

Ask, and you will receive

## Sixth Sunday After Easter

May 22, 2022

### BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### Our Mission

“To Know Jesus and to Make Him Known”

### Our Vision

Educate, Equip and Encourage ourselves and our families through worship and study, and engage our community through discipleship, example and Acts of Kindness, using the unique gifts bestowed on each member of our congregation by the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

### Worship Information

**Parents with Young Children:** We encourage families to worship together.

**Worship Bulletin:** Our order of service is printed out in your worship folder.

**Worship Form:** There are 5 “Movements” in our Worship.

- God grants us the gift of forgiveness.
- God speaks to us from His Word.
- God receives our offerings and prayers.
- God offers us His real presence in Holy Communion.
- God blesses us and sends us out.

**Communion:** Please read the Statement of Communion below.

(If you are **gluten intolerant** please speak with Pastor or an elder prior to the worship service so we can accommodate you.)

### STATEMENT OF COMMUNION

#### BECAUSE THE WORD OF GOD TEACHES THAT:

- We are all sinners in need of forgiveness.
- Jesus is our only Savior from sin through His death and resurrection.
- The True Body and Blood of Christ is present in the Sacrament of the Holy Communion

 **Please see Pastor if you have any questions about this or do not believe in the Lord’s Supper in this way. You are welcome to come forward for a blessing if you are not communing.**

- **TO PREPARE:** Please use the Christian Questions with Their Answers from “The Sacrament of the Altar” on page 329 in the front of the Lutheran Service Book. You are not obligated to partake if you feel, for whatever reason, the need to refrain from the Lord’s Supper for a short time.
- **Please see Pastor if there is something going on in your life that needs the attention of Christ in private confession and absolution.**

## **AS WE GATHER**

The disciples thought they knew what Jesus was saying, but it was before Easter, and they could not understand. They would, “in that day,” that is, after Jesus’ victory and the Spirit’s gift of faith. Now we with them know that He has overcome the world, all opposition, and even death itself. John’s vision in Revelation depicts a perfect Jerusalem, clear and beautiful, with the Lamb as its lamp. Anticipating such nearness of God, in this our day we can pray, asking for whatever we need, confident of our Father’s hearing. In the Reading from Acts, Paul has to tell everyone about his Easter joy, and the Lord opens Lydia’s heart. She is baptized and opens her home for Paul and Luke to use to tell others. With the clarity of our Spirit-given Easter joy, we know, pray, and tell!

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“In that day,” Jesus told the disciples in the Upper Room, “whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you.” They could not understand, hearing Him before Easter and Pentecost. But we know now that the day has arrived, thanks to His death and resurrection, when our heavenly Father’s ears are open to our every prayer. In this our day, we can anticipate by faith seeing Him and Jesus, the Lamb, in the perfect Jerusalem, as John writes in the reading from Revelation. Hearing the good news, Lydia, in the Reading from Acts, asked if the disciples deemed her worthy for Baptism. Indeed, with the gift of faith by the Holy Spirit, Christ’s worthiness and her sins had been exchanged on the cross. She provided a home for Paul and Luke, and God had an eternal Jerusalem awaiting her entry. What Easter joy!

## **Witness & Outreach**

John 16:23-33: The world is a hostile place for Christians, but Jesus tells us to have courage because He has overcome the world. Because of our faith, we have peace even in the face of trial. This peace and joy adds power to our witnessing. Today’s peace in the face of trial may be the most encouraging Word someone may ever hear from you or see in you.

## **WELCOME to GUESTS & VISITORS**

[Hymns will be from the Lutheran Service Book (LSB).]

### **☩ PREPARATION ☩**

**HYMN**                    “This Is the Day the Lord Has Made” LSB 903

## **INVOCATION**

**Pastor:**                In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:**                Amen.

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Psalm 118:24; John 16:23, 33

Pastor: This is the day that the LORD has made.

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Pastor: On another day, the one before He gave His life for us, our Lord said, “In that day you will ask nothing of Me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you.” Today, this side of Easter, we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. But we cannot free ourselves from our sinning and our sinful condition. Let us therefore ask our heavenly Father for forgiveness for Jesus’ sake.

Silence for reflection on the Word of God and our sinful condition.

Pastor: Almighty God,

**People: have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Although Jesus foretold about the disciples’ scattering that very night, yet He said, “I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace.” As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Peace be with you.

**People: Amen! And may peace also be with you.**

Pastor: Amen.

## FIRST READING Acts 16:9–15 (Paul and Luke stay with Lydia after her Baptism.)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM Psalm 67 (in LSB “page” 67)

## EPISTLE Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27 (Nothing unclean will ever enter the heavenly Jerusalem.)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

**VERSE** Romans 6:9; John 16:33b

**Pastor:** Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.

**People:** **In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world. Alleluia**

**HOLY GOSPEL** John 16:23–33 (Because of Christ’s victory, we can pray directly to our Father in heaven.)

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read.)

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN** “O Lord, We Praise Thee” LSB 617

## **SERMON**

### **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.**

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Pastor:** “In that day,” Jesus said, we would pray directly to our Father in heaven. This side of Easter and Pentecost, we know that all we ask is based on our Lord’s death and resurrection. Let us therefore take our concerns to our heavenly Father. We pray that the Spirit work faith in the hearts of many people who do not know about our Lord’s overcoming the world through His death and resurrection. Grant that they join us to pray to our Father in heaven, to

hallow His name, and to be instruments of His kingdom and will. Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**People: let all the peoples praise You!**

Pastor: We pray for people who call out to God for daily bread, everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body: those who are sick; in need of adequate food, clothing, or shelter; in conflict with family or neighbors; oppressed unjustly; dealing with calamity by fire or water; going into harm's way for the good of others; and those near and dear to us, [especially . . .]. Grant that they place their hope in Jesus' overcoming the world, realize God's protection and care, and find peace in God's answers to their prayers. Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**People: let all the peoples praise You!**

Pastor: We pray for people who do not know the complete forgiveness for their trespasses that Christ has won for them and those who have strayed away from His protection into false belief and despair. Grant that God surround them with people bringing them His forgiveness in word and deed so that they might overcome the devil, the world, and their own sinful nature to win the victory. Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**People: let all the peoples praise You!**

Pastor: We ask God to answer those prayers we have not put into words, but are still known to Him, our heavenly Father. Hear us, O Lord, for the sake of the death and resurrection of Your Son, in whose name we pray. Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**People: let all the peoples praise You! Amen; yes, yes, it shall be so.**

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

### PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 136

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who has overcome the world and given us grace to approach Your throne, confident that You will hear us. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**SANCTUS Holy, holy, holy LSB 161**  
**Holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,**  
**Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna.**  
**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the**  
**name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** 1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**LORD’S PRAYER** Matthew 6:9–13

**People: 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.**

**PAX DOMINI**

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People:** Amen.

**AGNUS DEI** Lamb of God LSB 198

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, That takest away the sin of the World, have mercy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that Takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the World, grant us thy peace. A-men**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

“Today Your Mercy Calls Us” LSB 915

“What Is This Bread” LSB 629

“O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee” LSB 632

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE** LSB 211

O Lord, now You let Your servant depart in heavenly peace

For I have seen the glory of Your redeeming grace;

A light to lead the Gentiles unto your holy hill, the glory of Your people  
Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father, all glory to the Son, all glory to the Spirit;  
forever three in one For as in the beginning, is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding through all eternity.

**BENEDICTION** Numbers 6:24–26

**Pastor:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**People:** Amen.

**HYMN** “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” LSB 924

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SENDING**

**Pastor:** Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**TITHE & OFFERING – our sacrifice of thanksgiving to the Lord**  
Our “**tithes**” are our first fruits returned to God in proportional, joyful, thankful and faithful response to His grace. “**Offerings**” are special gifts for ministries, memorials and needs over and above the tithe.

*(If you are a guest, we welcome you as a guest, so please do not feel obligated to give an offering unless you feel moved to do so by the Spirit)*

**NEXT WEEK’s READINGS**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Acts 1:12-26

**EPISTLE** Revelation 22:1-6, 12-20

**HOLY GOSPEL** John 17:20-26

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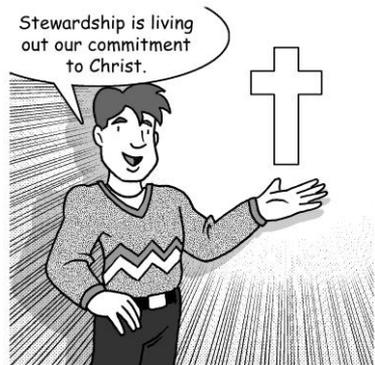
**Life Quotes**

**May 22** “Your ascended Jesus goes with you. When you have doubts and struggles, take them to Jesus. When you’re conflicted and troubled by sin and guilt, take it to Jesus and the cross. Together we lift each other up and grow up in Jesus! You are gifted! You are equipped! Know you are serving Jesus! Now and to eternity.” *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

**Disciples Living as Grace-filled Stewards**

**STEWARDSHIP IS AN ACT OF DISCIPLESHIP. IT IS A RESPONSE TO THE GRACE AND PROMPTING OF GOD.**

“Now to Him Who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us...”(Ephesians 3:20).



### First Reading: Acts 16:9–15

<sup>9</sup>A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

### Epistle: Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed—<sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

<sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

<sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup>and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

### Holy Gospel: John 16:23–33

<sup>23</sup>[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. <sup>24</sup>Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

<sup>25</sup>“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

<sup>29</sup>His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”



**About the Cover:** No matter the situation, believers can always offer prayer confidently. Christ invites us to boldly pray in His name in the sure and certain hope that all prayer in Him is granted according to our Father’s good and gracious will. Our joy, even amid trial, is bound up in Christ’s love shown on the cross, which has opened access to God through prayer.

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