

May 17, 2026 - 9:00 am
Ascension Sunday



ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:00 am • Sunday, May 17, 2026

Words in **BOLD** are for congregational participation, either said or sung.

Words to hymns are printed in this bulletin, but you are encouraged to open up and use the red ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Worship) hymnal found below or in front of your seat. Hymn numbers are provided.

PRELUDE

Selections

Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INVOCATION

Come and Fill Our Hearts

OPENING HYMN

Gather Us In (Vs. 1, 2, 4)

ELW 532

Here in this place new light is streaming,
Now is the darkness vanished away;
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
Gather us in, the blind and the lame;
Call to us now and we shall awaken,
We shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
We are the old who yearn for your face;
We have been sung throughout all of history,
Called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
Gather us in, the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
Give us the courage to enter the song.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
Not in some heaven light years away;
But here in this place the new light is shining,
Now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
Gather us in and make us your own;
Gather us in, all peoples together,
Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

CALL TO WORSHIP

How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of God's love!
We are called to be Easter people!
Darkness cannot claim us!
Fear cannot bind us!
Christ is risen! **Christ is risen, indeed! Amen!**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
Amen

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Together, 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

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 and lives through faith.
Thanks be to God. Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (Vs. 1, 4)

ELW 858

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again. Gladly forever adore him!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray,

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

STORYTIME *Storytime is for the entire congregation as we begin our exploration of our text for the day.
Children are invited forward for Storytime as the congregation sings:*

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

As storytime ends, children are invited to return to their seats.

ANTHEM

All the Earth Sing Forth

W.A. Mozart

PREPARING FOR THE WORD *Listen, God Is Calling*

Leader: Listen,

**All: Listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting,
Offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.**

Leader: Jesus gave his mandate:

All: Share the good news

Leader: That he came to save us

All: And set us free.

READING

Acts 1:6-14

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away.

When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying: Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Pastor Marty Wyatt

HYMN OF THE DAY

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (Vs. 1-3)

ELW 392

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus, out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood."**

**Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise: "I am with you evermore"?**

Alleluia! Bread of heaven, here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, hear our plea
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us share the peace of Christ with those around us. Introduce yourself to someone new.

OFFERING

We gather as a people of God, in the presence of God, to offer up our thanks and praise.

Offering is one way in which we support and sustain our shared ministry.

*You may text your gift: Text <amount> to 651-383-1504,
or scan the QR code in this bulletin.*

Children are invited to bring their offering up to the front of the Worship Center.



OFFERING MUSIC

This Is My Father's World

arr. John Helgen

PRAYERS

Prayer response: Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW p. 153

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

DISTRIBUTION

Taste and see that the Lord is good. Christ's table is ready and all are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Non-communicating children are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. Gluten/peanut free bread is available - please indicate this preference to the server. White grape juice is available and can be found in the cups toward the center of the tray. If you are unable to come forward, we will bring the sacrament to you in your seat. Please indicate this preference as the communion minister walks down your aisle.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Lamb of God

ELW p. 154

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**In the singing, in the silence, in the hands expectant, open,
In the blessing, in the breaking, in your presence at this table,
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace;
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.**

**In the question, in the answer, in the moment of acceptance,
In the heart's cry, in the healing, in the circle of your people,
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace;
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.**

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

BLESSING

May the loving power of God, which raised Jesus to new life,
strengthen you in hope, enrich you with God's love,
and fill you with joy in the faith. **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

ELW 538

**The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,
To make of all the earth a better place to live. *(Repeat)***

**The angels are not sent into this world of pain
To do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name;
That falls to you and me and all who are made free.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today. *(Repeat)***

**The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,
To make of all the earth a better place to live. *(Repeat)***

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Believe the Good News. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Participants

Pastor Kent Claussen Gubrud

Pastor Marty Wyatt

Reader: Tom Lund

Musicians: RLC Choir, David Livingston, Jeff Bowar, John Helgen

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RLC ADULT EDUCATION • 9:00 am Sunday

May 24, 2026

**No Adult Ed
Memorial Day Weekend**

Please remember those
who bravely served our
country.



PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

MONDAYS AT 10:00 AM - UPPER LOUNGE

REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 22-26, 2026

9am - 12pm

REGISTER NOW!!!



Prayer Room

In need of some quiet and peace, the prayer and meditation chapel is open for you, Monday through Thursday 9am-3pm, or other times as the church is open. If you would like to schedule a time for quiet prayer, or are in need of prayer, please contact Pastor Kent at kclaussengubrud@rosevillelutheran.org.



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