# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 15, 2022



# **PRELUDE**

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Cong: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

Cong: We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing. You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; you opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through.

Pastor: In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation. Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear. To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever. **Cong: Amen.** 

# **OPENING HYMN**

Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death......WOV #745

- 1. Awake, O sleeper, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light; So learn his love, its length and breadth, its fullness, depth, and height.
- 2. To us on earth he came to bring from sin and fear release, To give the Spirit's unity, the very bond of peace.
- 3. Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save; With kind and gentle hearts forgive as God in Christ forgave.
- 4. For us Christ lived, for us he died, and conquered in the strife. Awake, arise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

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# **GREETING**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the

Holy Spirit be with you all.

Cong: And also with you.

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

Pastor: Let us pray....

All: O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

# **HOLY SCRIPTURE**

Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

Revelation 21:1-6

**Lessons conclusion response: Thanks be to God.** 

John 13:31-35

Gospel announcement response: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel conclusion response: Praise to you, O Christ.

# **SERMON**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!.....WOV #674

1. Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

#### Refrain:

Jesus is risen and we shall arise. Give God the glory! Alleluia!

2. Walking the way, Christ in the center telling the story to open our eyes; breaking our bread, giving us glory: Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise.

#### Refrain

3. Jesus the vine, we are the branches; life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; heaven to earth, Christ to the people, gift of the future now flowing to me.

#### Refrain

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#### **NICENE CREED**

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**

Pastor: Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

Each petition ends with "God, in your mercy, "

The response is "Hear our prayer"

Pastor: In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your lifegiving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Cong: Amen.

# **OFFERING**

# **OFFERTORY**

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

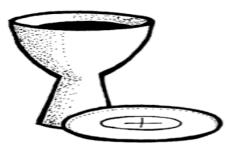
Pastor: Let us Pray....

All: Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# **HOLY COMMUNION**

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

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; 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.

# **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

Cong: Amen.

# **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Pastor: Let us pray...

All: We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. Amen.

# **FINAL BLESSING**

Pastor: God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, + bless us now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

# **GO FORTH IN SONG**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Cong: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

#### **SENDING HYMN**

We Will Glorify......W&P #154

- 1. We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb; We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the Great I Am.
- 2. Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before His throne; We will worship Him in righteousness, we will worship Him alone.
- 3. He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live; He is Lord above the universe, all praise to Him we give.
- 4. Hallelujah to the King of kings, hallelujah to the Lamb; Hallelujah to the Lord of lords, who is the Great I Am.

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please pray for the needs of our brothers and sisters here at Grace and around the world, especially Florence Beckert and Ted Withers.

Today's **Flowers** are given by Donna McMullen in memory of Dorothy Stepovich's Birthday and Dorothy & Milo's Anniversary.

Today's **Bulletins** are given by Bob & Sue Hage in celebration of our 19th Wedding Anniversary.

**Adult Bible Study** meets every Wednesday at 7 PM & Sundays at 9:30 AM in the lounge.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Senior Adult Group** Will meet for lunch this Wednesday, May 18th 12 Noon at the Grand Valley Inn.

\*\*\*Last day of Sunday School is Next Sunday, May 22nd with the End of Year party to follow at Frontier Falls for Mini Gulf and Pizza at 11 AM. See one of the Sunday School teachers for more information.\*\*\*

**Ordination of Tricia Christman** All are invited to join in celebrating Tricia's ordination on Sunday, May 29th at 3:30 PM at Oak Grove Lutheran Church, 432 Harkins Mill Road. Tricia and her husband Nathaneil have accepted a call to serve as co-pastors in Washington State.

Summer Worship Times will begin Sunday, June 5th -8:30 & 10 AM through Labor Day.