

May 5, 2024 6th Sunday of Easter



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"Disciples of Jesus Growing Disciples of Jesus"

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CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION [Leader-fine print, Congregation-Bold Print]

- C: Dear God, for the day you have given us, with all its possibilities, we thank you. For your gifts of life and love, of labor and rest, we praise your holy name. Forgive us that too often we are unappreciative while your goodness surrounds us; that we feel alone when there are many who love us; that we despair when your strength is near at hand. Tear down the walls that isolate us, make strong the ties that bind us, and help us to walk together with joy in all your ways; through the grace of Jesus Christ and the power of your Spirit. Amen
- L: The good news is that God forgives us and gives us Christ to be living water and true bread. Let us accept with joy these precious gifts of abundant life. Amen



Built on a Rock (vs. 1, 3, & 5)

LBW # 365



PRAYER OF THE DAY (in unison)

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.

Amen.



First Reading: Acts 10:44-48

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



Psalm: Psalm 98

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

²O LORD, you have made known your victory,

you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

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

 4 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp,

with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,

the world and those who dwell therein.

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

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.



Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

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

⁶This 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.



Gospel: John 15:9-17

[Jesus said:] ⁹"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy

may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I 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. ¹⁶You 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. 17 am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."



SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGS







HYMN OF THE DAY In Christ There Is No East or West

LBW # 359

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



OFFERTORY PRAYER

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. 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



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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.



THE DISTRIBUTION



Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope bless you now and always. **Amen.**



Thine Is the Glory

LBW # 145



Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

May 5th - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour

9:00 am Last Day of Sunday School

10:00 am Worship at New Life & Sunday school sings

May 6th - 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

May 8th - 1:00 pm Kits & quilts

6:30 pm NLLC Council meeting

May 9th - 9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

May 12th - Mother's Day

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour

10:00 am Worship at New Life & Noisy offering

Vacation Bible School will be held

June 9th - 13th

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Registration forms will be available soon.

Confirmation Orientation

May 15th 6:30 pm

We will have a brief introduction to Confirmation for any students that will be entering 7th grade or higher in the 2024-2025 school year and their parents.

Sundae's and floats will be served during orientation.

Membership updates

We are doing our best as a church to improve our methods of communication and making sure our members are well informed. You can help us make this possible by scanning this QR code and by filling out the form for each member of your family!



Senior Recognition Sunday

May 19th

Join us for refreshments at 9:00 am and for worship at 10:00 am as we celebrate the a great accomplishment for these students:

- Cassie Brandt
- Kali Brandt
- Zachary Christ
- Kinsey Heier
- Peyton Kadel
- Elli Meyer
- Gracyn Petersen
- Travis Shirley Jr.

Community Baccalaureate Service

May 22nd at 7:00 pm at the New Life Lutheran Church

The Rothsay community and all Rothsay Public School graduating seniors, along with their friends and family, are invited to a service in their honor.

Congratulations Seniors!

Because of you, life doesn't stop.



ROTHSAY BLOOD DRIVE

TUESDAY, MAY 28 2:00PM - 6:00PM NEW LIFE LUTHERAN-FELLOWSHIP HALL

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