

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
**May 17, 2026**  
**Lord of Life Lutheran Church**

**WELCOME**

**HYMN**

*When Peace Like a River*

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**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne  
and to the Lamb!

**Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,  
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.  
You lead us beside still waters.  
We thank you for the waters of creation:  
morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.  
We thank you for the waters that nourish us.

Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness  
who accompanies us on our journeys.  
We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.  
We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.  
Break down barriers that divide us.  
Fill us with the breath of peace.

Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,  
and for making us a new creation.  
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

# KYRIE


*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



*Refrain*

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**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**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**PSALM: Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35**



- <sup>1</sup> Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered;  
let those who hate God flee.
- <sup>2</sup> **As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away;  
as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.**
- <sup>3</sup> But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;  
let them also be merry and joyful.
- <sup>4</sup> **Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who rides the clouds;  
I Am is that name, rejoice before God! R**
- <sup>5</sup> In your holy habitation, O God,  
you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;
- <sup>6</sup> **you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom;  
but the rebels shall live in desert places.**
- <sup>7</sup> O God, when you went forth before your people,  
when you marched through the wilderness,
- <sup>8</sup> **the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,  
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**
- <sup>9</sup> You sent a bountiful rain, O God;  
you restored your inheritance when it languished.
- <sup>10</sup> **Your people found their home in it;  
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor. R**
- <sup>32</sup> Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;  
sing praises to the Lord.
- <sup>33</sup> **You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens;  
you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.**
- <sup>34</sup> Ascribe power to God,  
whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.
- <sup>35</sup> **How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel,  
giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God! R**

**SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11**

<sup>12</sup> Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. <sup>13</sup> But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. <sup>14</sup> If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

<sup>5:6</sup> Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup> Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup> Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup> Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup> And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup> To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 17:1-11

<sup>1</sup> After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples,] he looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup> since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup> I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup> So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup> “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. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, <sup>8</sup> 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. <sup>9</sup> 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. <sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> 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.”

## SERMON

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Suzanne Bowen

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*I Come with Joy*

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## 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 power of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
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**

## **THE PRAYERS**

### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**OFFERTORY** *Everybody's Got Something to Offer*

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil;**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SENDING HYMN** *On Our Way Rejoicing* \ #537

### **THE BLESSING**

**May you be strengthened to witness and work for God's justice, truth, and peace.**

### **SENDING**

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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*Be Not Afraid*

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