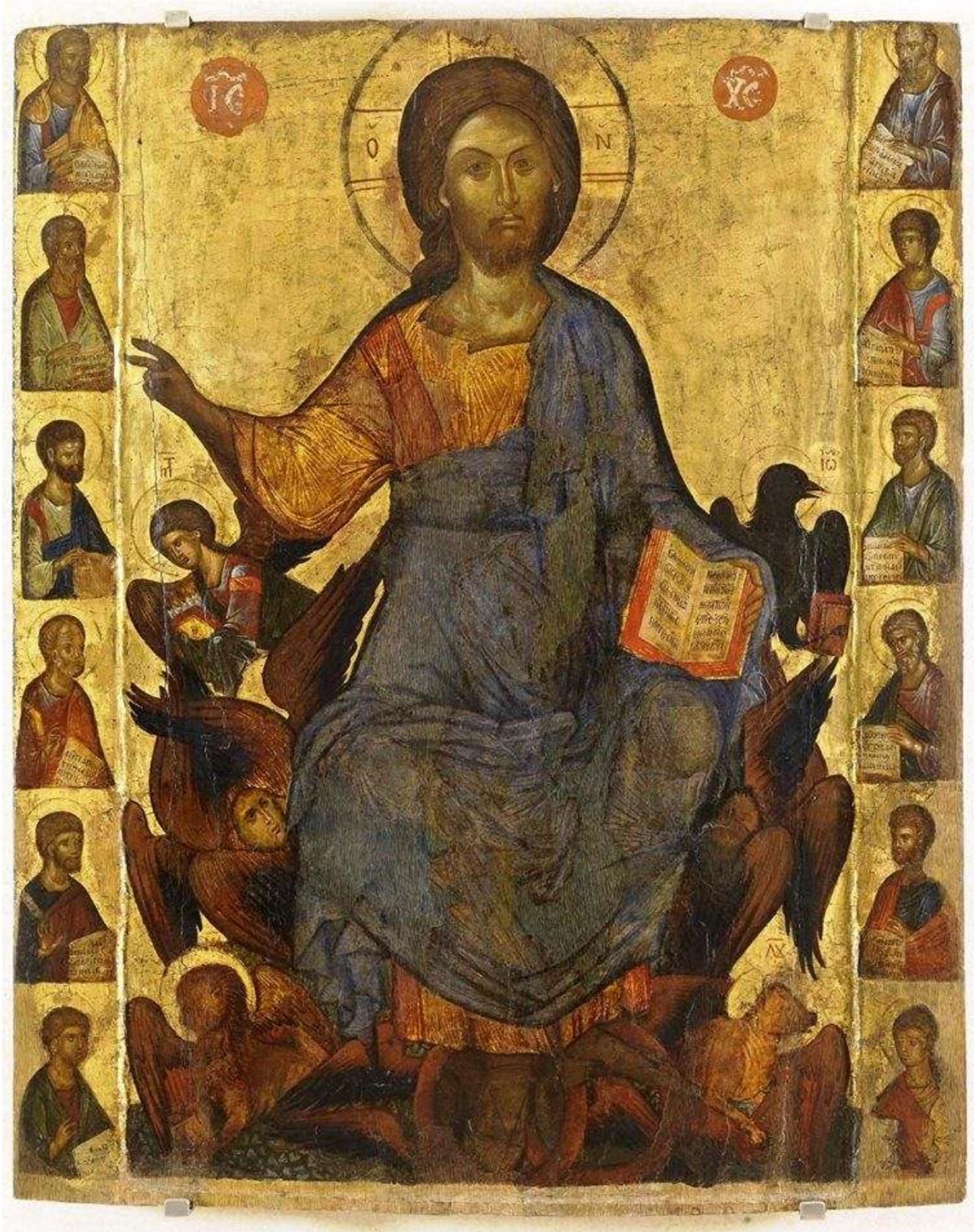


# +The Sixth Sunday of Easter+

| May 9th, 2021 | 8 and 10:15am



**I AM the Vine, You Are the Branches**

*When the bells ring, stand and face the cross.*

**Opening Hymn | All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding**

**LSB 462**

## **Confession 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## **The Service of the Word**

**Introit**

*Psalm 66:1–2, 8–9, 20; antiphon: v. 16*

*Come and hear, all you who | fear God,\*  
and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.*

**Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;\***

**sing the glory of his name; give to him | glorious praise!**

Bless our God, O | peoples;\*

let the sound of his | praise be heard,

**who has kept our soul among the | living\***

**and has not let our | feet slip.**

Blessèd | be God,\*

because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast | love from me!

**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

*Come and hear, all you who | fear God,\*  
and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.*

**Kyrie**

*LSB 186*

**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**Gloria in Excelsis**

*LSB 187*

**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

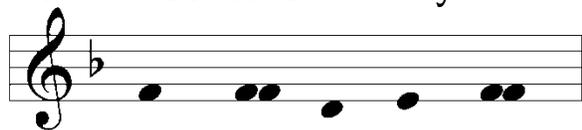
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day



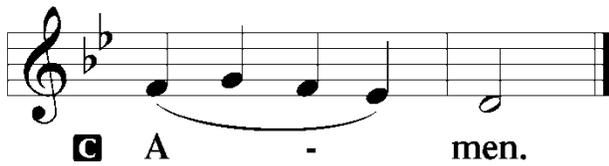
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

## First Reading

*Acts 10:34–48*

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup>For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup>“Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup>And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*1 John 5:1–8*

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. <sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the

truth. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

*Face the cross as it enters the nave.*

**Alleluia and Verse**

*LSB 190*



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

**488 He Is Arisen! Glorious Word**



He is a - ris - en! Glo - rious Word! Now rec - on - ciled



is God, my Lord; The gates of heav'n are o - pen.



My Je - sus did tri - um - phant die, And Sa - tan's ar -



rows bro - ken lie, De - stroyed hell's fierc - est weap - on.



O hear what cheer! Christ vic - to - rious, Ris - ing glo - rious,

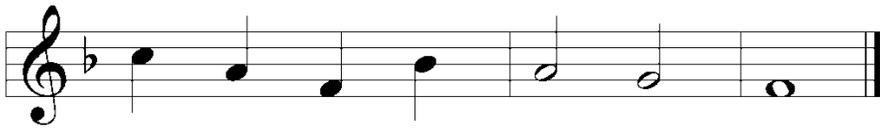


Life is giv - ing. He was dead but now is liv - ing!

**Holy Gospel**

*John 15:9-17*

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

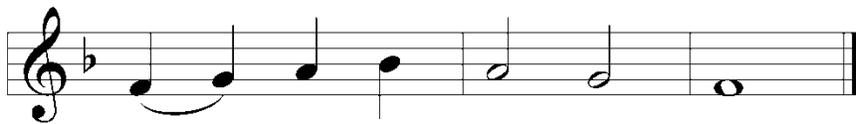


**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus said:] “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

<sup>12</sup>“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup>These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

**Nicene Creed**

back cover of hymnal

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day | Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice**

LSB 556, stanzas 1-5

**Sermon**

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus unto life everlasting!

*Stand*

**Offertory**

LSB 192



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it  
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-  
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

The Prayer of the Church

The Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194



**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir-it.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up un-to the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks un-to the Lord, our God.  
**C** It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus**

*LSB 195*

**☐** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**Lord's Prayer**

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**The Words of Our Lord**

*LSB 197*

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T

blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**Pax Domini**

*LSB 197*



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

**Agnus Dei**

*LSB 198*



**C** 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.

*Sit*

**Distribution**

**Holy Communion at St. Paul.**

Our congregation confesses the Bodily Presence of Christ Jesus in the Sacrament of the Altar. To care for those who are about to receive the Body and Blood of Our Lord, the Altar is open to those who repent of their sins, have been catechized in the faith, and are members of our congregation, another congregation in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, or another Church body with whom we are in fellowship. If you have not

communed in a year or are visiting, please speak with one of the Pastors before communing today. Thank you.

### Communion Distribution

Due to the easing of State and local restrictions, our practice for Communion distribution is changing slightly from our modified practice during Covid. Please note:

+Continuous distribution is still in practice. When a space opens on your side of the Altar rail, come forward and fill that space. Once you have received both the Body and Blood of Christ, you may return to your pew immediately. The deacons will not send more than *three* communicants per side of the Altar rail.

+Kneeling. You are free to kneel or to stand as you receive the Sacrament.

+The common cup is offered to all communicants along with individual cups. The pouring chalice will follow the common cup. If you have an individual cup in your hand, pastor/assistants with the common cup will know to bypass you with the common cup.

+Pastor and assistants will no longer mask, but will sanitize their hands before distribution.

**Distribution Hymn | Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice**

**LSB 556, stanzas 6-10**

**Distribution Hymn | Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**

**LSB 469**

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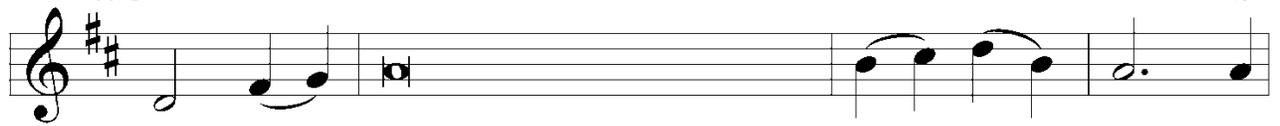
### The Dismissal

P The holy body and precious blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in the one true faith unto life +everlasting! Depart in peace.

C Amen.

### Nunc Dimittis

*LSB 199*



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

### Thanksgiving

*LSB 200*

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

### Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### Salutation

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**Benedicamus**

*LSB 202*



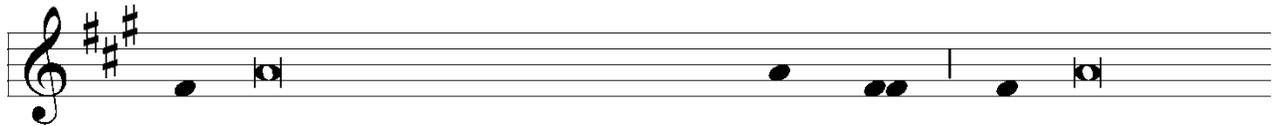
**A** Bless we the Lord.



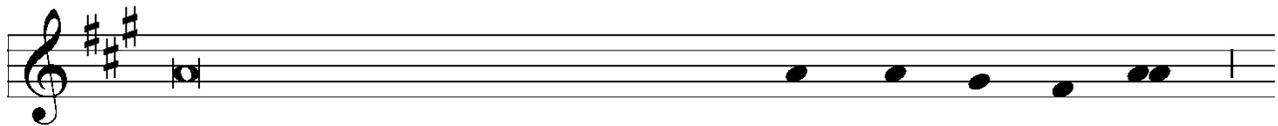
**C** Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**

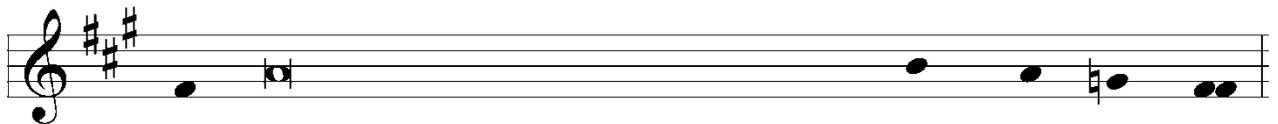
*LSB 202*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**Sung: Amen! Amen! Amen!**

**Hymn to Depart | Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious**

**LSB 548**

**Announcements**

*At St. Paul*

**Mother's Day.** Happy Mother's Day to the ladies of the congregation. **Carnations.** We are offering Carnations for sale today. The cost will be \$2.00 per stem with the proceeds going to the North East Indiana Right to Life. Thank you for supporting the Right to Life.

**Mrs. Albert.** At the end of this year, Mrs. Janine Albert is retiring after a long and faithful career in education. We give thanks to God for the years of service and devotion she has given to our school, Wyneken Memorial. On Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, we will recognize Mrs. Albert with the Rite of Farewell and Godspeed in both services. We are hosting a card shower for Mrs.

Albert and also a time of fellowship with light treats on Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour. **Please leave greeting cards with your well wishes on Pastor Yeager's desk until May 16<sup>th</sup>.** He will see that she receives them on this day. Thank you.

**Our Fieldworkers.** Seminarian Anthony Keilani has received his Vicarage Assignment to Faith Lutheran Church, Green Bay, WI. Seminarian Timothy Schmeisser has received the Divine Call into the Office of the Holy Ministry to serve a tri-parish in the N. Minnesota District: Grace Lutheran Church, Sebeka, MN; Nimrod Lutheran Church, Nimrod, MN; and Zion Lutheran Church, North Germany, MN. The Lord bless and preserve our Vicar-elect and Pastor-elect and their families. We give thanks to God for their service to St. Paul, Preble.—Pr. Yeager

**Gemütlichkeit.** The first-ever St. Paul Gemütlichkeit (*pronounced GE-MOOT-LICK-KITE, n. German: a situation that induces a cheerful mood, peace of mind, with connotation of belonging and social acceptance, coziness, and unhurry*) will take place from 12-3pm on Thursday, May 27, 2021. What, pray tell, is Gemütlichkeit, you ask? It is a fancy word for fun. Covid stinks, and there are members clamoring for fellowship and fun at Church. So, we are going to get together. Pastor Yeager decided to 'baptize' the idea, vague as it is at this point, with a German word to lend the event legitimacy and *gravitas*. But really, it is just a fellowship event. Ask Pr. Yeager for more information and he will simply shrug, turn around, and walk away, not because he is mean, but because he knows as much information as you do at this point. We have no idea what this event might become. Will it meet monthly? Perhaps. Time will tell. Where there is a will, there is a way. Who is invited? Anybody. Everybody. Bring a friend. Bring a deck of cards for a Euchre game. Bring a dish to share. Bust out the secret recipes your mother would give to no one and really 'wow' us. Make the best batch of cookies the world has ever known. Bake something with Preble noodles, showcasing their culinary versatility. Honestly, bring whatever you want. We will start with lunch (or, as many Midwestern individuals call it as is their wont [wrongly, mind you]—'dinner'), and then we will have fun. Maybe Euchre. Maybe conversation. Maybe euchre and conversation. If it is Gemütlichkeit though, it must be toward the purpose of having a cheerful mood, peace of mind, belonging, social acceptance, coziness, and unhurry. This is commanded. Anyone not working toward this common purpose will be kindly asked to depart in peace. So, please join us. Oh, and there are no dues or fees. Also no boards or organizations are officially tied to this event, so, if it fizzles and fails, no one will get in trouble. Thank you.

**The Ladies' Aid** will meet (also LWML meeting) on May 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm.

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee.** The year 2023 will be the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Preble. To give thanks to God for this important milestone in our Church's history, the Voters Assembly has determined that an Anniversary Committee should be created, to be comprised of five members of the congregation who love St. Paul, who would delight in examining the Church's history, and who would rejoice to create events on our Anniversary year to commemorate that history. The invitation is open to all our members with such willingness—you do not have to be a voting member to join this committee. Talk to Pr. Yeager.

**Baby Shower.** Please join us in "showering" Pastor and Heather with gifts as they await the arrival of their daughter in May. A table will be set up in the Fellowship Hall for any gifts you

would like to give them (diapers, wipes, gift cards, etc.) If you have any questions contact Kelly Todd 260.466.7494 or Susie Ehlerding 260.413.2735.

### *Youth*

#### High School Youth Activities

Sunday, May 9 – Mother’s Day – No Youth Event

Sunday, May 16; 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Gathering at Parsonage 1

Sunday, May 23 – Sky Zone – Details TBD

Sunday, May 30 – Memorial Day Eve – No Youth Event

### *Wyneken, Circuit, Synod*

**Wyneken Childcare Positions-** Do you have a love for children? The Wyneken Child Care has some part-time positions open. If interested or desiring more information, please contact Christine Cornett, Director of the Wyneken Child Care program, at 639-6064.

**Custodian Substitutes-** We are seeking an individual willing to substitute for our custodian, evening hours. If interested, contact Mr. Gavrun at 260-639-6177 or [principal@wyneken.org](mailto:principal@wyneken.org).

**SCRIP-** A limited amount of Scrip is available daily in the school office; for large orders, please contact a Scrip representative. At St. John, Bingen-Teegen Brock (260-301-1606); St. Paul, Preble-Jennifer Faurote (260-223-1509); Zion, Friedheim-Cheryl Lengerich (260-701-4326). An order form is available on the Wyneken website, [www.wyneken.org](http://www.wyneken.org) or go to [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com), open Join A Program, and use organization code 7CA2BE4B468.

## Prayer of the Church

- +**Our Mothers** and the blessings of motherhood.
- +**The Sick & Recovering:** Bonnie Gallmeyer.
- +**Expectant Mothers:** Heather Yeager, Kacey Fuelling.
- +**The Homebound:** Edna Mesing, Faye Keuneke (Woodcrest Skilled Nursing); Marge Merriman (Woodcrest Assisted Living); Ken Schueler (home); Bonnie Gallmeyer (home); Anita Spiegel (home); Ted Reinhart (home); Don Haines (home).
- +**Farmers:** for seasonable weather, and an abundance of the fruits of the earth.
- +**The Military & Veterans:** Austin Comer, Taylor Blum, Isabelle Friedt.
- +**Birthdays:** Angie Selking, Josh Fisher, Karl Melcher, Darrel Ehlerding, Colton Gilbert, Marcia Selking, Zach Macke, Grant Melcher, Calvin Faurote, Jordan Melcher, Gerry Gallmeyer.

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### Acolytes

8am Eli Steiner    10:15am Drew Kolter

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### Attendance    5/2

8am 93

10:15am 159

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### Offerings    5/2

Need Weekly: \$7,487.69

Week/Plate: \$13,509.30

Online \$792.03

For the week: +\$6,813.34

For the year: -\$3,358.91

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### Weekly Calendar

- Sunday 5/9**    Divine Services 8 and 10:15am  
Bible Class/Sunday School 9:15am, no youth event due to Mother's Day
- Tuesday 5/11**    Early Bird Bible Study at St. John's, 6am
- Wednesday 5/12**    Choir 7pm
- Sunday 5/16**    Divine Services 8 and 10:15am, Bible Class/Sunday School 9:15am,  
**Rite of Farewell & Godspeed, card shower/refreshments during S.S. hour (no Sunday School/Bible Class) in honor of Mrs. Albert.**

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