

# May 8, 2022 **Fourth Sunday of Easter**



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"Disciples of Jesus Growing Disciples of Jesus"

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Pastor: Randy Whitehead Reader: Joyce Peterson Organist: Joyce Peterson

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

## Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord

#### Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## Most Merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

### Amen

#### **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.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

# First Reading: Acts 9:36-43

<sup>36</sup>Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup>At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup>Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." <sup>39</sup>So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup>Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup>He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup>Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

## Psalm: Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.



## Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

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

11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor

and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night

within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

## Gospel: John 10:22-30

<sup>22</sup>At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one."

SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGS

CHILDRENS SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY The King of Love My Shepherd Is LBW # 456

# **OFFERING** (Offering will be received during the hymn of the day) You can use the QR code to give online

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Heavenly Father, you have given us riches beyond measure. Bless our offerings and help us to use them wisely in your service and for your glory. Amen.



## **APOSTLES' CREED** (In Unison)

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

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.

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

# THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

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.

### BENEDICTION

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, bless you now and forever. **Amen.** 

### **DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

May 8th - Mother's Day

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour

9:00 am Sunday School - Last Day!

10:00 am Worship at New Life - Sunday School Sings

May 11th - 6:30 pm NLLC Council meeting

May 12th - 10:30 am American Legion Auxiliary meeting

May 14th - 3:00 pm Morgan Lider's Open House Bridal Shower

May 15th - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour

10:00 am Worship at New Life

12:30 pm Lions Club meeting

5:00 pm Grades 6-8 Nerf & Pizza Party

7:00 pm Grades 9-12 Nerf & Pizza Party

# Open house bridal shower for Morgan Lider, bride-to-be of Ben Brenden

Saturday, May 14 from 3-5pm

New Life Lutheran Church

Ben and Morgan are registered at Macy's and Target.

Memorial Day Program

Monday, May 30th at 10:00 am

at New Life Lutheran Church

Free will donation lunch, to following the outdoor Taps, in the fellowship hall.

# **Vacation Bible School**

June 5th thru 9th

June 5<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm & June 6-9<sup>th</sup> 5–7pm

Be sure to sign up your student age 4 year old preschool - 5th grade for VBS so that we can have a head count for food and activities.

We are in need of parent and youth volunteers, if you are available, please sign-up!



# **Senior Recognition Sunday**

May 22nd

Join us for coffee, juice, and muffins at 9:00 am

- Emily Anderson
  - Chase Balken
- Tanner Heier
- Abigail Honer
- Alise Moore
- Benjamin Ouse
- Summer Wigdahl

and worship at 10:00 am as we celebrate the a great accomplishment for these students:

# **Community Baccalaureate Service**

May 22nd at 7:00 pm

We invite the Rothsay community and the Rothsay Public School graduating seniors, along with their friends and family, to a service in their honor.