TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE 8:00 & 10:30 Bill Dalton Alleluia W.A. Mozart

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN OF INVOCATION

Christ is the World's Redeemer

LSB 539 (Ellacombe)

- 1. Christ is the world's Redeemer, The lover of the pure,
 The font of heav'nly wisdom, Our trust and hope secure,
 The armor of His soldiers, The Lord of earth and sky,
 Our health while we are living, Our life when we shall die.
- Christ has our host surrounded With clouds of martyrs bright,
 Who wave their palms in triumph And fire us for the fight.
 Then Christ the cross ascended To save a world undone
 And, suff'ring for the sinful, Our full redemption won.
- 3. Down through the realm of darkness He strode in victory, And at the hour appointed He rose triumphantly.

 And now to heav'n ascended, He sits upon the throne Whence He had ne'er departed, His Father's and His own.
- 4. Glory to God the Father, The unbegotten One,
 All honor be to Jesus, His sole begotten Son,
 And to the Holy Spirit—The perfect Trinity.
 Let all the worlds give answer: Amen! So let it be.

*INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION

- L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- L: O God our Father, we admit and confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed.
- C: Have mercy on us, and forgive us, O Lord.
- L: We confess that we have not always said in our hearts, "Thy will be done" when we have been faced with decisions in our lives.
- C: Have mercy on us, and forgive us, O Lord.
- L: We confess that Your love has not reached others through us in every situation, and we admit to being thoughtless in our judgments, hasty in condemnation, grudging in forgiveness, and slow to seek reconciliation as we ought.
- C: Have mercy on us, and forgive us, O Lord.
- L: We confess that we have not always been defenders of the weak and helpless—advocates of those not yet born and those in the final stages of life.
- C: Have mercy on us, and forgive us, O Lord.
- L: We confess that we have not used every opportunity given us to witness to the faith that is ours, and too often have let the devil, the world, and our sinful flesh set the agendas for our lives and actions.
- C: Have mercy on us, and forgive us, O Lord.

*THE ABSOLUTION

C: Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*THE KYRIE

C: A Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray.

C: Amen.

THE FIRST READING for the sixth Sunday of Easter is from Acts 16:9-15, page 925: (5:00, 8:00, 10:30)

⁹And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. ¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: I Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND READING is from Revelation 21:9-11, 22-27, page 1041:

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

*ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*THE HOLY GOSPEL - The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifth chapter, verses 1-9, page 890:

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ²Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. ³In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. ⁶When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" ⁷The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me." ⁸Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." ⁹And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee. O Christ.

*THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON HYMN In Holy Conversation LSB 772 (Tune: Ich dank' dir)

- In holy conversation We speak to God in prayer,
 And at His invitation Our deepest thoughts we share.
 We come, His will obeying, As children bringing needs;
 And to support our praying, His Spirit intercedes.
- These holy conversations Begin in childlike ways;
 We bring our supplications And words of thanks and praise.
 With care our Father listens To ev'ry thought expressed,
 Then answers our petitions In ways He knows are best.
- 3. As holy conversation, In silence or by word,
 In ev'ry situation Through Jesus, we are heard.
 So let us pray securely, Expressing hopes and fears
 With confidence that surely Our Father ever hears.

THE SERMON "Cultivating Calmness" (John 16:33)

THE OFFERING - During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering. VOLUNTARY

*THE OFFERTORY LSB page 192

戊 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*LORD'S PRAYER (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

C: Amen.

*THE AGNUS DEI LSB page 198

♂ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

OTHER DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 761, 763, 618

NUNC DIMITTIS - Song of Simeon Luke 2:29-32 LSB page 199

▶ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

- L: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.
- C: And His mercy endureth forever.

L: Let us pray. C: Amen.

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And with Thy Spirit.

L: Bless we the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*THE BENEDICTION

C: Amen, Amen, Amen,

*THE CLOSING HYMN

Before the Lord We Bow

TLH 575

1. Before the Lord we bow, The God who reigns above
And rules the world below, Boundless in pow'r and love.
Our thanks we bring, In joy and praise
Our hearts we raise To heav'n's high King.

*SILENT PRAYER 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30 Bill Dalton Taps POSTLUDE

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Liturgist: 5, 8, & 10:30: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson; 9:20: Sem. A. Mussell Organist: 5 & 9:20: Cathy Boemler; 8 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Jeanette Mattingly/Terry Hutton

NEWS AND NOTES:

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MEMORIAL DAY

MAY 26, 2019

CHRIST'S TRUE BODY AND BLOOD, given and shed in His passion for the forgiveness of sins, are really present in, with, and under the bread and the wine in the Sacrament of the Altar and are given to and received by those who commune. Confirmed church members who are of one faith with us are invited to the Lord's table. Please register by marking the attendance card in the pew rack.

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): The Gospel of Luke

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Gr: Rick Goodman & Mike Renner 7th Gr: Greg Wirtel & Louise Oster

<u>ATHENS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</u> is right around the corner, June 24-28. Please sign your children and grandchildren (ages 3 - 6th grade) up for VBS by June 1 to assure them a theme t-shirt. Registration can be found on our church website: peacelutheranstl.org.

<u>EARLY CHILDHOOD PRESCHOOL TEACHER JOB OPENING AVAILABLE</u> - Call Sue Velten at 314-892-8844 for information.

<u>ATTENTION VETERANS</u> If you are a new member or have not previously given us your service information, please provide it to us. Put your service information (branch of service, dates, rank) in Edie Turner's mailbox (#836) or turn it in to the church office. Thank you for helping to keep our records current.

<u>FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY</u> Thursday evening, June 13, Boy Scout Troop 584 will be holding a retirement ceremony on the parking lot behind the kitchen for all non-serviceable United States flags. Beginning today, a container will be in the upper commons for placement of any of these non-serviceable flags. Questions? Contact Ralph Truemper.

ADULT VOLLEYBALL has concluded for the Spring session. We look forward to having you join us in the fall.

<u>INTERESTED IN BEING A PRAYER PARTNER?</u> Are you interested in being a prayer partner for the High School Youth and adults attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering (Real. Present. God.) in Minneapolis this July? Talk with Christina about how you and your family can be a part of this exciting week.

YOUTH NEWS: Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board to attend Youth Service Projects or the Six Flags event in June.

VBS MEETING for all Youth and Adult Staff will be Sunday, June 2 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

<u>SAVE THE DATE</u> The 5th Annual Green Park Golf Scramble is Sunday, September 15. More information can be found in the June/July newsletter.

<u>COUPLES' CLUB, GATEWAY GRIZZLIES GAME</u> June 15th at 7:00 p.m. \$11 per person. <u>Paid</u> reservations are due May 26th to Tammy Goodman.

<u>GRADUATING</u>? Names of those graduating from college, high school, elementary and other schools needed for future acknowledgement.

<u>LUTHERAN SOUTH SUMMER CAMPS</u> registration is now open for 2019 camps. Visit lhssstl.org for more information and to sign up.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF MAY 26, 2019:

Today: 6:00 Adult Inquiry

Mon: MEMORIAL DAY—OFFICE CLOSED

Tue: 9:00 Quilters

6:00 Men's Club

Wed: 7:00 Wednesday Bible Study
Thu: 6:30 College Girls' Bible Study
Fri: 6:00 Atwood/Johnston Rehearsal
Sat: 11:30 Atwood/Johnston Wedding

5:00 Worship Service w/Comm.

Sun:8/9:20/10:30 Worship Services w/Comm.

11:30 Life Ministry Team