

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

MAY 14, 2023 • 9AM

Mother's Day • Sixth Sunday of Easter • Bread of Life, Setting 5

INTRODUCTION

Jesus does not abandon his followers. Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation. As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth. We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.

PRELUDE

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus arr. Mark Hayes

CALL TO WORSHIP & CONFESSION FOR THE EASTER SEASON

Pastor: He is risen!

Congregation: He is risen indeed.

L: We are Easter people who have been to the tomb and proclaim it empty.
Let us worship the Living Lord in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. †

C: Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Trusting God, source of life,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We confess our need for new life. We trade abundant living for cheap imitation. We have not practiced Your love, generosity and righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from You. For the sake of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and by His empty tomb, forgive us so that we may be reconciled with You. Amen.

L: God is the God of life. Jesus' death on the cross was for your sin. Trust God, your life is made new and your sins are forgiven.

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

OUR VISION

To be an inspired body of Christ.



OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

GATHERING

GATHERING HYMN hymnal, #392, *stand*

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our



his the throne; al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the
sor - row now; al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -
food, our stay; al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful
lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus
ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our
sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.

GREETING

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

Congregation: And also with you.



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



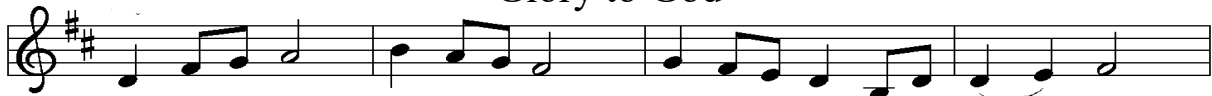
A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on



earth, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

P: Let us pray,

All: Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NEWS

WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Jane Dakolios, Lector

FIRST READING: Acts 17:22-31 *Pew Bible pg. #1012*

In Athens, Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming the gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. He proclaims that the "unknown god" whom they worship is the true Lord of heaven and earth who will judge the world with justice through Jesus, whom God has raised from the dead.

²²Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you.

²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' ²⁹Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals.

³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Lector: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:13-22 *Pew Bible pg. #1107*

The author of 1 Peter encourages Christians to remain faithful even in the face of defamation and persecution. In baptism we are made clean to act in accordance with what is right.

¹³Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 66:8-20 *Pew Bible pg. #517*

Lector: ⁸Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,

Congregation: ⁹who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.

L: ¹⁰For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.

C: ¹¹You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;

L: ¹²you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

C: ¹³I will come into your house with burnt-offerings; I will pay you my vows,

L: ¹⁴those that my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

¹⁵I will offer to you burnt-offerings of fatlings,

C: with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams; I will make an offering of bulls and goats. *Selah*

L: ¹⁶Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for me.

C: ¹⁷I cried aloud to him, and he was extolled with my tongue.

L: ¹⁸If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

C: ¹⁹But truly God has listened; he has given heed to the words of my prayer.

L: ²⁰Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION FOR EASTER SEASON

Halle Halle Halle

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le -
-lu - jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal-le - lu-jah, hal - le - lu - jah. _____

GOSPEL: John 14:15-21 *Pew Bible pg. #985*

In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th chapter.

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ!

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-lu - jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal-le - lu-jah, hal - le - lu - jah. _____

HYMN OF THE DAY hymnal, #629

Abide with Me



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
2 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
3 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?
change and de - cay in all a - round I see;



help of the help - less, oh, a - bide with me.
Through cloud and sun - shine, oh, a - bide with me.
O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.

NICENE CREED FOR EASTER

**All: 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

Assistant: United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church,
the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Assistant: God our faithful companion, you promise to never leave us and to send
your Spirit to guide us in wisdom and truth. Send your people into the world
to serve as mirrors that reflect and magnify your love. Hear us, O God.

Congregation: Your mercy is great.

A: All the earth sings praises to you. Grant your care to the creatures, plants, and
places that are suffering, and equip us to respond to their song. Make us agents
of restoration and refreshment for all your beloved creation. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You call all people of the world your children. Judge the nations justly, show mercy
to all who are oppressed, and speak truth to power through your prophets.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Nurturing Lord, you sent your Spirit to grant us peace. Make your presence
known to those who feel abandoned or alone, and to all who are sick or grieving.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You hold us in your loving care. We pray for mothers and mother figures.
Console all who long to be mothers, children estranged from their mothers,
anyone grieving the death of a mother, and mothers who have lost a child.
Support all for whom this day is difficult. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: Almighty God, you give life and breath to all things. We give thanks for the apostle Matthias and all your saints. Sustain us by your love until we join the saints in glory. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

MEAL

THE PEACE

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

Congregation: And also with you.

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

OFFERING ANTHEM

If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis

OFFERTORY *stand*

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, Lord,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray. Merciful God,

Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up 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 EASTER

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ; who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: 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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

**Congregation: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.
Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**All: 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.**

COMMUNION *When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond **Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE MEAL FROM PASTOR BOB STELTER

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us

1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our
 2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for -
 3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver
 4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re -

king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose
 give, to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that
 all, you said the first must be the last and
 nown; you died for us up - on a cross with

praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to
 we might rise and live. To break the law of
 ser - vice be our call. O Christ, in work - place,
 thorns your on - ly crown. But still, be - yond the

glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you
 death you came, the law of love to bring; a
 church, and home, let none to pow - er cling; for
 span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring, for

walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.
 dif - f'rent rule of righ - teous - ness, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 still, through us, you come to serve, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 now at God's right hand you reign, a dif - f'rent kind of king!

COMMUNION BLESSING *stand*

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,
strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Congregation: **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God,
and lead us forth in joy with shouts
of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray,

Congregation: **Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven,
your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received
the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and
he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life,
Now and forever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION FOR EASTER

Pastor: The angel said, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen." As you celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead, may God grant you the grace to rise up in love and service. Walk in resurrection freedom on your way to life eternal.

Congregation: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SENDING HYMN FOR MOTHER'S DAY hymnal, #813

Faith of Our Mothers



1. Faith of our mo - thers, dar - ing faith, your work for Christ is
2. Faith of our sis - ters, bro - thers too, who still must bear op -
3. Faith born of God, oh, call us yet, bind us with all who



love re - vealed, spread - ing God's word from pole to pole,
pres - sion's might, rais - ing on high, in pri - sons dark,
fol - low you, shar - ing the strug - gle of your cross



mak - ing love known and free - dom real. Faith of our mo - thers
the cross of Christ still burn - ing bright. Faith for to - day, O
un - til the world is made a - new. Faith born of God, O



Ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.
Li - ving faith, we will be true to you till death.
Li - ving faith we will be true to you till death.

DISMISSAL

Assistant: Christ is alive!

Congregation: He is risen, indeed!

A: Go in peace to love God, love others, serve.

C: Amen.

POSTLUDE

Procession Charles Callahan

*Flowers on the altar are given by Carrie & Andrew Parrott
in honor of their 16th Wedding Anniversary.*

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Traditional Worship, 9am ♦ Contemporary Worship, 11:11am

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WELCOME! As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identity are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve. Please sign a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Want to know more about Lutheranism and our ministries?
INQUIRER'S CLASS Today, 10:15am For those considering membership & want to know more about Faith Lutheran Church. See Greg Bohlken or come to the *Community Room*.

Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am

Live or online at [YouTube.com/atFaithLutheran3329/stream](https://www.youtube.com/atFaithLutheran3329/stream)



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES, 10:15am

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL *The Cup*

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL *Classroom by the nursery*

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY, 1:30pm led by John Woods.

HANDBELL PLAYERS REHEARSAL Wednesdays, 5:30pm.

Come join us! Lynn offers piano lessons, too. Contact her at rosiemomflowers@yahoo.com or call 503-819-0118.

COLUMBARIUM NICHES are available to our members for \$1,800 & to non-members at \$2,500. Application forms are located in our **Columbarium Booklet** in the narthex.

NOTICE: Pastor Bob has never and will never ask for support or funds via email, text or Facebook. Please report suspicious items to the office, 865-966-9626.

RACHEL'S DAY DIAPER DONATIONS of size 4,5 and 6 now being accepted in the crib in the narthex during **May**. This **WELCA** event brings awareness to children living in fear of abuse and violence. Your donations help families who visit our **Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry**.

2023 FLOWER CHART Sign up on the chart by the library to honor or commemorate your loved ones with beautiful flowers on our altar.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	
9am Traditional	
Altar Guild	Nancy Dean
Assisting Minister	Amy Canapa
Lector	Jane Dakolios
Communion Ministers	Debby Palatinus, Laura Beardsley Allison Pressley, Virginia McKinney
Greeter	Kari Kinney
Ushers	Michael Lee, Randy Stewart
Offering Stewards	Debbie Ragucci, Ken Savitz

SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open Monday, May 15, 3-6pm

Items needed: Jelly (in plastic) • Syrup (in plastic)
 Boxed Meals (Hamburger Helper) • Boxed Potatoes
 Dish Soap (Dawn)

Contact: **Reneé Stone, 865-599-7424**

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

AFFIRM YOUTH GATHERING Registration is open! Let Greg Bohlken know if you'd like to go, then go online to register at www.sesyouth.org/affirm.

CONTACT GREG BOHLKEN, greg@faithloves.org

- **SCHOOL'S OUT COOKOUT Wednesday May 17, 5:30-7:30pm**
Final *Art of Worship* Youth group meeting. Burgers, hot dogs & drinks provided. Bring side or dessert to share.
- **VBS—OPERATION RESTORATION *Mending God's World* Monday-Thursday, June 5-8, 6:30-8pm** for current pre-K thru 5th grade & Adult Bible Study led by Pastor Bob. Dinner is FREE! Register at: www.myvbs.org/FaithKnoxville
- **VISITOR WELCOMING TEAM** Smiling faces needed.
- **ONLINE VIDEO HELPERS NEEDED** Greg teaches you to edit clips to showcase our livestream on Facebook.

UPCOMING SUNDAYS IN MAY

MERCY SHIPS Sunday, May 21, 10:15-11am. Features the mission & ministry of Mercy Ships. Sherilyn & Bob Cook will speak at both services & during fellowship in *The Cup*.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION Sunday, May 21, both services.

PENTECOST SUNDAY, May 28, both services. Wear red to celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit!

FAMILIES WITH TODDLERS SATURDAY PLAYDATES

Hosted by our "Littles" toddler play group.

- **May 20, 10-11am** at Anchor Park.
- **June 10, 10-11am** at McFee Park Splash Pad.

SALVATION ARMY SHELTERS VISIT, Tuesday, May 23, 5pm.
Future Dates: 6.27, 7.25, 8.22, 9.26, 10.24, 11.28, 12.19.

FAITH SERVES KARM Saturday, May 27, noon and on the following dates: 7.22, 9.23, 12.2.2023 and 1.27.2024

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Offerings last Sunday: \$ 29,903

Offerings Year to Date \$ 282,827

Walk by Faith as of April 30 \$ 746,641



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BLESSINGS & LOVE: Our mothers and all mother figures.

LOVE: the marriage of Matt Larsen & Kelly Grosser on Saturday, May 13.

ENCOURAGEMENT FOR STUDENTS, EDUCATORS & ESPECIALLY FOR OUR GRADUATES concluding this school year & pursuing new adventures.

COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH: Leonard Berdal, Tiphinne Shea-Scoba, Randy Large, Jolaina Whitmer, Cody Cannon, Vera Koger, Rev. Robert Case.

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PRAYERS, CONCERN & ASSISTANCE: The people of Ukraine and Sudan; the physically & mentally disabled.

PARTNERSHIPS: Bishop Eaton & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Bronchos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band, Mercy Ships, Iglesia Luterano Augustana de Guatemala & Milagro Women's Education Center, AL-ANON, Narcotics Anonymous.

PEACE: Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Andrew Chovancek, Nathan Goodall, Tyler Hitter, H.M., Anthony Hu, Julianne LeFevre-Kerr, Chase Linell, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.



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WEEK OF MAY 14-21, 2023

Sunday, May 14, 2023 6th Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

9:00am	Traditional Worship Sanctuary
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
10:15am	Inquirers' Class
	Adult Sunday School
	Children's Sunday School
	Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am	Contemporary Worship
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>

Monday, May 15

3-6pm	Food Pantry Open
6:30pm	Property Team meeting

Tuesday, May 16

1:30pm	Bible Study Small Group <i>The Cup</i>
6:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>zoom</i>
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

Wednesday, May 17

10:00am	Anna Esther Circle <i>The Cup</i>
11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>
4:00pm	Staff Meeting
5:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
5:30-7:30	The Art of Worship <i>The Cup</i>
	School's Out Cookout
6:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 18

9:30m	Handy Faithfuls
6:00pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
	Executive Committee meeting
6:30pm	Council meeting
7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous <i>The Cup</i>

Friday, May 19 Newsletter Deadline

7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous Group <i>The Cup</i>
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Saturday, May 20

Matt Larsen & Kelly Grosser Wedding

10-11am	Families with Toddlers Playdate <i>Anchor Park</i>
11:00am	AL-ANON meeting <i>Community Room</i>

Sunday, May 21, 2023 7th Sunday of Easter

Mercy Ships Presentation Graduate Recognition

9:00am	Traditional Worship Sanctuary
10:00am	Fellowship <i>The Cup</i>
10:15am	Adult Sunday School
	Children's Sunday School
	Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am	Contemporary Worship
5:00pm	AL-ANON meeting <i>Zoom</i>

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: Psalm 93; Genesis 9:8-17; Acts 27:39-44. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 5:22-33; 1 Peter 3:8-12.

Wednesday: Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 31:1-13; John 16:16-24.

Thursday, Ascension of Our Lord: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47 or 93; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53.

Friday: Psalm 93; 2 Kings 2:1-12; Ephesians 2:1-7. • **Saturday:** Psalm 93; 2 Kings 2:13-15; John 8:21-30.

7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:6-24; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35. 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11.