



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 25, 2025 • 10:00 a.m.

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF OUR SAVIOUR

Today's Participants

Pastor: Joachim Wilck

Organist: Lucas Myers

Cantor: Jonathan Howell

Service Leader: Ed Jarvis

Usher: Patti & Elton Schulz

Lector: Andy Eichner

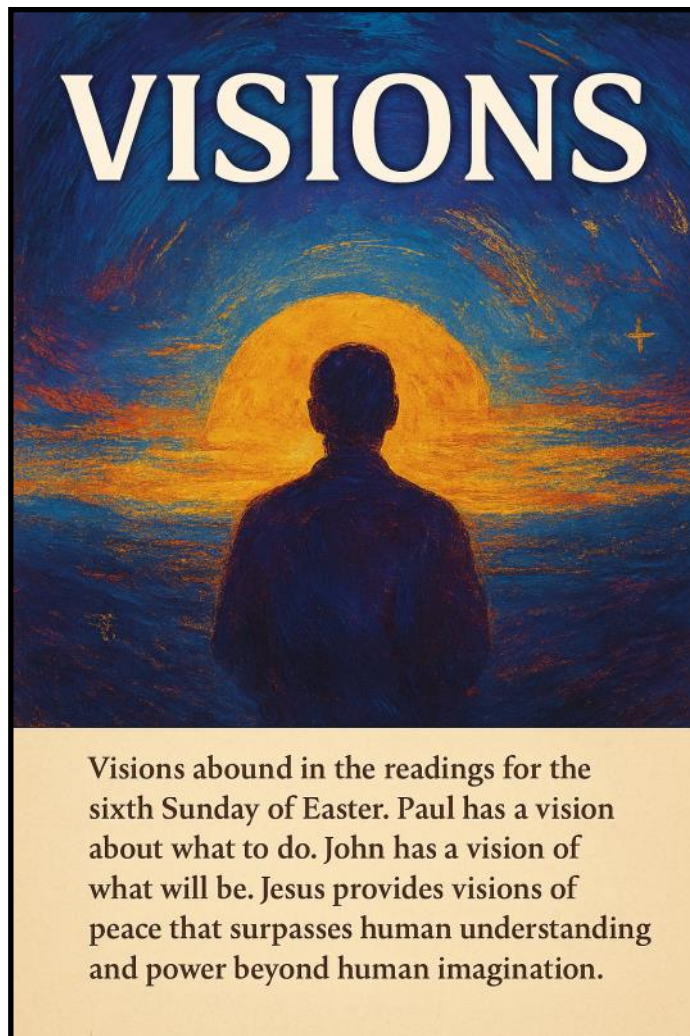
Greeters: Carol Werth

Communion Assistants: Larry Nazarian & Carol Werth

Cross Bearer: Lois Dannenberg

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

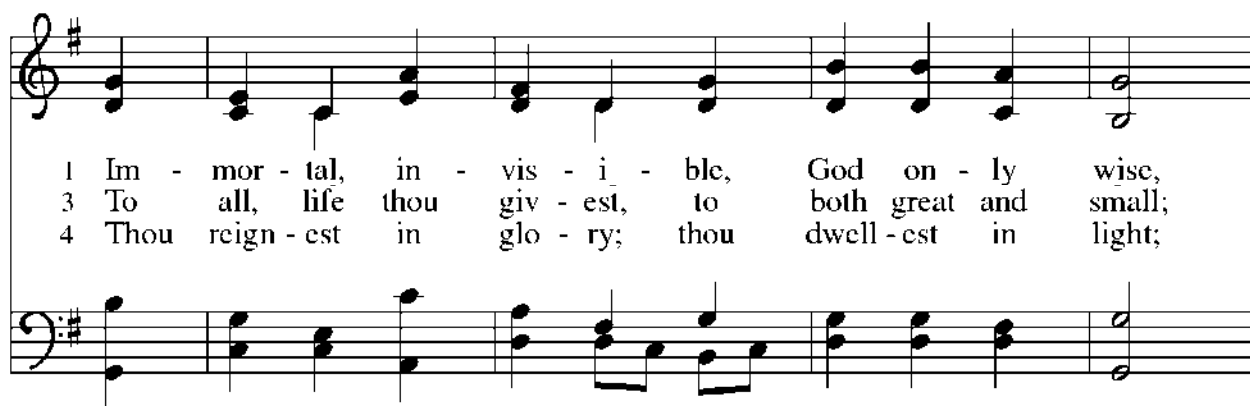
Additionally, we thank Ed Jarvis for his organizing, ordering and lovingly tending to our Veteran Brick Flagpole Memorial.



Prelude

Entrance Hymn

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"



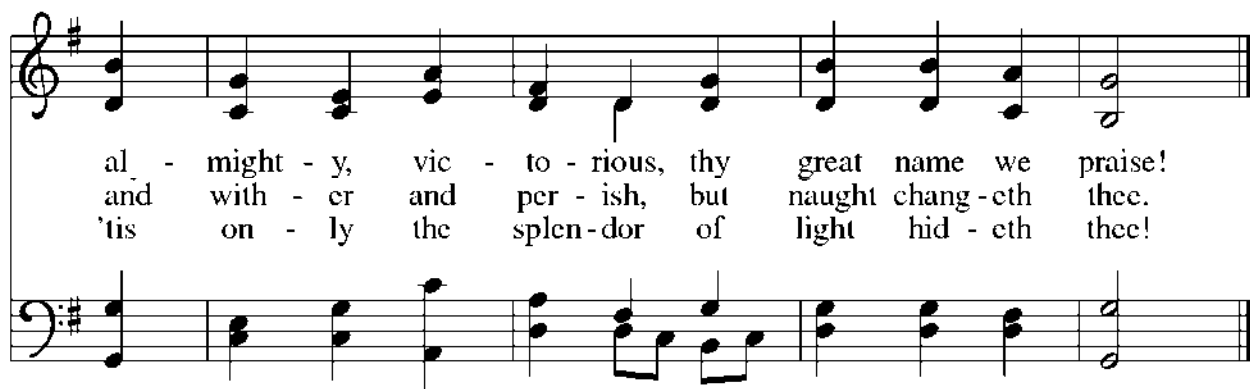
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 we blos - som and flour - ish, the like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

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.



1. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. (go to verse 4)
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

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: Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, 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 16:9-15

Lector: {A vision compels Paul to move his ministry into Greece. There he meets Lydia, an important person in the business community, whose heart has been opened by God to receive the gospel. Her conversion and baptism provide the impetus for the founding of the church at Philippi.}

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67

Lector: May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.

All: Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

Lector: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

All: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.

Lector: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

All: The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.

Lector: May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

Lector: {John's vision of a new Jerusalem coming out of heaven provides continuity with God's past actions. Yet in this new city, God's presence replaces the temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb supplants sun and moon.}

A reading from the book of Revelation.

In the spirit, one of the angels carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city.

On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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: Those who love me will keep my word, and my father will dwell in love with them, with them...

Gospel: John 14:23-29

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus answered Judas (not Iscariot), “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

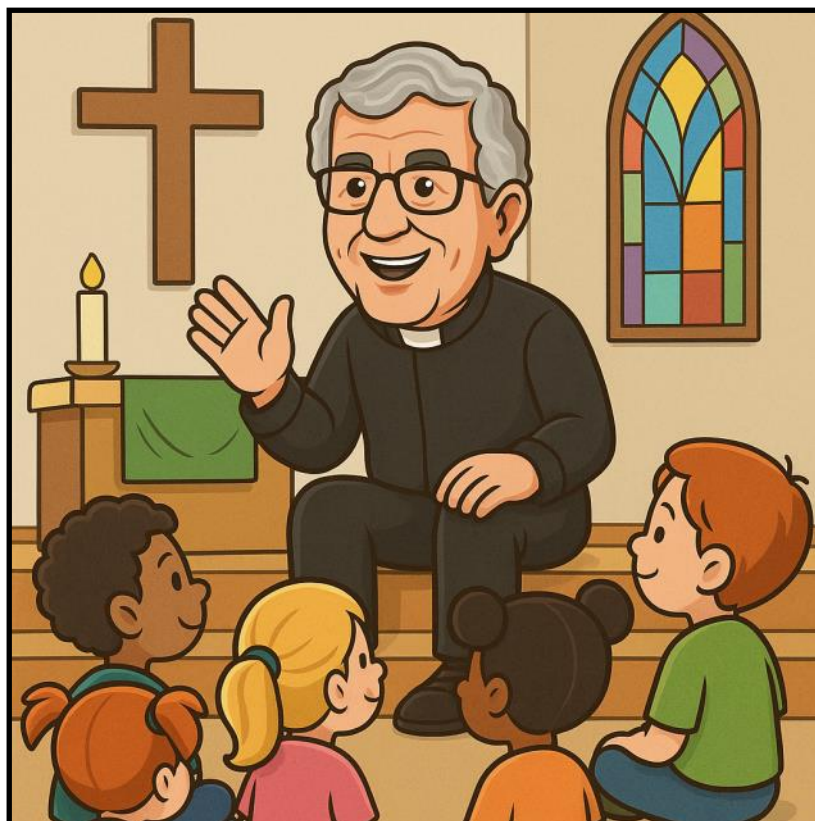
“I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermons: Children And Adult

Pastor Joachim Wilck



1 Come down, O Love di - vine; seek thou this soul of mine
 2 Oh, let it free - ly burn, till world - ly pas - sions turn
 3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty mine out - ward ves - ture be,
 4 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 and low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing—
 shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 true low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler part,
 no soul can guess Love's grace till it be - come the place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 and o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.

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.

Unite your people with communities of faith throughout the world. Further cooperation between people of different faith traditions and bless our non-Christian neighbors, Hear us, O God.

All: **Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: Bless the earth with fresh water, clean air, and rich soil. Nurture growing crops and encourage communities developing sustainable farming practices. Help us to live in balance and harmony with your good creation. Hear us, O God.

All: **Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: Reconcile nations and communities suffering from violence and conflict. Protect refugees, asylum-seekers, and all long for a better life. Help prosperous nations find humane and creative ways to help new citizens assimilate into their culture. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: Sustain all who are in need, especially individuals and families struggling with trauma or addiction. Support caregivers, especially nurses, doctors, counselors, and social workers. Come alongside all who are ill or struggling. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: This Memorial Day weekend, we remember all who have died in military service. Soothe loved ones who mourn, and strengthen support systems for veterans and their families. Bring peace among nations, that war and conflict around the world might cease. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: We give you thanks for all your saints raised to new life in Christ. Gather us, with them, into the peace only you can give. 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.

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

“Fly Like a Bird” Ken Canedo

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

Fly like a bird to the Lord, my soul. I want to soar like an eagle.
Though I may journey far away from home, I know I'll never be alone.

O God, you know who I am. You know my hopes and my dreams.
In my pondering and fears, in my joy and in my tears, O God, your presence is real.

Where can I run from your love? Where can I hide from my God?
From the dawn of morning's light to the darkness of the night, O God, your presence is real.

When I am down and afraid, when I am falling away,
you extend a gentle hand, and I know you understand. O God your presence is real.

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.

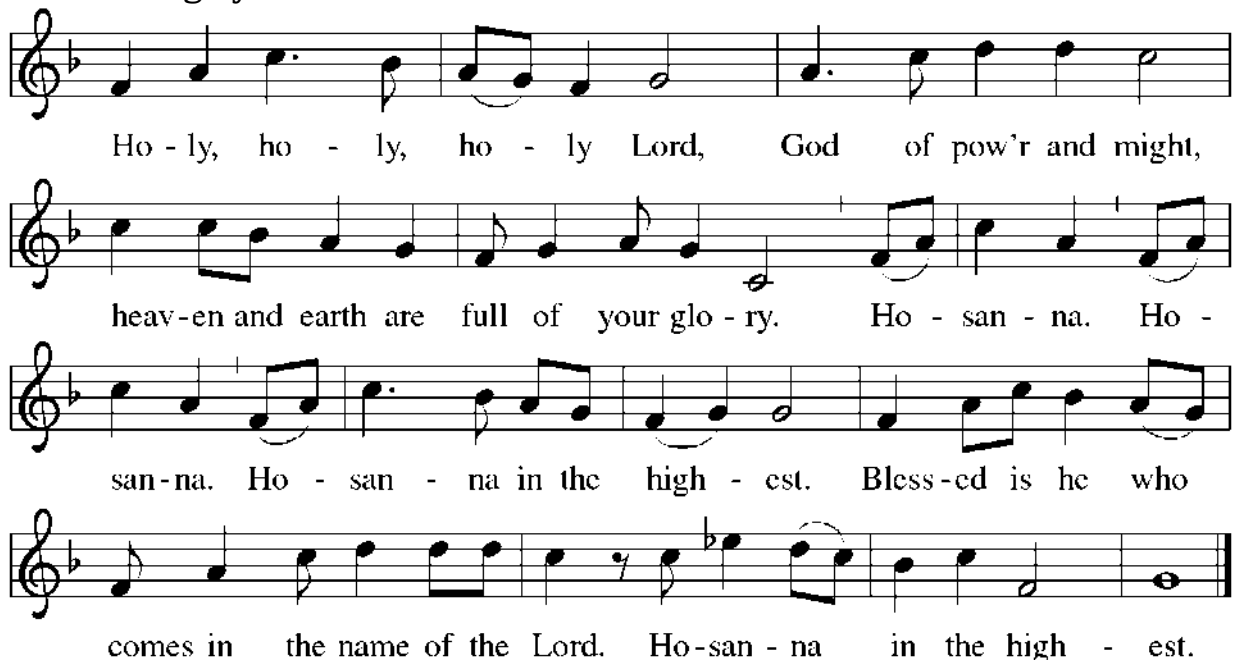
All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

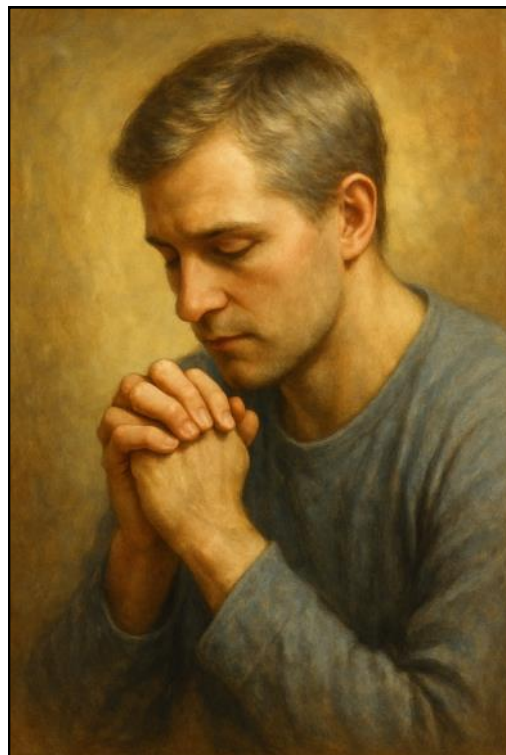
Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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 the Lord. Receive the gift of new life.

All: Amen.

Communion Anthem

“Shout With Joy” by Sandy Wilkinson

Shout with joy, shout with joy to God. All the earth shout with joy to God.
Sing a song, sing a song of praise. All the earth sing a song of praise.

O how awesome are his deeds, how great is his power.
All the earth bows deeply to him, singing praise to our King.

Communion Hymn

“Jerusalem My Happy Home”

1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when shall I come to thee?
2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints, O sweet and pleas - ant soil!
3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks con - tin - ual - ly are green;
4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit and ev - er - more do spring;
5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God grant that I may see

When shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
In thee no sor - row may be found, no grief, no care, no toil.
there grow such sweet and pleas - ant flow'rs as no - where else are seen.
there ev - er - more the an - gels sit and ev - er - more do sing.
thine end - less joy, and of the same par - tak - er ev - er be!

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains the first five lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the remaining lines. The lyrics are printed below the corresponding musical staves.

Table Grace

Pastor: The 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


"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y -
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of



bear! What a priv - i - lege to car - ry
 where? We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—
 care? Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—



ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we of - ten
 take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so
 take it to the Lord in prayer. Do your friends de-spise, for-



for - feit; oh, what need-less pain we bear—
 faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share?
 sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—
In his arms he'll take and shield you;

ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
take it to the Lord in prayer.
you will find a so - lace there.

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



Thank you for celebrating the Resurrection of Our Lord.

We hope to see you next Sunday!

Announcements for May 25, 2025



Sunday, May 25

9:00 a.m.....Choir Practice
9:15 a.m.....Sunday School
10:00 a.m.....Communion Service
11:00 a.m. Veteran Brick and Flag Dedication at flagpole
11:15 a.m.....Bell Choir Rehearsal

Monday, May 26—Memorial Day

Office Closed

Tuesday, May 27

10:00 a.m..... Bible Study

Friday, May 30

5:30 p.m.German School Classes

Saturday, May 31

9:00 a.m.....German School Classes

Sunday, June 1 (observance of Ascension)

9:00 a.m.....Choir Practice
9:15 a.m.....Sunday School (special activity day)
10:00 a.m.....Communion Service
11:10 a.m.....Bell Choir Practice

A celebration of song and dance

(Featuring our own Jennifer Kelly!!!!)

Arts Unlimited have renamed their annual spring production! "Inspire: A celebration of song and dance" it will showcase their vocal group and, dance group! Both groups were designed to allow individuals to have fun, make music and dance, in a safe and comfortable environment.

Come see *INSPIRE* on June 22, 2025, 3PM at Churchville-Chili High School!



VETERANS MEMORIAL DEDICATION



Following today's worship service, we invite you to gather at the Veteran Memorial Flag Pole for as we dedicate 2 new bricks in honor of:

- Joe Caputo, U.S. Army, 1972-1992
- Donald B. Pierce, U.S. Army WWII

In recognition of Memorial Day, we remember and give thanks for 52 deceased veterans who are connected to our congregation.

[a listing is kept by the main bulletin board.]

Please join us for this solemn
act of remembrance.

*'Greater love has no one than this, that
someone lay down his life for his friends.'*

John 15:13



Remembering Reformation



A dedication ceremony is planned for the historical marker commemorating Reformation Lutheran Church's 153 years of ministry in the City of Rochester.

This ceremony will take place at Reformation's former building at:

**111 North Chestnut Street in Rochester
Saturday, June 7th at 2:00 PM**

Following the ceremony, attendees are invited to gather for a time of fellowship at the home of Gail & Arnie Boldt at:

**126 Commodore Parkway,
Rochester, NY (Town of Brighton)**

All are welcome.

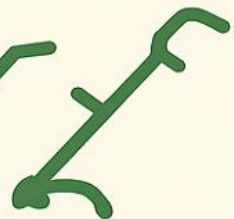
Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by May 31st with the number attending by emailing ArnoldBoldt@aol.com or by texting / calling 585-737-7258.



YARD CLEANUP DAY

JUNE 7TH • 9:00 AM

Bring your rakes, pruners, shovels,
wheelbarrows, trimmers, and leaf blowers!



Next Sunday's Participants

Service Leader: Brian Spencer
Usher: Larry & Sharon Nazarian
Lector: Pam Spencer
Communion Assistants: Lois Dannenberg & Pam Spencer
Greeter: Joe Caputo
Cross Bearer—TBA

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Elliana Karcher May 26
Annabelle Guiles May 27
Ann Morningstar May 27
Elizabeth Ernisse May 30

Happy Anniversary:

David & Cheryl Stone
May 26 (52 years)

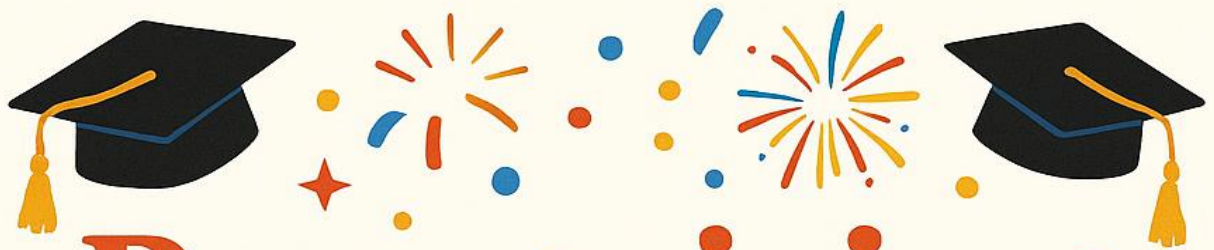
Rainer & Elizabeth Stellrecht
May 27 (46 years)

Paul & Peggy Hamblin
May 28 (42 years)

Jim & Linda Palmer
May 31 (45 years)

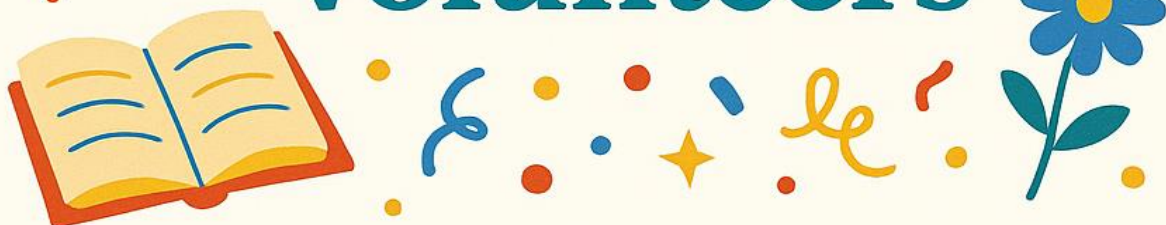


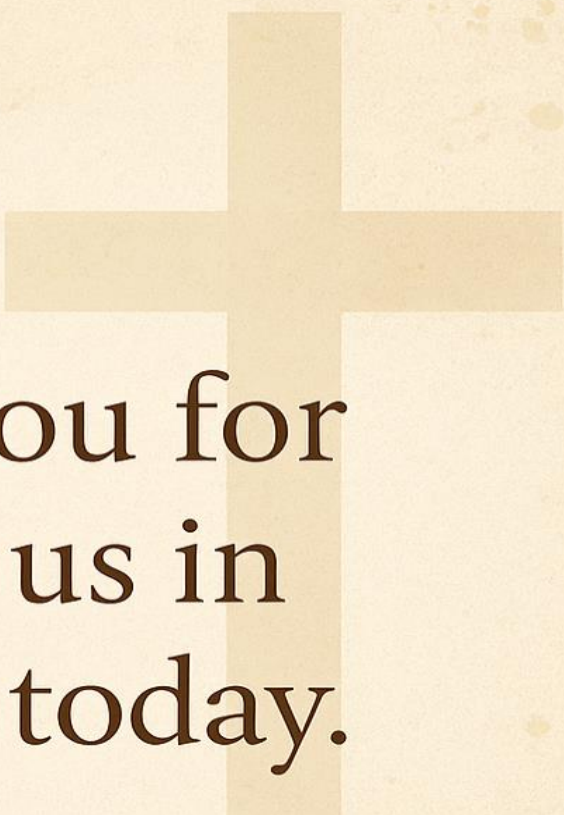

Sunday, June 15



**Recognizing
Our
Graduates**

**Honoring Our
★ Sunday School
♥ Teachers and
Volunteers**





Thank you for
joining us in
worship today.

Have a *blessed* week.
See you next *Sunday*!

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