

**THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023 ~ 7:00 PM**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023 ~ 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM**  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**DIVINE SERVICE 1 LSB 151**

*Non-Communion Service*



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## WE WELCOME YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS

For your convenience personal hearing assistance units are available. Large Print Bulletins, Newsletters, and Portals of Prayers are also available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

As you are entering the sanctuary, you are entering the house of God. Prepare yourselves for worship by silently meditating on God's love. Please refrain from loud conversation before the service that would distract those for whom a preparatory meditation is important.

To those who may be visiting us today, your presence here today is a delight to us! With joy we welcome you in the name of Jesus. Please complete the guest card found in the pew pocket and turn it in to an elder or usher.

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**(10:30 AM) PRESERVICE ANTHEM**      *"Jesus is Alive"*      Sunday School

### WELCOME

**HYMN**                      **Up Through Endless Ranks of Angels**                      **LSB 491**  
*(Please rise for last stanza)*

**(10:30 AM) BAPTISM of Luke Jacob Anderson**

### INVOCATION, CONFESSION OF SINS and ABSOLUTION

*(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**KYRIE**

**LSB 152**

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** 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.



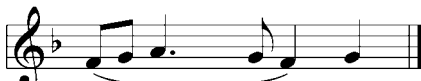
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

# HYMN OF PRAISE: This Is the Feast

*Refrain*

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

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

1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

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

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

## SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

**(10:30 AM) ANTHEM**

*"In His Love"*

*by Mark Patterson*

✠ **SERVICE OF THE WORD** ✠

**PSALM**

*Psalm 68:1–10; antiphon: v. 32*

*(Congregation speaks the lines in **bold** responsively)*

God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered;

**and those who hate him shall flee before him!**

As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away;

**as wax melts before fire,**

**so the wicked shall perish before God!**

But the righteous shall be glad;

they shall exult before God;

**they shall be jubilant with joy!**

Sing to God, sing praises to his name;

**lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts;**

**his name is the LORD; exult before him!**

Father of the fatherless and protector of widows

**is God in his holy habitation.**

God settles the solitary in a home;

he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,

**but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.**

O God, when you went out before your people,

**when you marched through the wilderness,**

the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain,

before God, the One of Sinai,

**before God, the God of Israel.**

Rain in abundance, O God, you shed abroad;  
**you restored your inheritance as it languished;**  
your flock found a dwelling in it;  
**in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

*Acts 1:12–26*

Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate,  
and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office.'

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John

until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

*1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11*

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ’s sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved,  
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

Therefore let those who suffer according to God’s will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. . . .

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will

himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please rise)*

### ALLELUIA and VERSE

*DS4, LSB 205*



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



**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



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

### HOLY GOSPEL

*John 17:1-11*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.



"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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

*(Please be seated)*

**HYMN**      **Hear Us, Father, When We Pray**

**LSB 773**

**SERMON**      **"The Prayer Of Our High Priest"**

*Text: John 17:1-11*

*(Please rise)*

**APOSTLES' CREED** *(omit at 10:30 AM)*

**C** **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.

### PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

*(As our offerings are brought forward, we sing the Offertory)*

#### OFFERTORY

LSB 159



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*(Following each petition, congregation responds "hear our prayer")*

### LORD'S PRAYER

*(Hymnal - Inside back cover)*

### COLLECT FOR PEACE

**P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### BENEDICTION

*LSB 166*

**P** 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.

**C** Amen.

*(Please be seated)*

### HYMN **Christ Sits at God's Right Hand**

**LSB 564, sts. 1–3, 6**

*(Please rise for last stanza)*

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## **SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY**

**Preacher:** Rev. Gregg Stanton

**Organist /Music Director:** Kim Woller

**Organist:** (7:00 PM) Sue Graf

**Choirs:** (10:30 AM) Sunday School  
Adult Choir

**Lay Readers:** (7:00 PM) Andy Adams  
(8:00 AM) Floyd Wondisford  
(10:30 AM) Linda Malone

**Elders:** (7:00 PM) Chuck Boie, Jeff Driessen & Lee Roloff  
(8:00 AM) Jack Welter  
(10:30 AM) Rick Krause

**Ushers:** (7:00 PM) Team 7 – Jeff Driessen Team  
(8:00 AM) Team 5 – Bruce Diener Team  
(10:30 AM) Team 6 – Gary Dwyer Team

**Acolytes:** (8:00 AM)  
(10:30 AM)