

Today's Participants

Pastor: Joachim Wilck

Organist: Lucas Myers

Cantor: Jonathan Howell

Service Leader: Lois Dannenberg

Usher: Peggy Hamblin

Lector: Deb Yackel

Greeters: Jason Stone

Communion Assistants: Peggy Hamblin & Deb Macksamie

Special thanks to those who are providing coffee-hour for us today.

And a very Happy Mother's Day!

Prelude: Children's Bell Choir

Introduction

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those "who have come out of the great ordeal" in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



Thanksgiving for Baptism

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen

All: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: In the name of † the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life,

let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

(Pastor prays over the Baptismal Font)

Pastor: Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a

people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in

your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

All: Make us one as you are one.

Pastor: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers

and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O

Living One,

All: Make us one as you are one.

Pastor: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of

believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living

One.

All: Make us one as you are one.

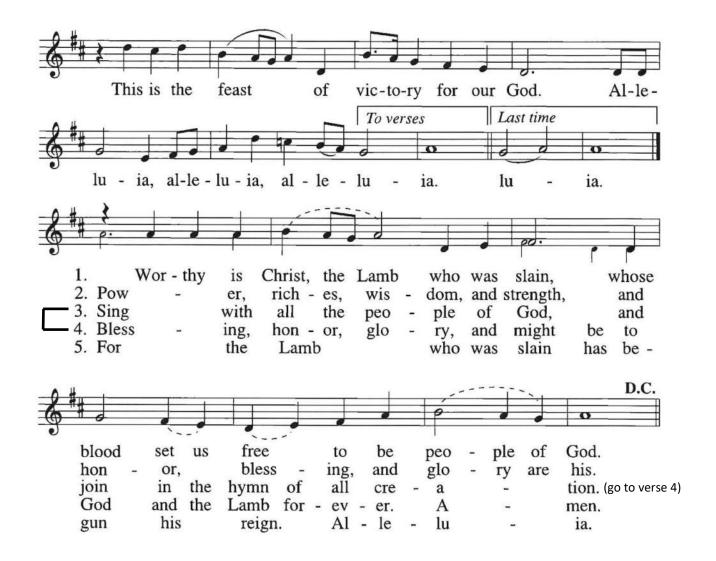
Pastor: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by

these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus,

the Crucified and Risen One.

All: Amen.

Canticle of Praise



Apostolic Greeting & Prayer of the Day

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

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Acts 9:36-43

Lector: {Dorcas was a faithful and devoted woman of charity in the community of Joppa. Her kindness and her work with clothing were well-known, especially to the widows in town. When she fell ill and died, Peter raised her back to life through the power of prayer.}

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. All:

Psalm 30

Lector: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

All: The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's Lector: sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear All: no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my Lector: head with oil, and my cup is running over.

All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

Lector: {Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering.}

A reading from the book of Revelation.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Festival Alleluia

by James Chepponis

Choir or Cantor sings first time, then congregation repeat.



***VERSE: Jesus says I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep and they know me.

Gospel: John 10:22-30

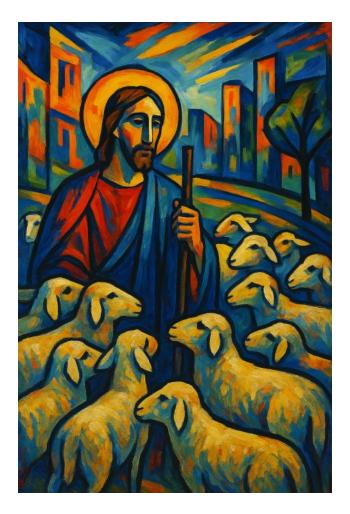
Pastor: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.



Sermons: Children And Adult

Pastor Joachim Wilck



The Nicene Creed

All: 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

Pastor: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

You guide your people to the waters of life. Make your church a nourishing place for all who are thirsty for hope and healing. Renew us in the waters of baptism, and send us forth as signs of your love. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: You tend to the earth, sustaining life in all places. Revive fragile ecosystems and restore species in danger of extinction. Teach us new ways of living in balance and harmony with our non-human neighbors. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: You lead all peoples along right pathways. Grant wisdom and compassion to

judges, lawyers, mediators, and legal advocates. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: You wipe the tears from every eye. Tend to all who struggle with anxiety or

depression, loneliness, or despair. Enfold all who are in any need in your

shepherding care. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: This Mother's Day, bless mothers, grandmothers, and all who offer mothering

care. Come close to those whose relationships with their families are difficult, and console all who grieve the loss of mother figures or the loss of children.

Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: You are the source of everlasting life. In deep gratitude for all your saints, we

rejoice in the joy and hope of the resurrection made known to us in Jesus, your

beloved child. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are

always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

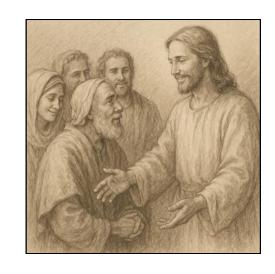
All: Amen.

Sharing of Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always!

All: And also with you.

We greet each other with a sign of peace.



Offertory Anthem

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Frahm

The offering is collected and brought forward during the singing of the Anthem.

My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is his name; in pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay; one word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; oh, may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise. There would I find a settles rest, while others go and come; no more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Offering Prayer

Pastor: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these

gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us

with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

All: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

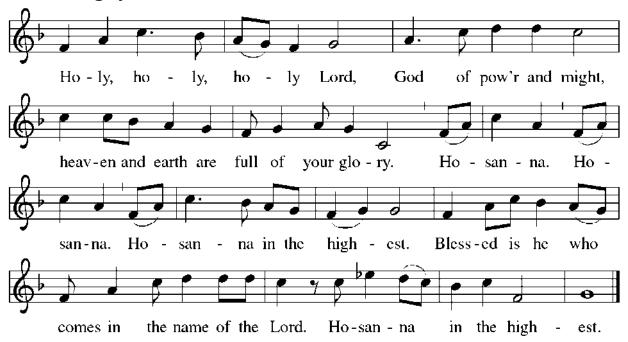
All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Pastor: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy

Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

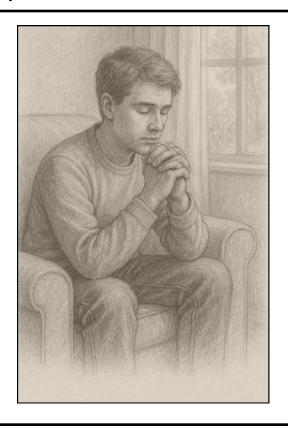
All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.



Invitation to Communion

Pastor: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

All: Amen.

Communion Anthem

"Shepherd Me, O God" by Marty Haugen

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, You lead my by pathways of righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your Name.

Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.

You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my power to hold.

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of my God forever more.



Table Grace

Pastor: Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

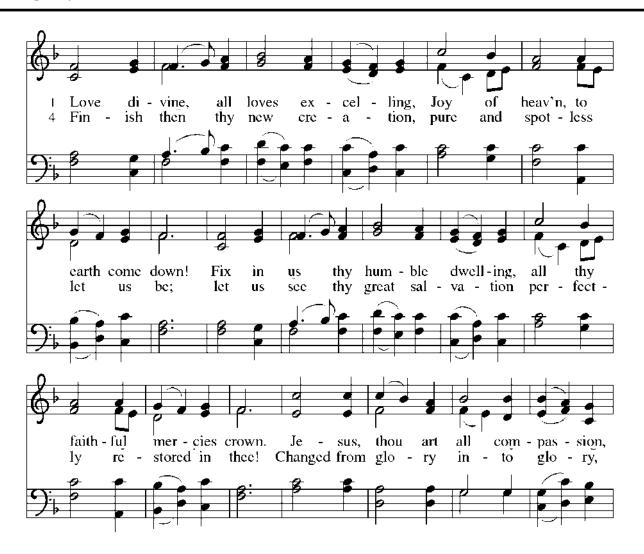
Pastor: Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. **Amen.**

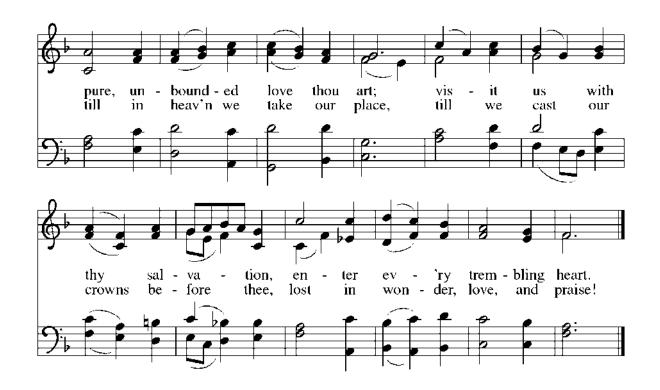
Benediction

Pastor: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, †Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling





Dismissal

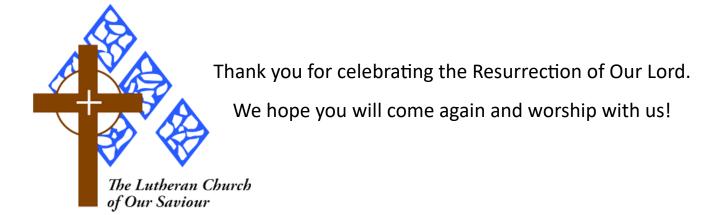
Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude





Happening this Week—May 11—May 18

Sunday, May 11(Mother's Day)

9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal	
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School	
10:00 a.m.		
11:00 a.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal	
Monday, May 12		
6:30 p.m	Scouting America	
Tuesday, May 13		
10:00 a.m.	Bible Study	
6:30 p.m.	Properties Committee	
Friday, May 16		
5:30 p.m	German School	
Saturday, May 17		
9:00 a.m.—Noon	German School	
Sunday, May 18		
9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal	
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School	
10:00 a.mCommunion		
11:00 a.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal	

Next Sunday's Participants

Service Leader: Ann Seppa

Usher: Jen Large Lector: Dave Cuff

Communion Assistants: Dick Ransom & Wendy Forrest

Greeters: Lois Dannenberg

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Jeff Blank	May 11
Richard Forsey	May 11
Jennifer Forsey	
Richard L. Yackel	_
Daryl Jarvis	•
Ben Morningstar	•
Ella Witt	•
Larry Nazarian	•

Happy Anniversary to: Jason & Brenda Stone—May 12 (7 years) Larry & Jennifer Guiles—May 13 (25 years)

Upcoming Events & Reminders

Loop Ministry <i>board member needd</i>	ed, speak to Dave Cuff.
*****Spring Grounds Cleanup	DETAILS SOON
Memorial Day	May 26th
WELCA "Lunch Out"	June 3rd
Pentecost/Confirmation	June 8th
Father's Day & Trinity Sunday & Opening Day Bas	ss Fishing <i>June 15th</i>
Pastor Wilck's Final Service & Retirement Bash retirement luncheon, location, and time	



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