



# ***WELCOME TO***



**GLORIA DEI**  
**LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
GATHERING IN CHRIST † SHARING HIS LOVE

## **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

# **June 1, 2025**

It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.

**We welcome all who worship with us. If you are a guest, we are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Our worship is always enhanced by new faces and voices. If you are already a part of our church family, welcome home.**

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**Prelude:**

**WELCOME AND WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS  
PREPARE FOR WORSHIP**

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

In the name of ☩ the One  
who was, who is, and who is to come.

**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,  
and called to live the baptized life,  
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God,  
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that make a people your own,  
that restore to wholeness,  
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that strengthen believers  
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;

waters that extend your boundless love  
and cross barriers of our own making.

Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that open the hearts of believers  
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;  
waters that set your people on a new path,  
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.

Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,  
that our every day is shaped by these waters  
that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen  
One.

**Amen.**

**ENTRANCE HYMN: ELW 705 "God of Grace and God  
of Glory"**

### **GREETING**

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

**And also with you.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE: ELW pg. 213 "Glory to God"** (*see  
insert*)

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*All respond:*

**Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## WORD

### FIRST READING: ACTS 16:16-34

*Those who had enslaved a girl and used her powers to tell fortunes threw Paul and Silas into jail for ordering the spirit to come out of her and consequently ruining their business. In prison, Paul and Silas bring the good news of the gospel to the jailer and his family.*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 97- ELW 883 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

<sup>1</sup> The LORD reigns; let the | earth rejoice;  
let the multitude of the | isles be glad.

<sup>2</sup> **Clouds and darkness sur- | round the LORD,  
righteousness and justice are the  
foundations | of God's throne.**

<sup>3</sup> Fire goes be- | fore the LORD,  
burning upenemies on | every side.

<sup>4</sup> **Lightnings light | up the world;**

**the earth | sees and trembles.**

<sup>5</sup>The mountains | melt like wax  
before the Lord of | all the earth.

<sup>6</sup>**The heavens declare your righteous- | ness,  
O LORD,  
and all the peoples | see your glory. R**

<sup>7</sup>Confounded be all who worship carved images and  
delight | in false gods!

Bow down before the LORD, | all you gods.

<sup>8</sup>**Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Ju- | dah  
rejoice,**

**because of your judg- | ments, O LORD.**

<sup>9</sup>For you are the LORD, most high over | all the earth;  
you are exalted far a- | bove all gods.

<sup>10</sup>**You who love the | LORD, hate evil!**

**God guards the lives of the saints and rescues  
them from the hand | of the wicked.**

<sup>11</sup>Light dawns | for the righteous,  
and joy for the hon- | est of heart.

<sup>12</sup>**Rejoice in the | LORD, you righteous,  
and give thanks to God's | holy name. R**

**SECOND READING: Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21**

*The ascended Christ, hidden from our sight, promises to come again. We eagerly pray, "Come, Lord Jesus," with all who respond to this invitation.*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW 174 " Celtic Alleluia"**

## **GOSPEL: JOHN 17:20-26**

*Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.*

The holy gospel according to John

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The gospel concludes:*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

*The assembly is seated.*

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 826 "Thine the Amen"**

*The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.*

## **NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;**

**through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin**

**Mary**

**and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius**

**Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again**

**in accordance with the scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven**

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

**He will come again in glory to judge the living**

**and the dead,**

**and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,**

**who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**



## **BRIEF ORDER FOR HEALING**

*The congregation is seated*

### **Introduction:**

**P:** Our Lord Jesus healed many as a sign of the reign of God come near and sent the disciples to continue this work of healing—with prayer, the laying on of hands, and anointing. In the name of Christ, the great healer and reconciler of the world, we now entrust to God all who are in need of healing

### **Prayer:**

Mighty God, your Son Jesus brought healing and wholeness to all. Bring your healing presence now to all who are sick or in pain. Grant hope to all who are discouraged or in despair. In your great mercy, hear us, O God. **Amen**

### **Laying on of Hands:**

**P:** Sisters and brothers, I invite you to come and receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the triune God.

*You are invited to come forward if you wish to do so.*

**P:** in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, be strengthened and filled with God's grace, that you may know the healing power of the Spirit.

### **C AMEN.**

*When all have returned to their seats, the Assisting Minister continues*

### **A: Let us Pray.**

Living God, through the laying on of hands and anointing, grant comfort in suffering to all who are in need of healing. When they are afraid, give them courage; when afflicted, give them patience; when dejected, give them hope; and when alone, assure them of the support of your holy people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**C: AMEN.**

**Blessing:**

**P:** Almighty God, who is a strong tower to all, to whom all things in Heaven and on Earth bow and obey, be now and evermore your sure defense, and help you to know that the name given to us for health and salvation is the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

**PEACE**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.  
The assembly is seated.*

**MEAL**

**OFFERING**

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need*

Deuteronomy 16:17

All shall give as they are able, according to the blessing of the Lord, your God, which he has given you.

**OFFERTORY: ELW 681 "We Plow the Fields and Scatter"**

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*After the table is set, the assisting minister leads in prayer. Please stand at the invitation to pray:*

Risen One,  
you have gathered us around your table of grace  
along with these gifts we bring.  
Come among us again,  
breathe your life into us,  
and enliven us with this meal,  
that we may live as your risen body in the world.  
**Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

### **DIALOGUE**

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.**

### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....  
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **SANCTUS: ELW 525 "You Are Holy"**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

*The presiding minister leads the Eucharistic Prayer  
At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer, all say:*

... with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

... into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

... with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

... we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died.  
Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

... without end. **Amen**

**\*The Lord's Prayer (Spoken)**

*(Those who wish may hold hands as a sign of Christian unity).*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

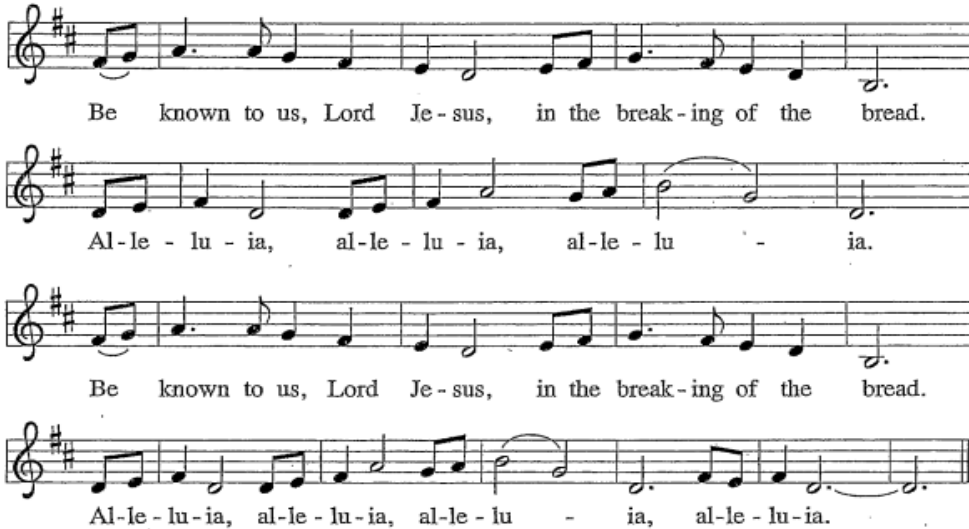
**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace.  
Receive the gift of new life.

## LAMB OF GOD: "Be known to us, Lord Jesus"



## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*All Baptized Christians are welcome to commune. Those who do not wish to commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing (fold your arms over your chest).*

*The Body is available as bread or gluten-free Host.*

*The Blood is available as wine (large chalices) or non.-alcoholic juice (small chalice). Communion will be via "intinction ONLY" dipping the Host into the Chalice.*

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:*

*The body of Christ, given for you.*

*The blood of Christ, shed for you.*

*The appropriate response is:*

*Amen.*

*During the distribution, please pray silently or join in singing.*

**HYMN: ELW 492 "Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup"**  
**WOV 748 " Bind Us Together"** (*see insert*)

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*Please remain seated:*

Living One,  
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.  
Send us now to tell of your wonders,  
sing of your glory,  
and proclaim your risen life  
to a wounded and weary world.

**Amen.**

**SENDING OF COMMUNION**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

The triune God,  
who was, who is, and who is to come,  
Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit,  
light your way with resurrection dawn,  
now and always.

**Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN: ELW 550 "On What has Now Been Sown"**

## **DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!

Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **Postlude:**

***The end of Worship –  
The beginning of Christian Ministry.***

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## ***SERVING TODAY***

<b>Pastor:</b>		Pastor Lynn M. Fonfara
<b>Music Director:</b>		Len Cremisio
<b>Asst. Ministers:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	
Reader:		Loraine Van Haecke
Crucifer:		James Menchaca
Communion Assistant:		Pastor Nancy Vogel
Assisting Minister:		Patricia Bressler
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	Crystal Kirkpatrick, Byron Kirkpatrick Craig Carlson, John Kelly
<b>Altar Care:</b>		Crystal & Byron Kirkpatrick, Craig Carlson
<b>Post Worship Sec.:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	
<b>Counters:</b>		Arlene Kelly
<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	
<b>Fellowship:</b>		

**Communion Wine:** For June is given to the Glory of God

**Altar Flowers:** For June 1st is given to the Glory of God

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