

The Sixth Sunday of

EASTER

May 25, 2025



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Come
I will show you
the Bride

Revelation 21:9



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PRELUDE

"In Memoriam"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

LSB 940



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred
4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet
△ 5 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,
bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,
three we name Thee; Though in es - sence on - ly one,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy
In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with
And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to
As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the
Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee And, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.
sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.
bend the knee While we own the mys - ter - y.

MEMORIAL DAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America,
and to the Republic for which it stands.

One nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

INVOCATION

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

People: ♪ **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 67:3; John 16:33*

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, O God!

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

Pastor: Jesus said, "In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." Let the peoples praise You, O God!

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *Hebrews 10:22*

Pastor: Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

People: ♪ **who made heaven and earth.** *Psalm 124:8*

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: ♪ **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.** *Psalm 32:5*

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

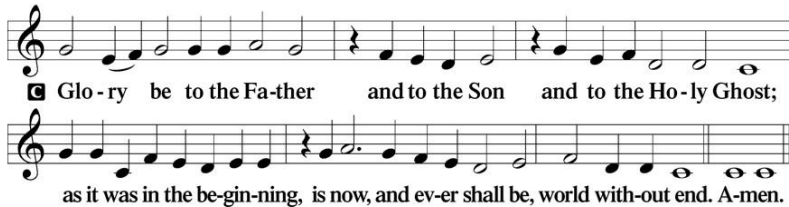
Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord unto us all.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

THE INTROIT *Psalm 55:4, 16–18; antiphon: v. 22*

Pastor/Choir: Cast your burden on the Lord, and He will sustain you; He will never permit the righteous to be moved. My heart is in anguish within me; the terrors of death have fallen upon me. But I call to God, and the Lord will save me. Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan, and He hears my voice. He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage, for many are arrayed against me.

THE GLORIA PATRI



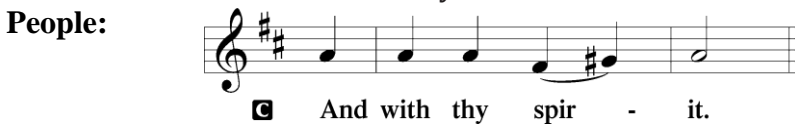
THE KYRIE *Mt 9:27, 15:22*

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People: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE SALUTATION *2 Timothy 4:22*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: O God, the director of all that happens in the course of history, so order the life of the world that the Gospel may be joyfully proclaimed in all places. According to Your plan and in Your time, bring about the proclamation of the message of salvation in Christ alone to all peoples and nations; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: ♪ Amen.

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

FIRST READING

Acts 16:9-15

(Paul's vision and the beginning of the ministry in Macedonia)

⁹ And 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." ¹⁰ 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.

¹¹ So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹² 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. ¹³ 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. ¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ 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.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

(John's heavenly vision of the eternal city of God)

⁹ 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." ¹⁰ 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, ¹¹ having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹² 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— ¹³ on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴ And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb...

²¹ 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, like transparent glass.

²² And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³ 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. ²⁴ By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵ and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶ They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations.

²⁷ 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.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM @9am

“Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones” *arr. Keith Christopher*
The Cathedral Choir

GOSPEL

John 5:1-9

(Jesus heals a man who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years.)

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. John, the fifth chapter.

People:



¹ After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

² Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. ³ In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵ One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. ⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be healed?” ⁷ The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me.” ⁸ Jesus said to him, “Get up, take up your bed, and walk.” ⁹ And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:



THE APOSTLES CREED @9am

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.

**♪ Christ, holy Vine, Christ, living Tree, Be praised for this blest mystery:
That Word and water thus revive And join us to Your Tree of Life.**

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*Baptized in God's House today is **Daxton Jay Petzold***

His parents are Evan and Savannah Petzold

His godparents are Alaina Hecker and Simon Dynkowski

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

LSB 809



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain
Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

SERMON

"Blessed Is the Peacemaker"
Rev. Ronald Guettler, Cathedral Pastor
Historic Trinity Lutheran Church

John 16:33

OFFERTORY Ps 51:10-12

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♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We continue to gather offerings utilizing the offering receptacles (one at the back of the church and one at the Gratiot entrance in the parish hall), through the mail, and online.



VOLUNTARY

"Draw Us to Thee"

J. S. Bach

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

10:30am continues with the Memorial Day Litany

† The Order of Holy Communion † @9am

THE PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

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

People: 

☐ And with thy spir - it.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. Lam 3:41

People: 

☐ We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. Ps 100:4

People: 

☐ It is meet and right so to do.

THE 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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having died and risen to fulfill Your will, sent Paul to distant lands to tell of it, so that people like Lydia and her household and all of us gathered here today would hear, be baptized, and offer their gifts in service to You. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS *Is 6:3*

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♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Co 11:23-25*

THE PAX DOMINI *Jn 20:19*

Pastor: The peace of Lord be with you all.

People: ♪ Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI *Jn 1:29*

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

For those with health concerns, there are gluten free wafers and non-alcoholic white wine available.

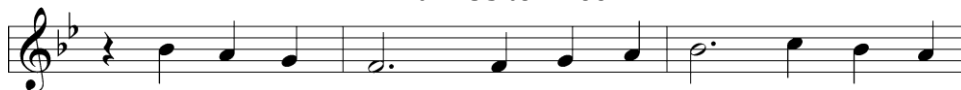
TWO STATION COMMUNION:

If you would like to receive communion at the altar, take the path to the left before the chancel step.

If you would like to receive communion in a continuous line, take the path to the right before the chancel step.

"Draw Us to Thee"

LSB 701



1 Draw us to Thee, For then shall we Walk in Thy
2 Draw us to Thee, Lord, lov - ing - ly; Let us de -
3 Draw us to Thee; O grant that we May walk the
4 Draw us to Thee That al - so we Thy heav'n - ly
5 Draw us to Thee Un - ceas - ing - ly, In - to Thy



steps for - ev - er And has - ten on Where Thou art
part with glad - ness That we may be For - ev - er
road to heav - en! Di - rect our way Lest we should
bliss in - her - it And ev - er dwell Where sin and
king - dom take us; Let us for - e'er Thy glo - ry



gone To be with Thee, dear Sav - ior.
free From sor - row, grief, and sad - ness.
stray And from Thy paths be driv - en.
hell No more can vex our spir - it.
share, Thy saints and joint heirs make us.

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Thank You, Lord God, for this Holy Communion in which You come to us to forgive us, bind us together as Your Body in the world, feed our deepest hunger, and quench our deepest thirst. We give You thanks. Help us, now fed by this life-giving bread and cup, to follow in the footsteps of Lydia, opening our hearts and homes to the life-giving Gospel; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

MEMORIAL DAY LITANY

Pastor: With grateful hearts on this Memorial Day, we thank you, Lord, for the men and women who gave their lives in service of our country. They died honorably, protecting the life and liberty of so many others. Lord, make us

appreciative of the blessings we enjoy as Americans, and of the lives which were given that we might live in peace in this land.

People: **The memory of the righteous is blessed.** *Proverbs 10:7*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus once said, “Greater love has no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends”. May we—seen in the soldier who lays down his life in battle—find a reminder of our Savior who laid down his life at the cross.

People: **Pay to all what is owed to them... respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.** *Romans 13:7*

Pastor: We also thank you this day for our men and women in uniform who so selflessly serve God and country. Be with them deployed overseas, in armed conflict or wherever their duties carry them. Grant them courage in battle, compassion on the wounded, and strength in your grace to endure unto victory. Be with the family of each serviceman or woman who anxiously awaits their return, with the promise that you are with us even unto the end of the world.

People: **Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.** *1 Corinthians 16:13*

Pastor: We pray for all who are in positions of leadership and great responsibility governing over the affairs of our nation. Grant them wisdom from above as they seek to administer justice and mercy rightfully in the sacred halls of government. Grant us your grace as a nation to be a beacon of hope and to establish a just and noble relationship with all other nations in the world.

People: **Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God.** *Romans 13:1*

Pastor: Heavenly Father, how can we ever thank you enough for your enduring grace that sustains our life in trouble, comforts our souls in distress and shelters us from disaster. Through the presence of your Son Jesus, our resurrected Lord and savior, we remain strong, and through your Word we will endure unto the end. In a world filled with conflicts and wars, He alone is our source of true and lasting peace.

People: **The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.** *Psalms 34:18*

Pastor: Hear now our hearts and receive now our thanks, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

People: **Amen.**

WE REMEMBER

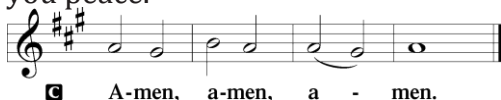
The Playing of Taps

The use of "Taps" is unique to the United States military. Through the Civil War, Taps was played as a signal to extinguish lights. The music for Taps was changed by Major General Daniel Adams Butterfield for his brigade in July, 1862 to honor his men following the Seven Days' battles during the Peninsular Campaign. Taps was first used at a military funeral in 1891 under its original title: "Extinguish the Lights". In 2012 Congress recognized "Taps" as the "National Song of Remembrance."

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The † Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

People:



RECESSIONAL HYMN

"God of Our Fathers"

LW 501



1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y hand
 2 Your love di - vine has led us in the past;
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti - lence
 4 Re - fresh Your peo - ple on their toil - some way;



Leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
 In this free land by You our lot is cast;
 Make Your strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense.
 Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;



Of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies:
 Oh, be our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay;
 Your true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease;
 Fill all our lives with heav'n-born love and grace



Our grate - ful songs be - fore Your throne a - rise.
 Your Word our law, Your paths our cho - sen way.
 Your boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
 Un - til at last we meet be - fore Your face.

POSTLUDE

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Robert Hobby

