# **LUTHERAN CHAPEL**



# PSALM 1 AND JOHN 15:9-17

## "PROMISE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT"

Jesus Christ, who was, who is and who is to come promised the Holy Spirit to all who believe.

# 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EASTER MAY 5, 2024

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### LUTHERAN CHAPEL MAY 5, 2024 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EASTER SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

**BOLD** indicates congregational responses. \* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.

### GATHER

### WELCOME

Who are you? We are children of God (1 John 3:2). What is our mission? The mission of Lutheran Chapel is to share God's love.

PRELUDE

Reflection

Douglas E. Wagner

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

### CALL TO CONFESSION

P: 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.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

### THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

- 1. You shall have no other gods.
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
- 4. Honor your father and mother.
- 5. You shall not murder.
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).

Exodus 20:1-17

1 John 1:8-9

#### THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive 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.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God 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.

C: Amen.



Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt. Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

### **\*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

2 Corinthians 13:13

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

#### C: And also with you.

#### Mark 10:47







#### **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: 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.

#### WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children who want to come forward for the Children's Message are welcome to do so. Let the little children come unto our Lord always!

### STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

### PSALM 1

The Psalms are the prayer and song book that give words to our human condition in both existential sorrow and transcendent hope. Let us meditate on the teachings of the Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; <sup>2</sup>but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night. <sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. <sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. <sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; <sup>6</sup>for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

### STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. <u>The + marks where we are now</u>. A **memory verse is in bold**. A weekly Bible study is available as an in-person study on Sundays at 9am in Sunday School or Thursdays at 11am as well as online at lutheranchapelchurch.org. There are also printed copies in the prayer racks. Claim the gift for yourself!

Creation : Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: + Kings and Prophets : Exile : Restoration : 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple : JESUS : Apostles : Last Day : New Creation

(In Unison)



Text: Psalm 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; David Haas, Marty Haugen Music: David Haas, Marty Haugen © 1983, 1994, GIA Publications, Inc.

1. Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done wondrous deeds; whose right hand has won the vict'ry for us, God's holy arm.

#### Refrain

2. The Lord has made salvation known, and justice revealed to all, remembering kindness and faithfulness to Israel.

#### Refrain

3. All of the ends of earth have seen salvation by our God. Joyfully sing out all you lands, break forth in song.

### Refrain

4. Sing to the Lord with harp and song, with trumpet and with horn. Sing in your joy before the king, the king, our Lord.

### Refrain

### SECOND LESSON

### 1 JOHN 5:1-6

God's children believe that Jesus is the Messiah and love God by keeping God's commandments. Thus the world is conquered not through military might but through love and faith.

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

<sup>6</sup>This 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.

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.** 

#### **\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



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**JOHN 15:9-17** 

John 6:68

*Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.* Response after the announcement:



On the night of his arrest, Jesus delivers a final testimony to his disciples to help them in the days ahead. Here, he repeats the most important of all his commands, that they love one another.

[Jesus said:] <sup>9</sup>"As the Father has loved me, so I have 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>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup>"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I 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. <sup>16</sup>You 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. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



The Gift of the Psalter

The Promise of the Advocate

**The Law** is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: I am not qualified to stand up and speak out. Why do I not trust God in the moment given to stand up and speak out for Him? Why do I fall into the confusion of the world?

**The Gospel** is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: In the power of the risen Jesus who loves us always, we can stand up and speak out and rejoice always.

*So What?* Pray the Psalms given us—the Holy Spirit will use the Word to grow us in surprising ways. The perfection of life will be in friendship with God (Life of Moses, St. Gregory of Nyssa).

\*HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Loves Me!

ELW #595



Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt. Music: JESUS LOVES ME. William B. Bradbury. 1816–1868

#### **\*THE NICENE CREED**

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.** 

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

### **\*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

### THE MEAL

Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

### MUSICAL OFFERING

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Poor Wayfarin' Stranger

**\*OFFERTORY** 

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



1 Timothy 2:1-4

CHAPEL RINGERS

Kristine Johanek

#### **\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

(In Unison)

C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



#### **\*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

### **\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.



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Matthew 6:9-13



### **\*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). Please request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. Taste and see the LORD is good (Psalm 34:8)!

Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard in trashcan.

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.



#### **COMMUNION MUSIC**



Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–1885, alt. Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.



Text: Traditional Music: DONA NOBIS PACEM, traditional

#### SENDING

### **\*THE BLESSING**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.** 



### **\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

AM: Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

### **\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN** 



#### \*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God.

#### POSTLUDE

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**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by Roger and Jeanette Myers in honor of the first birthday of Anna Leigh Myers.

### THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant	Becky Shaw
Director of Music	Kathie Riebe
Choir Accompanist	Jeanette Myers
Assistant Minister	Norman Overcash
Lector	Debra Hoffman
Acolyte	Bryson Lineberger
Crucifer	
Head Ushers	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR	Gene Weaver
Council Members of the Month	Seth Myers & Adrian Thornburg



### PARISH NEWS

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST:** If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

**RESTROOMS:** Restrooms are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

**ESTHER CIRCLE:** Esther Circle will meet in the Fellowship Hall on **Monday, May 6** at **10:00 AM** 

**REBECCA CIRCLE:** Rebecca Circle will meet at the church on **Monday**, **May 6** at 7:00 pm.

**CONGREGATIONAL COOKOUT:** Please plan to attend a cookout on Tuesday, May 14 @ 6:00pm under the picnic shelter sponsored by the Men of the Church. There will be hamburgers, hotdogs, and all the trimmings. If you desire, bring a lawn chair, and come for a good meal, relaxation, and conversation with our church family. Hope to see you there!

**OWLS:** Our next *OWL-standing* time of fellowship will be held at Georgio's (Cramerton, NC) on **Wednesday, May 15 at 11:00.** *Please note the change of day for this month's gathering.* 

**GRADUATION RECOGINITION:** If there are any high school or college graduates that would like to be recognized in the *June Newsletter*, please contact the Church Office by Friday, **May 15.** Thank you!

**CLOTHING GIVEAWAY:** The *Outreach Committee* will be hosting an indoor/outdoor Clothing Giveaway on **Saturday, May 18** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

**WORSHIP AT RANKIN LAKE:** All are invited to join us for the *Rankin Lake Worship Service* on Sunday, **June 2** at **10:00 am**. A catered meal from Grandma Hoyt will be provided. Please bring chairs and anything needed to enjoy time together at the park.

### DAILY PRAYER

A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!: Each morning and evening, pray to the LORD. Sunrise, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1*). A simple order is: **Sign of the Cross + Psalms +Bible in a Year + Canticle + Hymns +Prayers + Blessing**.

### FEAST OF PSALMS: Easter

	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
AM	9, 16	30, 33	66, 93	99, 100	114, 115	118, 124	147, 148
PM	23, 24	47, 49	96, 98	111, 113	116, 117	145, 146	149, 150

### THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 19 May 5 to May 12, 2024

05/05 Morning Reading: Luke 23:1-25—Evening Reading: 1 Kings 19, 20

05/06 Morning Reading: Luke 23:26-56—Evening Reading: 1 Kings 21, 22

05/07 Morning Reading: Luke 24:1-35—Evening Reading: 2 Kings 1, 2, 3

05/08 Morning Reading: Luke 24:36-53—Evening Reading: 2 Kings 4, 5, 6

05/09 Morning Reading: John 1:1-28—Evening Reading: 2 Kings 7, 8, 9

05/10 Morning Reading: John 1:29-51—Evening Reading: 2 Kings 10, 11, 12

05/11 Morning Reading: John 2—Evening Reading: 2 Kings 13, 14

05/12 Morning Reading: John 3:1-18—Evening Reading: 2 Kings 15, 16

Morning: Song of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79) Evening: Song of Mary (Luke 1:46-55)

**Traditional Song:** Thine is the GloryELW #376

Sing a New Song: Lord, I Lift Your Name on High W&P #70

**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Braylon Beam, Steve Bell, Olivia Berghello, Faye Anne Boyette, Shirley Bradley, Buddy Carothers, Miles Carpenter, Charles Edwards, Kathy Finch, Henry Hoffman, Ashton Knauf, Jeanette Myers, Trish Ratchford, Doug Rhyne, Eula Ritchie, Kay Robinson, Pat Robinson, Barbara Robinson, Jessica Thornburg, Joe Veale, and Gene & Myra Weaver

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** Sheila Abernathy, John Austin, Rick Belton, Deborah Carpenter, Jeff Cobb, Doris Coggins, Mary Collins, Carol Coutant, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, Mark Harrelson, Hanna Hayes, Wade Huss, Michael Jemison, Rick Knowles, Bill Lankford, Pastor Terrell Long, Cathy Moore, Karen Moore, Family of Jerry Moore, Paul Nordberg, Rita Pasour, Josie Putnam, Randy Reel, Holt Robinson, Morgan Rosser, Dorothy Slessman, Christy Carpenter Smith, Denise Smith, Marshall Snelgrove, Charlene Sorenson, Becky Van Dyke, and Anthony Wynn.

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439).

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.



### Wednesday, May 8 ~ Evening Prayer Service

Psalm 22 "Forsaken"

### Thursday, May 9 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study

Psalm 1 "The Gift of the Psalter"

#### Sunday, May 12 ~ Service of the Word

Song of Solomon 2:1-7, 6:1-3 and Acts 1:1-11 "Ascension of our Lord 2024"

### CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK SUNDAY, MAY 5 - SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2024

Sun-05	8:30 am	Fellowship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:00 am	<b>Confirmation Class (Youth Room)</b>
	11:05 am	Luther Choir
	11:30 am	Chancel Choir
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
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Mon-06	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	
	7:00 pm	Rebecca Circle (Church)
Tues-07	8:30 am	Preschool (Additional use of Family Life Center)
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
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Wed-08	8:30 am	Preschool (Additional use of Family Life Center)
	5:30 pm	Chapel Ringers
	7:00 pm	Evening Prayer Service (Chapel)
Thur-09	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:30 am	Preschool Luncheon (Family Life Center, Kitchen)
	11:00 am	Bible Study (Library)
Fri-10	N/A	
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Sat-11	9:30 am	Hungry Peeps Support Group (Fellowship Hall)
	12:00 pm	Private Event (Family Life Center)