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SERVING THIS MORNING

Assisting Minister Leslie Feehrer
Lector Bev Frye
Usher Chloe Wagner
Greeters Teresa Hoffman and Bobbi Leister
Altar Flowers for Next Sunday Erman Lepley
Altar Guild for May Deanna Bickhart and Teresa Hoffman
April Councilperson in Charge Joe Feehrer



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, May 22, 2022

Easter 6
Welcome John & Dixie Kreamer!
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Holy Communion

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022

Newsletter Deadline
9:00 a.m. Church Office Open

TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022

9:00 a.m. Church Office Open

THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2022

9:00 a.m. Church Office Open
9:30 a.m. Newsletter Mailing

SATURDAY, May 28, 2022

8-10 a.m. Pantry & Closet
3:00 p.m. Baptism of Ben Vitale @
Camp Mount Luther

SUNDAY, May 29, 2022

Easter 7
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Holy Communion

MONDAY, MAY 30

Memorial Day — Office Closed



HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Setting Three

Sixth Sunday of Easter



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Sunday, May 22, 2022
10:15 a.m.

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Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3

Page numbers (p.) are located in the front of the worship book, and hymn numbers (#) are in the back half.

*Please stand as you are able.



GATHERING

Prelude

*Opening Dialogue — three times

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✙ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.

Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

PRAYER LIST

Let Us Pray ...

We ask your prayers for all these persons listed below, as well as for all those in need.

♦For families and friends of those who have recently died:

Ben Richard, Robert O. Wagner.

♦For those hospitalized or with other immediate needs:

Dee Hockenberry, Todd Fegley, Leon Bickhart, Tom Dutrow, Brenda Breu, Earl Brosius, Dawn Moyer, Jack Wagner, Kathleen Familetti.

♦For those homebound, in care centers, or being cared for by others:

From our Family of God at Beaver: Paul Lepley, Joan Snook. Also: Nancy (Weisen) Schug, Elton Walter.

♦For those with ongoing needs:

Jackie Alters, Clinton Barnett, Stacy Boyer, Richard Bucher, Phyllis Coleman, Lewis Ettinger, Karen Ferrinjer, Dallas Fisher, Donald Foltz, Patrick Fromm, Will Folk, Galen Goss, Bruce Hassinger, Dee Hockenberry, Patricia Jones, Ben Keiser, Guy Kerstetter John Krause, Justin Krouse, Evelyn Lepley, Lois Martin, Tom Martin, Shirley Pheasant, Kurt Reichenbach, Shirley Rheam, Tom Rigel, Craig Ritter, Martin "Mike" Romig Sr., Logan Roush, Chris Sassaman, Larry Sassaman, Terry Sassaman, Lindsey Shultz, David Ski, Alton (Smoke) Snook, Irene Sweigart, Sam Sweigart, Pat Will, Brian Wray, Crystal Wray, Gary Wray, Madeline Wray, Laurie Zechman, Patricia Zerby, Austin Zimmerman, Chad, Chelynn, Donna, Gary, Jamie, Kathy and baby.

♦For those with cancer:

Dawn Anspach, Marci Barlett, Mike Bobb, Dorothy Boyer, Thomas Burns, Mindy Callendar, Mike Clinger, Nancy Coder, Gabby Deadman, Steve Drake, Jennifer Ebright, Mary Ewing, Todd Fegley, Jerry Fike, Kim Goodling, Jim Griford, James Hackenburg, John Hollenbach Jr., Marcus Josey, Ruth Kantz, Betsy Ann Klingler, Windy Kuntz, Audrey Zerby Lickenwalner, Dave Middleswarth, Ben Moyer, Doug Moyer, Amber Shaw, Richard Shirey Jr., Sandie Snook, Rose Snyder, Rhonda Straw, Nicole Tyson, Galen Wagner, Sherryl Wagner, Deb Wannamaker.

♦For those in the military and recent veterans:

Jaycen Goodling, Christopher Lepley, Jordan Lepley, Terry Romig, Emma Shirey, Jake Thomas, Ty Wagner, Joseph Zerby.

If you would like to add a name or concern to the Prayer List, please do on the sheet in the Prayer Binder. To remove a name from the list, please cross it out above. Any request which has been removed may be renewed by placing the name back on the list. Please Print.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity.

— Paul's instructions to Timothy (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Sermon — This morning's sermon is taken from the first reading, Acts 16:6-15. Inserted in today's bulletin is a map that reference the cities and countries in the Acts reading.

Newsletter — The deadline for the next newsletter is tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Helpers are needed to help prepare the newsletter for mailing on Thursday, May 26 at 9:30 a.m. If you are currently not receiving our newsletter and would like one, or if you have moved recently, please provide Sara with your address.

Air Conditioning — The new air conditioning system for the sanctuary has been installed and is ready to go! *A congregational meeting will be held Sunday, June 12 to officially approve the project.*

Seeking Graduates — We are in search of graduating seniors! If you have a child or grandchild that will be graduating from high school or college this spring, please contact the church office. *Deadline to do so is tomorrow.*

Baptism of Benjamin Andrew Vitale — You are invited to the baptism of Benjamin Vitale, son of Isabel and Jim Vitale! Ben will be baptized at Camp Mount Luther on Saturday, May 28th at 3 p.m. Bishop Collins will preside. If you have questions, please see Pastor Jim.



***Gathering Song**

Come Down, O Love Divine — #804

***Greeting**

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

And also with you.

***Kyrie**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

*Canticle of Praise

Worthy is Christ



ANNOUNCEMENTS



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

Welcome to Worship! We're so glad you're here. We gather to encounter Jesus; to praise God for all that God has done for us; to experience forgiveness and mercy; and to proclaim God's love for all of creation. A few notes for you: restrooms are located on the left in the education wing. Children are *always* welcome in worship — never feel self-conscious of their chirps, cries, and loud whispers. If, however, you feel you need to step out of worship, feel free to take your child to the nursery, which is located a cross from the restrooms in the education wing. Masks are optional and can be found in the narthex. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask!

A Note about Communion — First of all: *everyone* who desires is welcome to partake of the Lord's Supper. Simply come forward and receive God's grace in bread and wine. An usher will invite you forward. We will commune in a single file line. Take a cup from the tray at the front of the sanctuary, receive bread from the pastor, and wine from the assisting minister. After you have eaten and drank, you can return to your pew to sing, pray, or rest.

Altar Flowers – The altar flowers this morning are presented by Lisa and Dave Wagner to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Lisa's mother, Nancy Frye who would have celebrated her birthday on May 28. The altar flowers are a joyful symbol of the resurrection of Christ.

Large Print Bulletin — If you feel you would benefit from a large-print bulletin, please ask one of the greeters for a copy. *After the service, please return the bulletin to the table at the back of the church.*

Welcome! Today we are excited to welcome new members into our congregation! John and Dixie Kreamer come to us from Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Middleburg and have been worshipping with us for many months. Please take a moment to welcome them into our community!

*Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

*Sending Song

My Life Flows On in Endless Song — #763

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace

In the name of God, Father, Son + and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Postlude

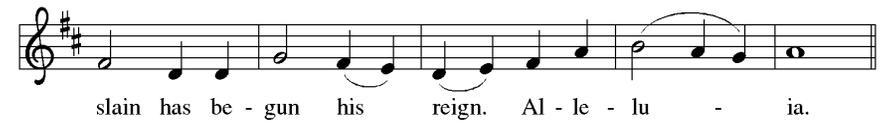
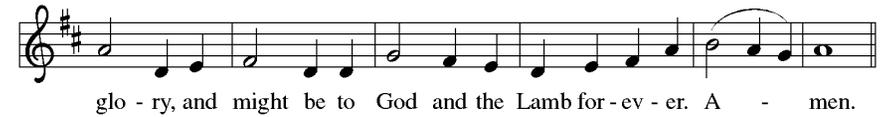
Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God!



*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

Children's Word

First Reading

Acts 16:6-15 (NT p. 141)

Psalm 67

Let the na - tions be glad and sing for joy.

¹May God be merciful to ¹us and bless us;
may the light of God's face ¹shine upon us.

²Let your way be known ¹upon earth,
your saving health a- ¹mong all nations.

³Let the peoples praise ¹you, O God;
let all the ¹peoples praise you.

⁴Let the nations be glad and ¹sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the na- ¹
tions on earth. R

⁵Let the peoples ¹praise you, O God;
let all the ¹peoples praise you.

⁶The earth has brought ¹forth its increase;
God, our own ¹God, has blessed us.

⁷May God ¹give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth ¹stand in awe. R

Second Reading

Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5 (NT p. 282)

*Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Communion

All those who hear our Lord's invitation are welcome to receive the sacrament. An usher will dismiss each pew. Make a line in the center aisle to receive the bread first with an open hand and eat, and then the wine. Individual cups are provided. Please return to your pew by the side aisle.

If you choose not to commune, you may come forward with folded hands to receive a blessing, or you may remain in your pew and pray.

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.

Sung during Communion ...

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song#403

When Peace like a River#785

*Post Communion Blessing

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.
Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.
Amen.

*Gospel

John 14:23-29 (NT p. 113)

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Jim Vitale

*Hymn of the Day

All Glory Be to God on High — #410

Welcoming of New Members

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for John and Dixie Kreamer, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation.

John and Dixie have come to our congregation from Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Middleburg.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

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John and Dixie, sister and brother in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to this community of faith.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.

Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

***Prayers of Intercession**

God, in your mercy,
Response: **hear our prayer.**

***The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

Offertory

Presentation of the Gifts

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 the dreams of all; u -
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, the true Paschal Lamb 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
 san - na. 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.

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

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