

✠ Sixth Sunday of Easter ✠

May 9–10, 2026

✠ The Office of Vespers: 5:00 pm ✠

✠ The Office of Matins: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am ✠

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Silent Prayer Before Worship

Almighty and eternal God, You have assured us that our redemption is complete through the resurrection of Your Son. Give us the will to do in our lives what we profess with our lips; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude

Announcements

Opening Hymn

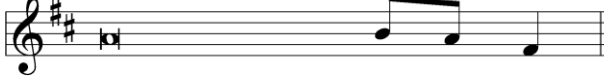
“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” *LSB 556*
Stanzas 1–5

Versicles

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L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

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Antiphon



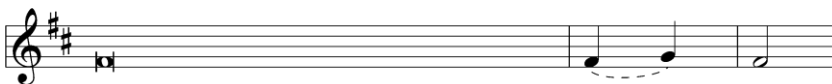
L The Lord is risen in - deed. Al - le - lu - ia.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite

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C 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,

2 For the Lord is a great God

3 The sea is His, for He made it,

5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

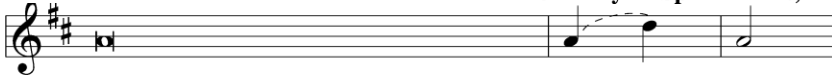


1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.

2 and a great king a - bove all gods.

3 and His hand formed the dry land.

5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,

2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;

3 O come, let us worship and bow down,

4 For He is our God,

5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.

2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.

3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.

4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Antiphon

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L The Lord is risen in - deed. Al - le - lu - ia.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 68:8–20

P Bless our God, O peoples;

C let the sound of His praise be heard,

P who has kept our soul among the living

C and has not let our feet slip.

P For You, O God, have tested us;

C You have tried us as silver is tried.

P You brought us into the net;

C You laid a crushing burden on our backs;

P You let men ride over our heads;

C we went through fire and through water; yet You have brought us out to a place of abundance.

P I will come into Your house with burnt offerings;

C I will perform my vows to You,

P that which my lips uttered

C and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

P I will offer to You burnt offerings of fattened animals, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;

C I will make an offering of bulls and goats.

P Come and hear, all you who fear God,

C and I will tell what He has done for my soul.

P I cried to Him with my mouth,

C and high praise was on my tongue.

P If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,

C the Lord would not have listened.

P But truly God has listened;

C He has attended to the voice of my prayer.

P Blessed be God,

C because He has not rejected my prayer or removed His steadfast love from me!

All Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Easter Acclamation

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Readings

First Reading

Acts 17:16–31

While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babblers wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. And He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward Him and find Him. Yet He is actually not far from each one of us, for

“‘In Him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, “‘For we are indeed His offspring.’”

Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now He commands all people everywhere to repent, because He has fixed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom He has appointed; and of this He has given assurance to all by raising Him from the dead.”

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

1 Peter 3:13–22

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to

(8:00) **Children’s Message**

Office Hymn

“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” *LSB 556*
Stanzas 6–10

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) **Sermon**

“As Orphans” *John 14:15–21*

(11:00) **Recognition of 2026 High School Graduates**

Daniel Beckemeier
Evan Brueggeman
Evan DeArmond
Madelyn Fogle
Eleanora Fussner
Alec Gates
Cade Hanse
Zoey Hayes
Jordyn Hopper
Pierce Jumper
Kenna Kalka

Seth Kremer
Sophia Lindemann
Gabriella Maender
Liam Marshall
Darren Meyer
Emily Oak
Evan Pashia
Hannah Propst
Michaela Propst
Grace Ridgley

Benjamin Rudzinski
Adam Schelker
Savannah Sergel
Heidi Sprick
Brady Susic
Hannah Tabor
Liliana Taube
Jonathan Thompson
Hannah Truesdell
Kirstin Ward
Kaitlin Wilson

Apostles’ Creed

- ☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**
- And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**
- I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

(11:00) **Sermon**

“As Orphans” *John 14:15–21*

Canticle

“Te Deum” *LSB, p. 223*

Offering

Prayer

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

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P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.

Collect of the Day

P O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

† All who mourn the death of Harold Hagemann.

† All who mourn the death of Denise Hunter.

(Saturday) Concluding Collect for Peace

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

(Sunday) Concluding Collect for Grace

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus

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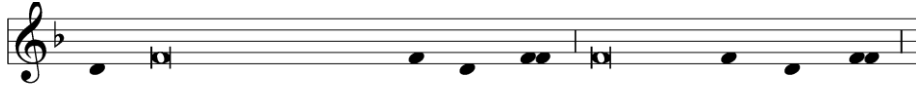
L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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P The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C A - - men.

Easter Acclamation

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Closing Hymn

“Now Thank We All Our God” LSB 895

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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Preacher

Liturgist

Assisting Seminarists

Organist

Rev. Chris Shearman

(5:00, 11:00) Pastor Schudde

(8:00, 9:30) Pastor Wade

(5:00) William Jackson

(8:00) Noah Bauer

(9:30) Micah Cumming

(11:00) Jacob Diercks

Kantor Gerhardt

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