



# Fifth Sunday of Easter Confirmation Sunday

May 3, 2026  
10am worship  
Facebook live

# WELCOME

# THANKS FOR JOINING US!

# Welcome to worship at **tierrasantalutheranchurch**

We're excited that you have chosen to worship with us. We encourage you to fill out the green visitor sheet located in the pew pocket and place it in the offering basket. Children's bulletins are available from an usher. A Nursery for children 3 and under is at the west end of the hallway.

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As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP BY PASTOR BOHDAN VADIS**

### **GATHERING SONG "God of Wonders"**

#### **Verse 1**

Lord of all creation  
Of water earth and sky  
The heavens are Your tabernacle Glory to the Lord on high

#### **Chorus**

God of wonders beyond our galaxy  
You are holy, holy  
The universe declares Your majesty  
You are holy, holy  
Lord of heaven and earth  
Lord of heaven and earth

#### **Verse 2**

Early in the morning  
I will celebrate the light  
When I stumble in the darkness I will call Your name by night

#### **Chorus**

God of wonders beyond our galaxy  
You are holy, holy  
The universe declares Your majesty  
You are holy, holy  
Lord of heaven and earth

Lord of heaven and earth

### **Bridge**

Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth)

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## **GATHERING PRAYER**

### **SONG “Jesus My Everything”**

#### **Verse 1**

I've been looking for a reason  
I've been longing for a purpose  
I'm losing all my meaning  
I've run out of excuses  
Lord it's hard to know You  
I don't always see Your plan  
But holiness is calling me  
So take me as I am

#### **Chorus**

('Cause) You are my ev'rything  
You are the song I sing  
I'll do anything for You  
Teach me how to pray  
To live a life of grace  
I'll go anywhere with You  
Jesus be my ev'rything

#### **Verse 2**

Lord I get so tired of the struggle within  
I settle in complacency  
And I'm weighed down in my sin  
So lead me past emotion  
'Cause they change with the wind  
I want to be a true disciple  
To daily choose Your hand

#### **Chorus**

('Cause) You are my ev'rything

You are the song I sing  
I'll do anything for You  
Teach me how to pray  
To live a life of grace  
I'll go anywhere with You  
Jesus be my ev'rything

**(repeat line)**

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## **SONG "Because of You"**

### **VERSE 1**

There's a place where the streets shine  
with the glory of the Lamb  
There's a way we can go there  
we can live there beyond time

### **PRE-CHORUS**

Because of You, Because of You  
Because of your love Because of Your blood

### **VERSE 2**

No more pain no more sadness  
no more suffering no more tears  
no more sin no more sickness  
no injustice no more death

### **PRE-CHORUS**

Because of You because of you  
Because of your love Because of your blood

### **CHORUS**

All our sins are washed away, and we can live forever  
now we have this hope because of you  
Oh we'll see you face to face and we will dance together  
in the city of our God because of You

## **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: 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.**

## **THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT**

All Christians are invited by our Lord to receive His Body and Blood in the Eucharist. Children who have not yet received First Communion instructions are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, but are requested to wait with Communing until they have been properly instructed. If you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest. *Wine is in the gold chalice and grape juice is in the pottery chalice.*

## **SONG “Hungry”**

### **Verse 1**

Hungry I come to You for I know You satisfy  
I am empty but I know Your love does not run dry

### **Pre-Chorus**

So I wait for You  
So I wait for You

### **Chorus**

I'm falling on my knees  
Offering all of me  
Jesus You're all this heart is living for

### **Verse 2**

Broken I run to You for Your arms are open wide  
I am weary but I know Your touch restores my life

### **Pre-Chorus**

### **Chorus x2**

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## **SONG “Pour Out My Heart”**

### **Verse**

Here I am once again  
I pour out my heart for I know  
That You hear every cry  
You are listening no matter  
What state my heart is in

You are faithful to answer  
With words that are true  
And a hope that is real  
As I feel Your touch  
You bring a freedom  
To all that's within  
In the safety of this place  
I'm longing to

### **Chorus**

Pour out my heart  
To say that I love You  
Pour out my heart  
To say that I need You  
Pour out my heart  
To say that I'm thankful  
Pour out my heart  
To say that You're wonderful

*repeat song*

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### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P:** Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

**C: Amen.**

### **Kids Choir**

**“Jesus Loves Me”**

**“He has the whole World in His Hands”**

**CHILDREN’S OFFERING - *Lutheran Border Concerns*** *LBCM is starting a Hygiene Kits Drive to help children across the Southern Border. Please help us support their effort to bring hygiene items to those in need.*

### **CHILDREN’S TIME**

### **CHILDREN DISMISSED TO GODLY PLAY**

**FIRST READING** *Stephen was one of the seven men chosen by the apostles to serve tables so that the apostles could be free to serve the word (Acts 6:1-6). Stephen does more than distribute food, however. For his preaching of God's word, he becomes the first martyr of the faith.*

**Acts 7:55-60**

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

**SECOND READING** *Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives. We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.*

**1 Peter 2:2-10**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

**GOSPEL** *On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.*

## **John 14:1-14**

**Jesus said to the disciples: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”**

## **MESSAGE BY PASTOR BOHDAN VADIS**

### **SONG “Lead Me To The Cross”**

#### **Verse 1**

Saviour I come quiet my soul Remember redemption's hill Where Your blood was spilled For my ransom

#### **Chorus**

Ev'rything I once held dear  
I count it all as loss  
Lead me to the cross where Your love poured out  
Bring me to my knees, Lord I lay me down  
Rid me of myself, I belong to You  
Oh, lead me, lead me to the cross

## **Verse 2**

You were as I tempted and  
tried human The word became flesh  
Bore my sin in death Now You're risen

## **Chorus**

## **Bridge**

To Your heart To Your heart  
Lead me to Your heart Lead me to Your heart  
Lead me to the cross

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## **COMMUNITY PRAYERS**

This week, please keep in your prayers: *Reid Bixler, Barbara Berg, James Vadis, Marianne d'Arnaud, Ellen Mize, Frank Fogg, Mike George, Anastasia Balmaceda, and Mary Peters. Lord, please guide and protect our military personnel serving in harm's way, especially Brandon Fesko and Jake Hovde. Reveal to them your presence and assure them of the inheritance you have prepared for them.*

## **SHARING OF THE FAITH STATEMENTS BY CONFIRMATION STUDENTS**

- Rebecca Muehler Caragan, baptized at Most Precious Blood Catholic Church Chula Vista on April 23, 2011
- Max Langenderfer, baptized at Holy Ghost Lutheran Church in Monroe, MI on February 26, 2012
- Logan James Pavon, baptized at TLC on December 22, 2013
- Eric Thomas Pavon, baptized at TLC on December 22, 2013
- Ariel Rose Romero, baptized at Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Chula Vista on March 18, 2012
- Luca Marshall Silvestro, baptized at TLC on December 1, 2024

## **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM**

P: Dear friends, we rejoice that you now desire to make public profession of your faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of our Christian community and its mission in the world.

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ: In Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you members of his Church. In the community of God's people, you have learned from his Word God's loving purpose for you and all creation. You have been nourished at his holy table and called to be witnesses

to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Now, therefore, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises? If so say "I do".

**Confirmands: I do.**

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

**Confirmands: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**Confirmands: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**Confirmands: 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.**

P: Let us pray for those who are affirming their Baptism, for all the baptized everywhere: That they may be redeemed from all evil and rescued from the way of sin and death. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts to your grace and truth: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: That they may be kept in the faith and communion of your holy Church: Lord in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: That they may be sent into the world in witness to your love: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: That they may be brought to the fulness of your peace and glory: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,  
to hear his Word and share in his supper,  
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,  
to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus,  
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so say "I do, and I ask God to help and guide me."

**Confirmands: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

P: Let us as a congregation pray for these young people.

**C: Gracious Lord, through water and the Spirit You have made these young people Your own. You forgave them all their sins and brought them to newness of life. Continue to strengthen them with Your Holy Spirit, and daily increase in them the gifts of grace.**

***Service of Laying On of Hands and Blessing***

P: Let us rejoice with this sister and brothers in Christ.

**C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

**COLLECTION OF THE OFFERING**

**SONG "Shepherd of My Soul"**

**Chorus**

Shepherd of my soul

I give You full control  
Wherever You may lead  
I will follow  
I have made the choice  
To listen to Your voice  
Wherever You may lead I will go

### **Verse**

Be it in quiet pasture  
Or by a gentle stream  
The Shepherd of my soul is by my side  
Should I face a mighty mountain  
Or a valley dark and deep  
The Shepherd of my soul  
Will be my guide

### **Chorus**

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus.

**C: Amen.**

## **THE BENEDICTION**

P: God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **SONG “Your Love Never Fails”**

### **Verse 1**

You are good You are good  
When there's nothing good in me  
You are love You are love  
On display for all to see  
You are light You are light  
When the darkness closes in  
You are hope You are hope  
You have covered all my sin

## **Verse 2**

You are peace You are peace  
When my fear is crippling  
You are true You are true  
Even in my wandering  
You are joy You are joy  
You're the reason that I sing  
You are life You are life  
In You death has lost its sting

## **Chorus**

(Oh) I'm running to Your arms  
I'm running to Your arms  
The riches of Your love will always be enough  
Nothing compares to Your embrace  
Light of the world forever reign

## **Verse 3**

You are more You are more  
Than my words will ever say  
You are Lord You are Lord  
All creation will proclaim  
You are here You are here  
In Your presence I'm made whole  
You are God You are God  
Of all else I'm letting go

## **Bridge**

My heart will sing no other Name  
Jesus Jesus  
**(REPEAT 4X)**

## **Chorus**

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## **THE DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

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# KIDS'S CHOIR



## WEDNESDAYS AT 4:30PM

- For Kids ages 4-10 years old!
- Performances are the 1st Sunday of the month at 10am.
- Join the fun, make new friends, and learn about music.
- Everyone is welcome!

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