary	- Jessica Mette
Custodian	- Dianna Streletz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY, Sunday, May 15th - Fifth Sunday of Easter with Rev. Shirley Guider Heckman
- MONDAY, May 16th - Council Meeting at 7:00PM
- Next Sunday, May 22nd - Sixth Sunday of Easter with Rev. James Heckman
- Wednesdays @ 10:30 to 12:15 – Pastor’s Office Hours
- The Adult Bible study meets from 2:00-4:00 at the home of Don Seipt and Kathy Hlavaty on Thursdays. Carpooling from the church is available.

- MAY BIRTHDAYS- MAY 15TH - Beth Snyder; MAY 19th - Annabel Williams
- MAY BAPTISMS - MAY 18th - Frank Erceg; MAY 21st - Jim Altemose; MAY 22nd - Dianna Streletz
- MAY “OUTREACH OFFERINGS” will go to support Blanket Sunday which we traditionally hold on Mother’s Day; but we will be collecting all month. The money collected will be given to Church World Service to buy blankets which they give to victims of disasters. We will also be celebrating Father’s Day by collecting money for Church World Service to buy tools to help those who are experiencing disasters. If you would like to dedicate your donation in memory or honor of your mother or father, write that information on the outside of you Outreach envelope, and we will put this information in our newsletter.
- There is another sign up list located on the bulletin board in the narthex for Food Basket donations. Helen Dungan is putting a food basket in the altar in memory of her mother, Mary Dungan who would be 106 on May 5th

Please lift up in prayer the following ...

Michael Altemus; David and Joanne Antoni; Virginia Hager; George & Betty Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Steven Streletz; Joanne & Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family:

Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Michael Barats; Anthony Beck; Jason Bigley; Kelly Bordelon; Emma Brown; Deb Carmichael; Alice Cicatielle; Bill Corrigan; Lisa & Dave DeLorenzo; Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Nancy Edelen; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Gerry Foran; Debbie Gardner; LaDonna Gibbs; Candie Gimbar; Lois James & family; Virginia Johnson; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Lauren Keebler; Martine King; Chelsea Marley; Jim McAnally; Sue Odor; Lucia Otero; Lisa Pezzino; Donnie Pyne; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; David Sebring; Alex Sempt; Ron Steele; Jesse Stimell; Donna Storm; Jeffrey Tapler; Russ Trauger; Linda Wilson