

**Welcome!** As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

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## Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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Opening Hymn

*“Good Christians all, rejoice and sing”*

Hymn #205

### THE WORD OF GOD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The Celebrant may say*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Song of Praise



1 God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
2 Now is Christ raised and will not die a - gain;  
3 In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



there - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -  
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him. Through  
though Ad - am's sin has doomed all flesh to die, in



sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth.  
Christ we die to sin and live to God.  
Christ's new life shall all be made a - live.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Carl P. Daw Jr, based on 1 Cor. 5:7-8, Rom. 6:9-11, 1 Cor. 15:20-22

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughn Williams

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## The Collect

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### First Lesson

*(Acts 10:44-48)*

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 98

*The antiphon is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.*



Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands.

*The verses are sung by a cantor. All sing the antiphon where indicated.*

<sup>1</sup>Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,  
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD, you have made known your victory,  
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

<sup>3</sup>You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;  
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

<sup>4</sup>Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.        ***Antiphon***

<sup>5</sup>Sing to the LORD with the harp,  
with the harp and the voice of song.

<sup>6</sup>With trumpets and the sound of the horn

shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,  
the world and those who dwell therein.

<sup>8</sup>Let the rivers clap their hands,  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,  
who comes to judge the earth.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD will judge the world with righteousness  
and the peoples with equity.     *Antiphon*

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## The Second Lesson

*(1 John 5:1-6)*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

*“O Love of God, how strong and true”*

Hymn #455

## The Gospel

*(John 15:9-17)*

*Deacon*           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

*People*           **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my

Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

*Reader*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*      **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Matthew L. Buterbaugh

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 of the People – Form VI

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For Joseph the President of the United States, Tony the Governor of Wisconsin, Cory the Mayor of Racine, and all those running for office. For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Matthew our Assisting Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in the Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for the staff, volunteers, and guests of the Hospitality Center. We pray for those who are sick [especially\_\_\_\_\_].

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom [especially\_\_\_\_\_].

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**

**in your compassion forgive us our sins,**

**known and unknown,**

**things done and left undone;**

**and so uphold us by your Spirit**

**that we may live and serve you in newness of life,**

**to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with the following sentence of Scripture*

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

Doxology

*Please Stand*

*As the gifts are being brought forward, the people sing:*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here be-  
low; al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! praise God above, ye heav'n-ly  
host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. al-le-lu-ia, al-le-





**Text:** Thomas Ken, 1709; alt.  
**Music:** "Lasst Uns Erfreuen", LM. al: *Geistliche Kerchengesange*, Cologne, 1623.

*Celebrant:* All things come of Thee, O Lord  
*People:* **And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.**

### The Great Thanksgiving

#### Eucharistic Prayer A

*Celebrant* *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds:*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow - er and might, — hea - ven 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. —

Setting: Calvin Hampton (1938-1934)

*The people may kneel or stand*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all . . . Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts . . .

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.



### The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and People:*

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. and for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## Fraction

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is  
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

## Communion

*In the Episcopal Church, all are welcome at the table of the Lord.*

*If you have been baptized in any Christian tradition, you may receive communion. If you have not been baptized, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing or to indicate that you do not want to receive the bread or wine. For a gluten free host, please come to the celebrant and place your thumb in your palm.*

## Communion Hymn

*“O Jesus, crowned with all renown”*

Hymn #292

## Post-communion Prayer

*The people kneel, if able.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

*Celebrant* (Name), we send you out to share Communion this week with (Name).  
*People* **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of  
Christ's presence.**

*Celebrant* May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that  
community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

*All* **Amen.**

The Blessing

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**

Closing Hymn

*“Awake, arise, lift up your voice”*

Hymn #212

Dismissal

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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If you are visiting St. Luke's, we welcome you in the name of the Risen Lord.

If you have any questions or want to know more about St. Luke's Church, please speak with an usher.

## **TODAY'S MINISTERS**

**ACOLYE:** Zar Telfeyan, Evan

**ALTAR GUILD:** Debbie Bruno

**FIRST READER:** Darice Griffin

**SECOND READER:** Marshall Cushman

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** Becky Turk

**PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY:** Judy Panyk

**USHERS:** Becky Turk, Amber Beth, Mike Dillon

**CANTOR:** Jim Cook

**SUPPLY ORGANIST:** Jim Sodke

**COFFEE HOUR:** Birthday Sunday

**NEXT WEEK COFFEE HOUR:** St. Monica's Guild

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

For our Parish

### **For those who are Sick or in Need or Homebound**

Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Chris, Ron, Gerald, Lisa, Jean, Pam, Jack, Neil,  
Olivia, Bill, Katie, Sally, Heather, Leah, George, Esther

**Homebound:** Barbara, Jeanne

### **For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine:**

Congregations of St. Luke's and St. Michael's

Diocese of Milwaukee Hospitality Center

Racine Vocational Ministry

The DeKoven Center

### **For the Church: In the World**

Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

St. Marc's Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti

Cadnet Ednerson and Charline Irossaint

**Thanksgiving for Birthday**  
Brittaney, Olivia, Becky

**Special Offering**

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the following **Hospitality Center**. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

Today's **Altar flowers** are given by Becky Turk to the glory of God and in Thanksgiving of the friends, she has made at St. Luke's Church & the Hospitality Center over the past 13 years.

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