

# Abide in my love

JOHN 15:9



## *Introduction*

This Sunday's image of the life the risen Christ shares with us is the image of friendship. We are called to serve others as Jesus came to serve; but for John's gospel, the image of servanthood is too hierarchical, too distant, to capture the essence of life with Christ. Friendship captures the love, the joy, the deep mutuality of the relationship into which Christ invites us. The Greeks believed that true friends are willing to die for each other. This is the mutual love of Christian community commanded by Christ and enabled by the Spirit.

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*May 5, 2024, 9:00 A.M.*

*All are welcome here*  
*All people of faith, All people of doubt*  
*All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression*  
*All people who seek a compassionate community*

*All are welcome here*  
*Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray*  
*Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks*  
*Welcome to serve God and neighbors*

*All are welcome here*  
*All are redeemed by a gracious God*



## *The Gathering*

### **Prelude Music**

*Jesus Loves Me!* (setting by Robert A Hobby, 2008 Augsburg Fortress)

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* (setting by Kristina Langlois, 2021 Augsburg Fortress)

*Stand and face the font.*

**Call to Worship** (based on Psalm 98, 1 John 5:1-6, John 15:9-17, written by Thom Shuman, posted on his excellent [Lectionary Liturgies](#) blog)

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C** **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**P** We gather to worship the One who crafted creation out of chaos,

**C** **our cries of joy join the anthems of the universe.**

**P** We gather to lift our praise to the God who gives us voice,

**C** **we bring the songs which have echoed in our hearts all week long.**

**P** We gather as the children of God, our joy unbroken in God's love.

**C** **young and old, tone deaf and perfect-pitched,**  
**lift the new, new songs of faith.**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the wellspring of grace,  
our Easter and our joy.

C **Amen.**

P Look, here is water!

C **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

P Immersed in the promises of baptism,  
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.  
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning  
your voice thundered over the deep  
and water became the essence of life.  
Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.  
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.  
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea  
into freedom's land.  
In a desert pool the Ethiopian official  
entered your boundless baptismal life.  
Look, here is water!

C **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

P At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection  
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,  
freeing us to live as Easter people.  
We rejoice with glad hearts,  
giving all honor and praise to you,  
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Look, here is water!

C **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Gathering Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 482: *I Come with Joy*



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are  
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion  
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in  
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in  
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and  
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -  
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.  
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

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**Greeting**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
C **And also with you.**

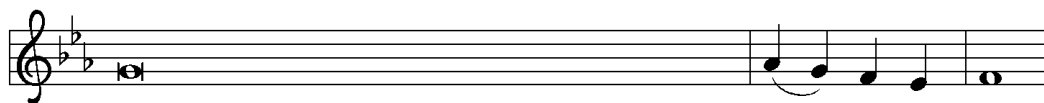
# Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



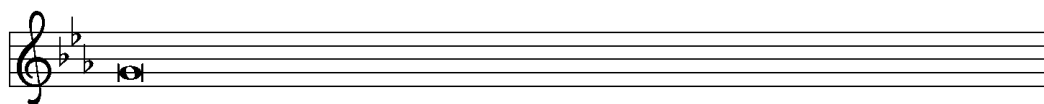
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



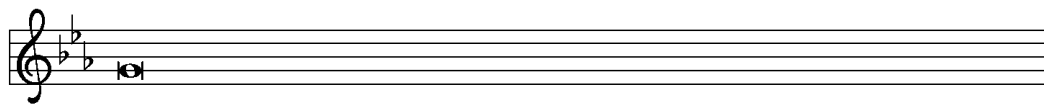
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.




Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

# Hymn of Praise


*Refrain*




This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and




blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:




Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and  
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

*Refrain*




hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

*Refrain*



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Prayer of the Day

- P O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

*Sit*

## *The Word*

- L A reading from the book of Acts.

### Acts 10:44-48

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup>for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup>“Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup>So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

- L The word of the Lord.  
C Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 98 (Read responsively by whole verse)

<sup>1</sup>Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,  
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

<sup>2</sup>**O LORD, you have made known your victory,  
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

<sup>3</sup>You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;  
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

<sup>4</sup>**Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

<sup>5</sup>Sing to the LORD with the harp,  
with the harp and the voice of song.

<sup>6</sup>**With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.**

<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,  
the world and those who dwell therein.

<sup>8</sup>**Let the rivers clap their hands,  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.**

<sup>9</sup>The LORD will judge the world with righteousness  
and the peoples with equity.

L A reading from the book of 1 John.

### 1 John 5:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup>for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

### Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*

Those who love me will keep my word, and my Fa-<sup>1</sup>ther will love them,\* and we will come to them and make our<sup>1</sup> home with them.



P The Holy Gospel according to John, the fifteenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **John 15:9-17**

[Jesus said:] <sup>9</sup>“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup>“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

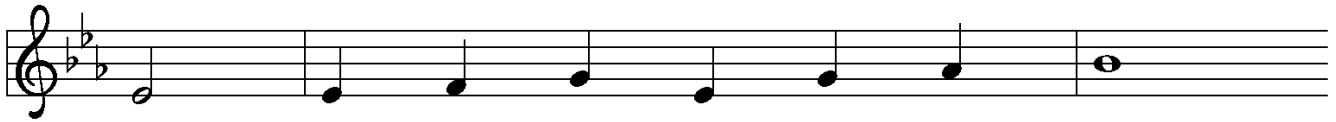
### **Children’s Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Randy Schroeder**

*Stand*

Hymn of the Day, ELW (red), hymn 367: *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds  
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,  
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;  
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has  
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has  
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we  
 and with the heav'n-ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of  
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he  
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -  
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all  
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly  
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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## **P** 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 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.**

## **Prayers**

**A** Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news. (*A brief silence.*) Your Holy Spirit falls upon all who hear the word. Fill your church with the gifts of your Spirit and give understanding hearts to those who strengthen our commitments with our ecumenical and interreligious partners. We lift up synods of the ELCA as they gather in their assemblies, that the Spirit would enliven and guide them. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** You speak and the face of the earth is renewed. Revive your creation, that habitats and every kind of living thing might flourish. Protect endangered species and help us to care for all your creatures. We pray for scientists, activists, and policymakers as they study, build momentum, and craft regulation to slow climate change. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Your world is divided. Grant wisdom and vision to world leaders. We pray for justice and peace among nations where war and violence rage, especially Palestine and Israel, Iran, Myanmar, Iraq, Haiti, Russia and Ukraine, and South Sudan. For a ceasefire in Gaza, for hostages to be freed, and for strength and persistence among all who are engaging in diplomacy. Strengthen international partnerships and cooperation. God of grace,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- A Your children are in need. We pray for fair labor practices and economic justice for all workers. Bring compassion, safety, and productive discourse amidst campus protests. Comfort all those who suffer; the community of Charlotte, North Carolina after the killing of 3 law enforcement officers and the shooting of 5 others, and any afflicted by anxiety, depression, and mental illness. Help us to be conduits of your love in our care for one another. We pray especially Danny D., Zarema, Zera, and their family in Crimea, Zach, Lynn, Lawrence, Nathan and Haley, Jeanette, Sheila, Suzanne, Jean, and Megan. God of grace,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- A Grant your wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons of discernment and transition: college and high school graduates preparing for first jobs or new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers, and those who are navigating changes in their relationships. Accompany them with your peace. God of grace,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- A Your work is done in this place with our hands. Bless the ministries of this congregation that we may embody your love for the world. Inspire those who plan and lead worship, council members, committee members, and volunteers. God of grace,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- A Your blessed saints now rest in you. Give us thankful hearts for those who have gone before us. At the last, bring us all together around your heavenly banquet table. God of grace,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- PK Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
- C **Amen.**

## **Blessing and Sending of Graduates**

### **Peace**

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C **And also with you.**

## *The Meal*

### **As we prepare to receive Holy Communion, please read the following:**

For today's distribution of Holy Communion, after the Invitation to the Table, the presiding pastor will invite the worship assistants (lector, assisting minister, usher) to commune behind the altar. The presiding pastor will then commune those worshipping online and those in the sanctuary who wish to commune in their pews. Then the presiding pastor will commune those who wish to come up to the altar while the Lamb of God is played.

### **Offering**

Please feel free to send your regular tithe in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Your Offering Made Easy" tab, this could be your opportunity. (Ted Heise is available to answer any questions about the Vanco Online giving option. His email address is [theise@panix.com](mailto:theise@panix.com))



*Stand*

## Offering Prayer

A Risen One,  
you call us to believe and bear fruit.  
May the gifts that we offer here  
be signs of your abiding love.  
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,  
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise 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:



P Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting  
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.  
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.  
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.  
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.  
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.  
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.  
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.  
Grace our table with your presence.

**C Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
Breathe new life into us.  
Send us forth,  
burning with justice, peace, and love.

**C Come, Holy Spirit.**

P With your holy ones of all times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.

**C Amen, amen, amen.**

## 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.**

## Invitation to Communion

P The table set by Jesus is open to all, and in resurrection Christ is present in this simple food and festive drink. Jesus welcomes friends and strangers to this feast, where the grace of God's love and goodness meet us wherever we are. Here we are welcomed, affirmed, and celebrated with the gifts of God, for us, the people of God.

## Distribution

*There are gluten-free wafers and grape juice. Please indicate your need to the server.*

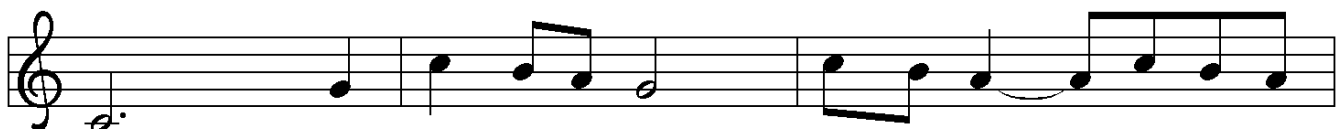
## Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -



way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 595: *Jesus Loves Me!*

1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;  
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;  
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.  
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.  
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

*Refrain*

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,

yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

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*Stand*

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and for ever.

**C** Amen.

**Prayer after Communion**

**A** Shepherding God,  
you have prepared a table before us  
and nourished us with your love.  
Send us forth from this banquet  
to proclaim your goodness  
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,  
our redeemer and friend.

**C** Amen.

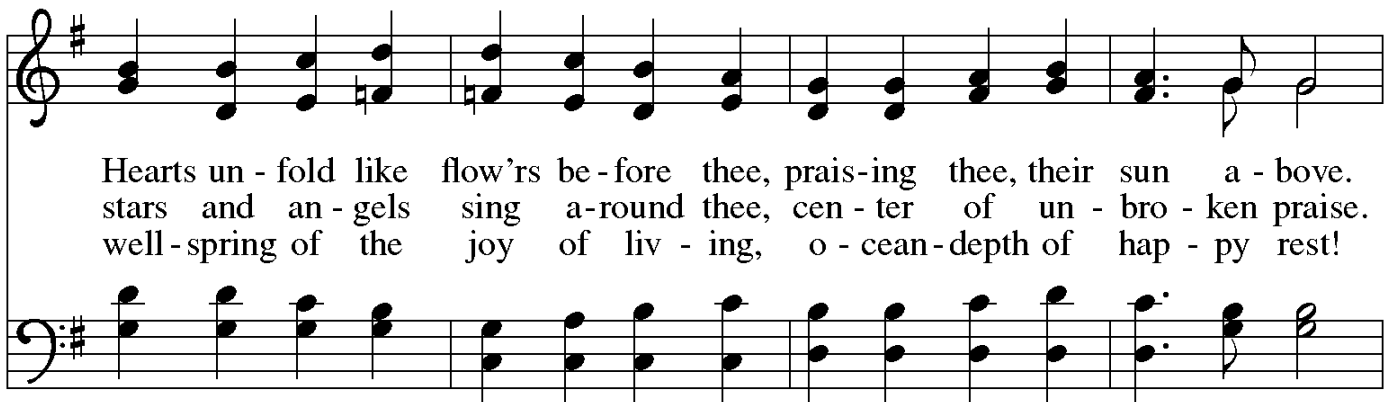
*The Sending*

**An Invitation**

**Sending Hymn: ELW (red), Hymn 836: *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee***



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.  
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922  
 Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

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## Blessing

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
 C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
- P The God of resurrection power,  
 the Christ of unending joy,  
 and the Spirit of Easter hope  
 † bless you now and always.  
 C **Amen.**

## Dismissal

- A Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.  
 C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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**We collect toiletries (travel size) to donate to the homeless shelter.** The basket for your donations is in the narthex. (Look beneath the buffet.)

**Our sanctuary is served by a hearing loop.** Wearers of hearing aids should turn their aids to the setting marked T, or T-coil, or Telephone.

**Kid's Worship Bags and Family Room:** The kids' worship bags have been updated with new items that help children follow along with the worship service, storybook Bibles and fun activities to do. For little ones there are quiet toys, books, and activities in the family in the back of the church for the children to play with during the service. Please feel free to let your children explore.

**Dates OSLC is Closed in 2024:**

May 27: Memorial Day

July 4: Fourth of July

September 2: Labor Day

November 28 and 29: Thanksgiving

December 24 and 25: Christmas

December 31 and January 1 (2025): New Years

**Sunday School**

The last day of Sunday School is May 12th. Missy will be teaching Sunday School on May 5th and 12th.

**Centering Prayer Group**

Join us every Monday morning for Centering Prayer online via zoom from 9:00 – 9:30 am. The zoom link will be sent out on Fridays with the worship zoom link.

**Luncheon Lectio Divina- Praying with Scripture**

Join us every Wednesday at noon via zoom for Lectio Divina. The zoom link will be sent on Fridays with the worship zoom link.

## Adult Forum

May 5th- Graduation Celebration

May 12th- Fellowship and Happy Mother's Day

May 19th- Fellowship and Happy Pentecost

May 26th- Celebration of Michaela Thompson's Affirmation of Baptism

June 2nd- Godly Play Presentation by Carol Grady and Missy Schroeder (last Adult Forum until fall)

We are so grateful for all the fantastic speakers this past year. We will have one last special Adult Forum.

On **June 2nd**, the Faith Formation team will host a fun and experiential Adult Forum on Godly Play. Godly Play is a Sunday School curriculum that grew out of Montessori education. It invites children into the story and creates a space to explore how it relates to their lives. The Faith Formation team has been researching the option for our Sunday School. Carol Grady and Missy Schroeder will host a Godly Play session for the congregation to experience and open the space for questions and reflections. We invite you to come and play with us! This will be our last Adult Forum for the year.

The Adult Forum will begin again in the fall. Until then, if you know someone or an entity who you think would be interested in sharing with us, don't hesitate to get in touch with Mark Hermodson or Missy Schroeder ([missy@osluth.org](mailto:missy@osluth.org))

## Women, Wine (or whatever your preferred beverage) & Feminine Spirituality

You are invited to join us on Sunday, **June 2nd**, from 2:00-4:00 pm at Wildcat Creek Winery for Women, Wine, and Feminine Spirituality. (You do not need to be 21 to go to the winery; they sell soft drinks and wine.) We will discuss the [Book Fierce Women of the Bible and Their Stories of Violence, Mercy, Bravery, Wisdom, Sex, and Salvation by Alice Connor. \(You can click the link to purchase the book from Amazon.\)](#) We will discuss Chapter 3- Ruth: Who Are You Responsible For? You do not need to read the previous chapters to be able to participate. We will be discussing Space is limited at the winery, please get in touch with Missy at [missy@osluth.org](mailto:missy@osluth.org) or 260-402-4477 to let me know if you plan to attend.

## Aviator's Baseball Game Outing

Join us on **July 21st at 3:00 p.m.** for a fun afternoon of fellowship and baseball. We have reserved seating at Loeb Stadium in section 108. Tickets are \$8.00 a piece. OSLC will provide a \$5.00 food voucher with each ticket purchased. Make checks out to OSLC, and in the memo line, write Aviators Baseball. You can place your checks in the offering plate or give them to Erin in the office. **Because the seats are reserved, an RSVP is required.** Please **RSVP by May 31st** to guarantee a spot with your OSLC family. You can scan the QR code, click this link, [Aviators Baseball Outing](#), or sign up on the sheet outside the office. Please let Missy know if you have any questions at [missy@osluth.org](mailto:missy@osluth.org) or at 260-402-4477.



Scan to RSVP

## **Fun, Food & Games**

You are invited to join us for Fun, Food & Games on Saturday, June 1st from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall at OSLC. Bring your favorite game to play and a snack to share. OSLC will provide pizza and drinks. Please sign up by clicking the [OSLC Fun, Food & Games](#) link or sign up in the Narthex on the sign-up sheet. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Missy at [missy@osluth.org](mailto:missy@osluth.org) or 260-402-4477.



## About Our Nave

Against the north wall is the Tree of Life, designed by the late liturgical designer Charles Pohlmann and constructed in 1996 by then-OSLC member Ted Marshall. The processional cross was given to OSLC in memory of Jennie Dana. Many of our paraments were designed and hand-woven by OSLC member Bea Stromberg. The west wall is lined with seven wood carvings depicting the life of Christ commissioned from the late Nigerian carver Lamidi Fakeye. At the center of the nave stands a marble baptismal font, a gift from members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The prints of paintings on the east wall are by nationally known liturgical artist He Qi. The center piece is given by the Church Council in honor of Sam Rasmy for his long-time service as Financial Secretary of OSLC. The Last Supper, by Guatemalan artist Angelina Quic Ixtamer, was purchased by the 2014 Guatemala Mission Team. The OSLC logo was redesigned in 2022 with elements reflecting the unique architecture of the sanctuary, the 2019 addition of the south stained-glass window, our affiliation with the ELCA, and the eternal presence of our Lord and Saviour.

References to the Tree of Life are found in both the Old and New Testaments. It has both literal and symbolic meaning for Christians: it is the literal tree of life in Genesis, and in Revelation it represents everlasting life granted to those who display fruits of the spirit and of righteousness aligned with God's principles.

### **Our Saviour's Vision, Mission, and Values** (October 4, 2018)

- Vision**                    *God calls us to be a community of discipleship for all,  
making Christ's love real in our daily lives.*
- Mission**                *Grow in faith and Christian calling  
Love and serve God and neighbor  
Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ*
- Values**                    *Centered in liturgical worship  
Outreach to campus and partnership with Purdue Lutheran Ministry  
Education and mentoring for all ages  
Responsible stewardship of resources  
Care, compassion and service in the local and global community*