

# ***LUTHERAN CHAPEL***



**JOB 19:1-27 AND JOHN 21:1-19**

*"Do You Love Me? The Resurrection Appearance by the Sea of Tiberias"*

**HOLY COMMUNION  
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 4, 2025**

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**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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

**GATHER**

**WELCOME AND PRELUDE**

*“Trio”*

J. Rheinberger

**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**

*1 John 1:8-9*

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**

*Exodus 20:1-17*

- 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).**

**THE GREAT COMMANDMENT**

*Mark 12:28-31*

**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.**

**\*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.**

**\*THE KYRIE**

*(at the front of the book)* **ELW pg. 147**

**\*THIS IS THE FEAST**

*(at the front of the book)* **ELW pg. 149**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*(In Unison)*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**C: Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**WORD**

**MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

*All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.*

**STORY OF SALVATION LESSON**

**JOB 19:1-27**

<sup>1</sup>Then Job answered:

<sup>2</sup>"How long will you torment me,  
and break me in pieces with words?

<sup>3</sup>These ten times you have cast reproach upon me;  
are you not ashamed to wrong me?

<sup>4</sup>And even if it is true that I have erred,  
my error remains with me.

<sup>5</sup>If indeed you magnify yourselves against me,  
and make my humiliation an argument against me,

<sup>6</sup>know then that God has put me in the wrong,  
and closed his net around me.

<sup>7</sup>Even when I cry out, 'Violence!' I am not answered;  
I call aloud, but there is no justice.

<sup>8</sup>He has walled up my way so that I cannot pass,  
and he has set darkness upon my paths.

<sup>9</sup>He has stripped my glory from me,  
and taken the crown from my head.

<sup>10</sup>He breaks me down on every side, and I am gone,  
he has uprooted my hope like a tree.

<sup>11</sup>He has kindled his wrath against me,  
and counts me as his adversary.

<sup>12</sup>His troops come on together;  
they have thrown up siegeworks against me,  
and encamp around my tent.

<sup>13</sup>"He has put my family far from me,  
and my acquaintances are wholly estranged from me.

<sup>14</sup>My relatives and my close friends have failed me;

<sup>15</sup>the guests in my house have forgotten me;  
my serving girls count me as a stranger;

I have become an alien in their eyes.

<sup>16</sup>I call to my servant, but he gives me no answer;  
I must myself plead with him.

<sup>17</sup>My breath is repulsive to my wife;  
I am loathsome to my own family.

<sup>18</sup>Even young children despise me;  
when I rise, they talk against me.

<sup>19</sup>All my intimate friends abhor me,  
and those whom I loved have turned against me.

<sup>20</sup>My bones cling to my skin and to my flesh,  
and I have escaped by the skin of my teeth.

<sup>21</sup>Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends,  
for the hand of God has touched me!

<sup>22</sup>Why do you, like God, pursue me,  
never satisfied with my flesh?

<sup>23</sup>"O that my words were written down!

O that they were inscribed in a book!

<sup>24</sup>O that with an iron pen and with lead  
they were engraved on a rock forever!

<sup>25</sup>**For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;**

<sup>26</sup>**and after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
then in my flesh I shall see God,**

<sup>27</sup>**whom I shall see on my side,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.**

**My heart faints within me!**

L: The Word of the Lord.

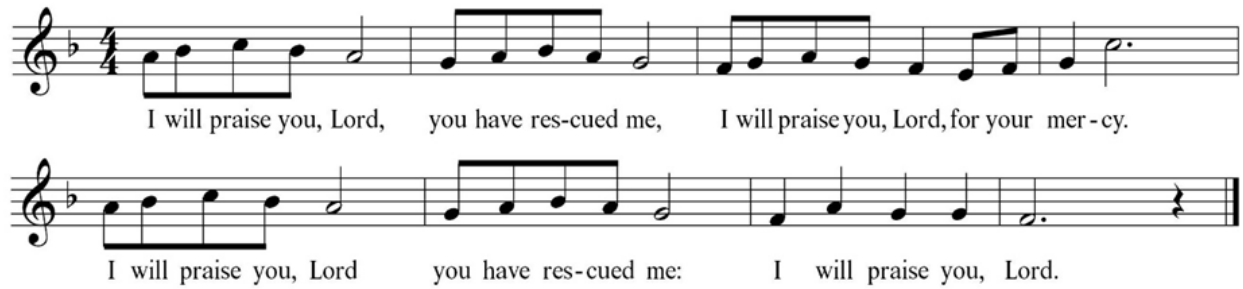
**C: Thanks be to God**

### STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. The memory verse is in bold.

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

## PSALM 30



I will praise you, Lord, you have res-cued me, I will praise you, Lord, for your mer - cy.

I will praise you, Lord you have res-cued me: I will praise you, Lord.

Text: Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-13  
Tune: Paul Inwood  
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1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me  
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.  
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,  
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.

### *Refrain*

2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,  
give thanks to his holy name.  
His anger lasts but a moment; his favor through life.  
At night there are tears but joy come with dawn.

### *Refrain*

3. The Lord listened and had pity.  
The Lord came to my help.  
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;  
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

### *Refrain*

## SECOND LESSON

## REVELATION 5:11-14

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup> singing with full voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might  
and honor and glory and blessing!”

<sup>13</sup> Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

“To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing and honor and glory and might  
forever and ever!”

<sup>14</sup> And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the elders fell down and worshiped.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*John 6:68*

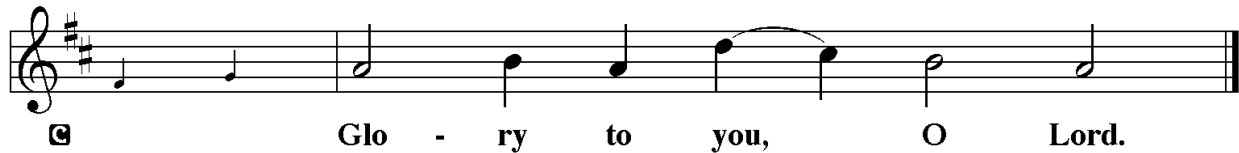
**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**\*GOSPEL**

**JOHN 21:1-19**

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

Response after the announcement:



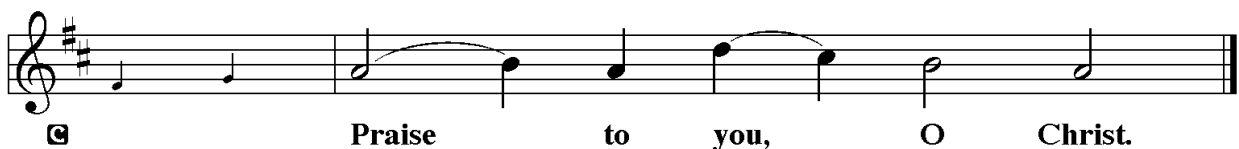
<sup>1</sup>After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup>But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." <sup>19</sup>(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



**MESSAGE**

*“Do You Love Me? The Resurrection Appearance by the Sea of Tiberias”*

Story of Job

Breakfast and Reconciliation with Peter

*The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: Death. Disease. Despair. Defeat. Is Job’s story our human story?*

*The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: Resurrection. Wholeness. Joy. Victory. The risen Jesus reconciles with all believers.*

*So What?: Lament Job-like mess. Can you reconcile with one who has betrayed you? Or is that not possible yet in brokenness? Sing and rejoice in Christ these 50 days of Easter.*

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Christ Is Alive, Let Christians Sing”*

**ELW #389**

**\*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**

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

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, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**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**

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*2 Corinthians 9:7-8*

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

*"Let All Mortal Flesh"*

Arr. by K.M. Dempel

**\*OFFERTORY**

*"Create in Me a Clean Heart"*

*Psalm 51:10-12*

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

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

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

**\*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 GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136*

P. The Lord be with you.

**C. And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

**C. We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**\*PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

*Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**



**\*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**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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.**

**\*LAMB OF GOD**

*John 1:29*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**\*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. (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**

*“I Received the Living God”*

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*“I am the Bread of Life”*

**ELW #485**

**SENDING**

**\*THE BLESSING**

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

**C: Amen.**

**\*SONG OF SIMEON**

*Luke 2:29-32*

**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people:  
A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.  
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.**

**\*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**     *“That Easter Day with Joy was Bright”*

**ELW #384**

**\*DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*“Fuga”*

J. Pachelbel



**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in memory of Bill Anton by Dan Jenkins to the Glory of God.

**THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY**

- Ministers.....People of Lutheran Chapel
- Pastor.....Michael Comer
- Administrative Assistant.....Susan Hibsch
- Director of Music Ministries.....Kathie Riebe
- Choir Accompanist.....Anna Gilreath
- Assistant Minister.....Norman Overcash
- Acolyte.....Luke Hoffman
- Lector.....Beth Swindler
- Crucifer.....Jordan Hoffman
- Head Ushers.....Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
- First Aid/AED/CPR.....Matt Hoffman
- Council Members of the Month.....Don Boyette and Perry Linkous

# Upcoming EVENTS

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** 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 attendants. **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.

**TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE:** This QR code goes straight to the “Easy Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



**LOVE OFFERING FOR MAY:** The love offering for May will be sent to Habitat for Humanity. Please prayerfully consider giving to this ministry so that Habitat can continue to grow and help even more families achieve the opportunity to become homeowners.

**THE CHOSEN:** Join us for the Evening Suffrages on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm. An episode of The Chosen will be watched with discussion and snacks to follow in the Memorial Chapel.

**CLEAN UP DAY:** Please join the property team for the clean up day on **Saturday, May 17** from 9 am-12 pm. Your participation would be greatly appreciated!

**CLOTHING CLOSET GIVEAWAY:** The Outreach Committee’s next clothing giveaway is **Saturday, May 17** from 9:00 am -12:00 pm.

**CHURCH PICNIC:** Save the Date - The Congregation Picnic will be held on **Tuesday, May 20** at 6:00 pm.

**GRADUATION MILESTONE:** We look forward to recognizing our Lutheran Chapel graduates on **Sunday, June 15** at our 10:00 am service. Graduates (or family members), please contact Katherine Sanders ([bakersanders@earthlink.net](mailto:bakersanders@earthlink.net) or 704.616.8779) or the church office by Friday, May 16 for inclusion of your name in the June newsletter. We look forward to celebrating this important milestone on June 15<sup>th</sup>!



“... I wonder if there’s one called ‘chicken’?”



After coming in contact with a religious man I always feel I must wash my hands.

# *Weekly* **CALENDAR**



<b>Sunday, May 4</b>	8:30 am	Fellowship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:30 am	Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Monday, May 5</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	9:00 am	<b>Esther Circle (Eggs Up)</b>
	7:00 pm	<b>Rebecca Circle (Delana Clarks)</b>
<b>Tuesday, May 6</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
	5:30 pm	Chapel Ringers (Sanctuary)
<b>Wednesday, May 7</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	7:00 pm	Evening Suffrages (Chapel)
<b>Thursday, May 8</b>	8:30 am	Preschool
	11:00 am	Bible Study (Library)
<b>Friday, May 9</b>	9:00 am	Men's Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Saturday, May 10</b>	9:30 am	Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)

# Let's **PRAY**

**DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!:** Sunrise, noon, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1 55:17*). *May God bless you as you turn to Him day by day.*

## **THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 15 May 4 to May 10, 2025**

04/03 Morning Reading: Luke 7:31-50—Evening Reading: Judges 19, 20, 21  
04/04 Morning Reading: Luke 8:1-25—Evening Reading: Ruth 1, 2, 3, 4  
04/05 Morning Reading: Luke 8:26-56—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 1, 2, 3  
04/06 Morning Reading: Luke 9:1-17—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 4, 5, 6  
04/07 Morning Reading: Luke 9:18-36—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 7, 8, 9  
04/08 Morning Reading: Luke 9:37-62—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 10, 11, 12  
04/09 Morning Reading: Luke 10:1-24—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 13, 14  
04/10 Morning Reading: Luke 10:25-42—Evening Reading: 1 Samuel 15, 16

**This QR** code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.



**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Braylon Beam, Ron Behringer, Steve Bell, Pauline Bradley, Shirley Bradley, Buddy Carothers, Miles Carpenter, Kathy Finch, Baker Hampton, Pastor Peter & Nancy Homovich, Ann Lowe, Trish Ratchford, Doug Rhyne, Kay Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson.

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** John Austin, Kyle Banes, Rick Belton, Kathy Bradley, Gabe Brown, Peggy Button, Deborah Carpenter, Jeff Cobb, Zandra Chavis, Doris Coggins, Tucker Doyne, Larea Falls, the family of Patsy Foster, Jameson Franklin, Al Froneberger, Jerry Green, R. B. Jenkins, Kirk Jordan, Sherry McCart, Bobby Myers, Rita Pasour, Parks Peak, Bill Riddle, Morgan Rosser, Dorothy Slessman, the family of “Spike” Stevens, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Becky Van Dyke, and Jimmy Watlington.

*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)*

## **NEXT WEEK’S LESSONS**

**Wednesday, May 7 ~ Evening Suffrages and the Chosen – Shabbat**

Psalm 65 “*You Visit the Earth*”

**Thursday, May 8 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study**

Job 19:1-27 “*On Suffering*”

**Sunday, May 11 ~ Ante Communion**

Psalm 1 and John 10:22-30 “*The Good Shepherd - Resurrection Promise Now to Forever*”

## RELEVANCE: GIFT OF HOLY BAPTISM

The spiritual exercise of affirmations is to declare who and Whose you are because of the gifts received in Holy Baptism. The broken world and the enemy of our souls wants to tear us down and separate us from God and from one another. Never forget who you are in Christ! Consider the Scriptures and Catechism below.

You are marked with the Cross of Christ  
in the Name of the Father, + the Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19).

Your baptism brings about forgiveness of sins (1 John 1:8-9), redeems from death and the devil (Romans 6:3-5), and gives eternal salvation to all who believe it, as the words and promise of God (Mark 16:16) declares (**Small Catechism**, Luther).

You have the promise of God the Holy Spirit working in you (Titus 3:5-8).

You are a child of God (1 John 3:1).

You belong to the holy Christian Church (Galatians 3:27-29).

Your baptism once, whether a baby or elder, is good forever because it is the gift of God and not your own action (Ephesians 4:4-5).

You have the ultimate mission –  
to do the will of our Father in Heaven here and now (Matthew 6:10).



# O Savior, Precious Savior



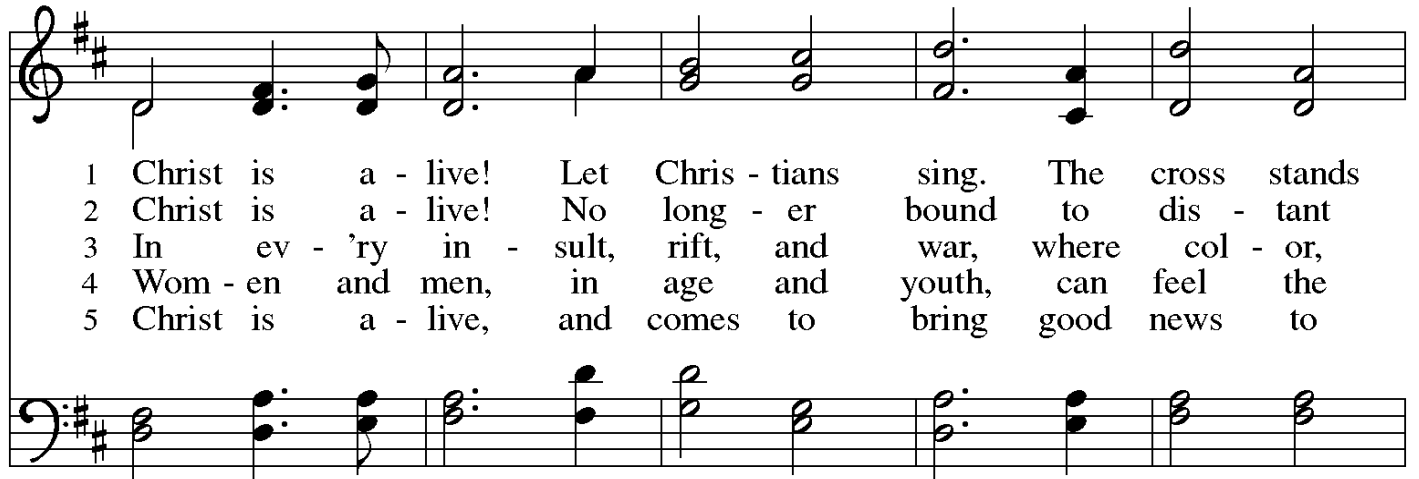
1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, whom yet un - seen we love;  
 2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous - ly hast wrought,  
 3 In thee all full - ness dwell - eth, all grace and pow'r di - vine;  
 4 Oh, grant the con - sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove,

O name of might and fa - vor, all oth - er names a - bove:  
 thy - self the rev - e - la - tion of love be - yond our thought:  
 the glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is thine.  
 in end - less ad - o - ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing love;

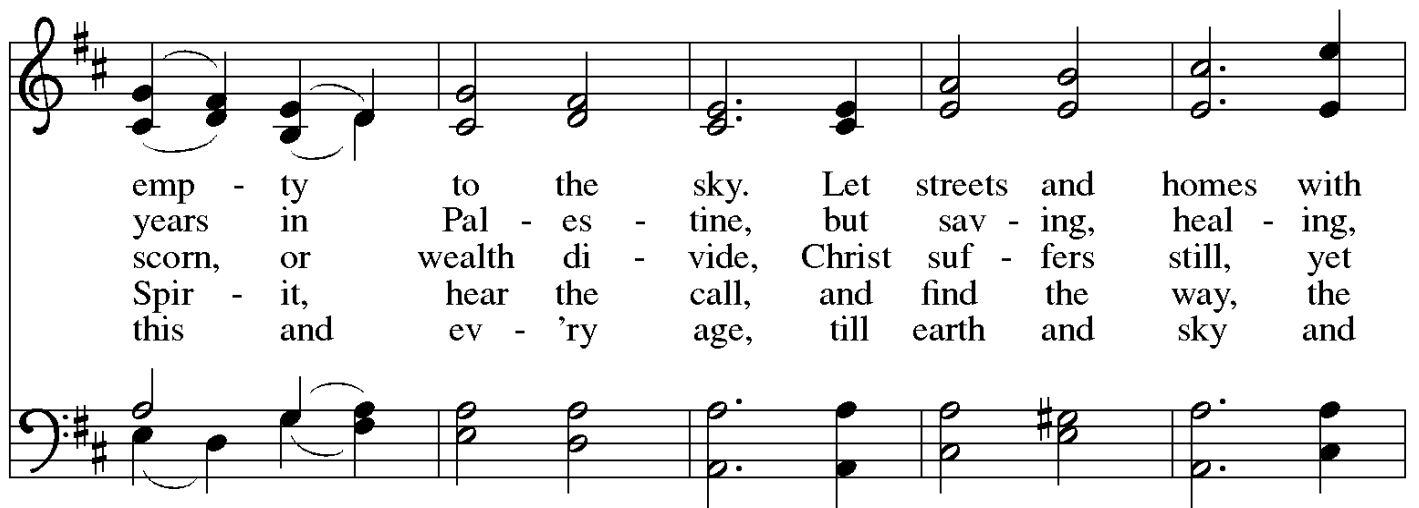
we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 then shall we praise and bless thee where per - fect prais - es ring,

we praise thee and con - fess thee, our ho - ly Lord and King.  
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our gra - cious Lord and King.  
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our glo - rious Lord and King.  
 and ev - er - more con - fess thee, our Sav - ior and our King!

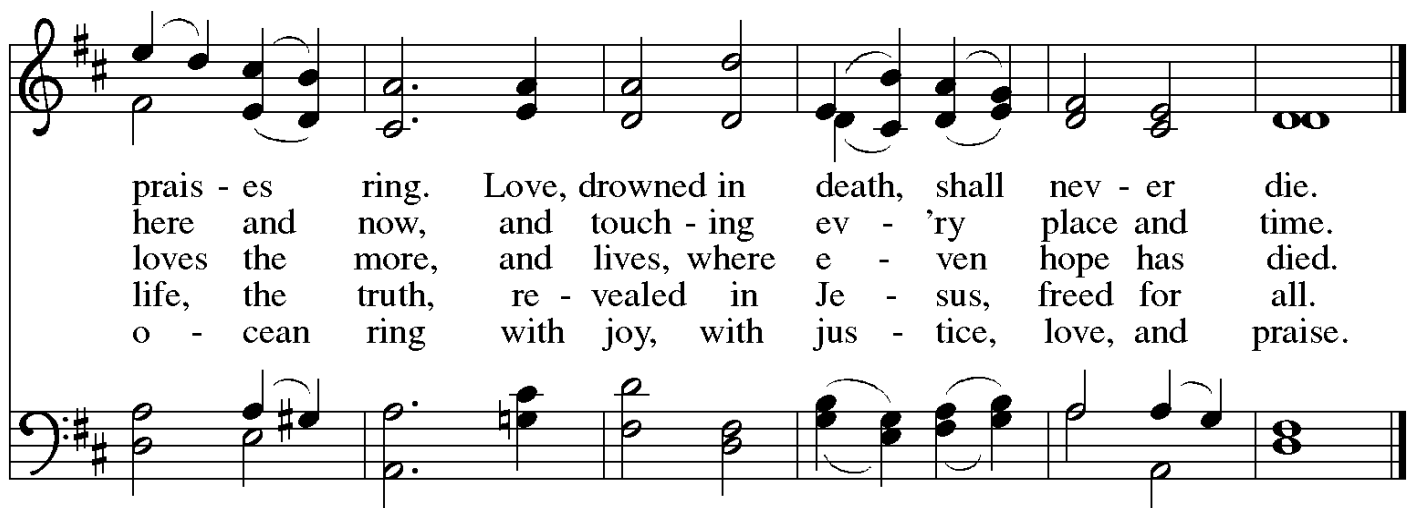
# Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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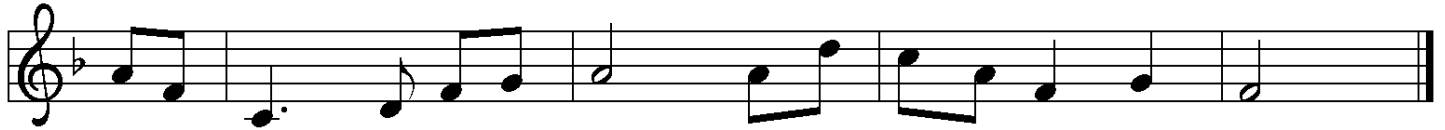


# I Received the Living God

*Refrain*



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



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- 1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
- 2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
- 3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
- 4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,



*Refrain*

you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.  
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.  
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.  
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

Text: Anonymous  
Music: LIVING GOD, Anonymous

# I Am the Bread of Life

Leader or All



1 "I am the Bread of life. You who  
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my  
 3 "Un - less . . . you . . . eat of the  
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion, . . .  
 5 Yes, Lord, . . . I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -  
 flesh for the life of the world, . . . and if you  
 flesh of the Son of Man . . . and . . .  
 I . . . am the life. . . If you be -  
 you . . . are the Christ, . . . the . . .



lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to  
 eat . . . of this bread, and you shall . . live for -  
 drink . . . of his blood, and drink . . . of his  
 lieve . . . in . . . me, e - ven . . though you  
 Son . . . of . . . God, who . . . have . . .



me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."  
 ev - er, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."  
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."  
 die, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."  
 come in - to . . . the . . . world. . .

Refrain

All



"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,



and I will raise you up on the last day."



Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6

Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM

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# That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the  
 2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with  
 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in  
 4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to

sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing  
 con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will  
 this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our  
 you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!  
 ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.  
 strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.  
 e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
 Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621