



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 15, 2022

YOUR *beauty* SHOULD
NOT COME FROM
OUTWARD ADORNMENT...

[BUT FROM]

your inner self.

1 PETER 3:3, NIV

Welcome to Worship!

This weekend we in worship continue our celebration of Mother's Day and all the blessings that God gives through mothers. God has given Christians different roles for this life, and because of the joy that Christ's resurrection has brought we want to carry out our roles in love for the good of each other. Being a mother is one of those special roles that God uses to bless us in this life. Today's message looks at the words of St. Peter to Christian women on carrying out their role in life as wives and mothers, with the model of Sarah, Abraham's wife.

Prayer Before Worship

Dear Father in Heaven, thank you for giving all of us life through our own mothers. Preserve mothers everywhere against evils and dangers of this world, spiritual and physical. Give them a heart to hear your word and a spirit to serve their children, their husbands, and all people in their life with joy and love, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

Serving Today

- Minister – Vicar Sam Helwig
- Organist – Bethany Prazuch
- Ushers – Rick & Karen Leopold
(*Next Sunday – Dan & Carrie Stelzer*)

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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Our Worship

449 This Joyful Eastertide

CW 449

- 1 This joyful Eastertide
away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified,
has sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, who once was slain,
not burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain:
but now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;
but now has Christ arisen!

- 2 Death's flood has lost its chill
since Jesus crossed the river.
Lover of souls, from ill
my passing soul deliver.
Had Christ, who once was slain,
not burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain:
but now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;
but now has Christ arisen!

- 3 My flesh in hope shall rest
and for a season slumber
till trump from east to west
shall wake the dead in number.
Had Christ, who once was slain,
not burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain:
but now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;
but now has Christ arisen!

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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 mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



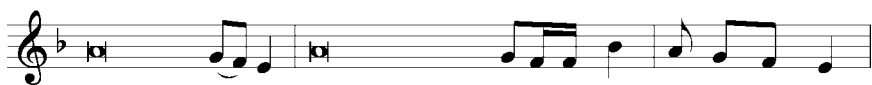
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al-mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



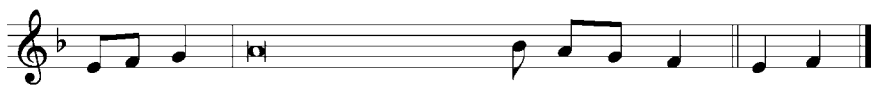
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho-ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we commend to your care all the homes where your people live. Fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, moderation, patience, and godliness. Bind together in enduring affection those who have become one in marriage. Let children and parents have full respect and affection for one another; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Proverbs 31:10–12, 26–31

¹⁰A wife of noble character who can find?

She is worth far more than rubies.

¹¹Her husband has full confidence in her
and lacks nothing of value.

¹²She brings him good, not harm,
all the days of her life.

²⁶She speaks with wisdom,
and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

²⁷She watches over the affairs of her household
and does not eat the bread of idleness.

²⁸Her children arise and call her blessed;
her husband also, and he praises her:

²⁹“Many women do noble things,
but you surpass them all.”

³⁰Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting;
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.

³¹Honor her for all that her hands have done,
and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

139F To You, O LORD, I Lift My Soul

Psalm 139F

Refrain



Tone



You have searched me, LORD, and you / know me;
you perceive my thoughts / from afar.
You discern my going out and my / lying down;
you are familiar with / all my ways. *Refrain*

For you created my inmost / being;
you knit me together in my / mother's womb.
I praise you because I am fearfully and wonder- / fully made;
your works are wonderful, I know that / full well.
My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the / secret
place;
your eyes saw my unformed / body.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1–12

¹Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ²and he began to teach them.

He said:

³“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

⁵Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.

⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

⁷Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Children's Message

893 For All the Faithful Women

CW 893 sts. 1, 3-4

- 1 For all the faithful women
 who served in days of old,
to you shall thanks be given;
 to all, their story told.
They served with strength and gladness
 in tasks your wisdom gave;
to you their lives bore witness,
 proclaimed your pow'r to save.

- 3 O God, for saints and servants,
 those named and those unknown
in whom through all the ages
 your light of glory shone,
we offer glad thanksgiving
 and fervent prayer we raise
that, faithful in your service,
 our lives may sing your praise.

- 4 All praise to God the Father!
 All praise to Christ the Son!
All praise the Holy Spirit,
 who binds the Church in one!
With saints who went before us,
 with saints who witness still,
we sing glad alleluias
 and strive to do your will.

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Adorned with Christ

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Be seated

Offering

As the offering is gathered, please sign the Friendship Register as it is passed down the pew.

Hymn: **Borning Cry**

Let All the People Praise You, p. 34

I was there to hear your borning cry;
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

I was there when you were but a child,
with a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word,
I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.

If you find someone to share your time
and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life,
not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.

When the evening gently closes in
and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry;
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.

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Prayer of the Church

Eternal God, in the beauty of Eden you created a man and a woman and brought them together in marriage. You enabled them to be fruitful and increase in number and so you established the family. Help us to see in your creating wisdom your love for parents and children. **Move us to be thankful for mothers and fathers and for all the blessings you bring to our homes.**

Today we remember the mothers who loved us even before we were born, who endured the trauma of childbirth, and who cared for us when we could not care for ourselves. On this day and on other days cause us to recall the hours they spent and the sacrifices they made so that we could be content and carefree as we grew up. **Lead us to express our thanks and return the love our mothers showed to us.**

We cannot thank you enough for mothers and fathers, too, who brought us to Holy Baptism, taught us simple prayers at mealtime, and read us Bible stories at bedtime. Forgive us for resenting their correction and ignoring their guidance as they desired to keep us on the narrow path of life with Christ. **Never let us forget the Christian training they gave to us.**

We remember with compassion the mothers who were not always able to reflect your love in our lives. Help us understand the pressures they carried and the sadness they experienced. Take away unhappy memories and rid us of resentment. **Lead us to forgive them as you have forgiven us.**

We confess our failures to hold our parents in love. For the naughtiness of childhood, the flare-ups of youth, the overconfidence of adulthood, and for all the words and actions spoken in haste and to hurt, we ask you and our parents for pardon. **Give us courage to make up for past sins when we can.**

As their minds and bodies age, help us to support our parents as well as we can. Give us patience to accept their struggles for independence and strength to deal with their weaknesses. Enable us to keep them mindful of Jesus and his promises of a perfect life in heaven.

As they brought us to your Word, so lead us to keep them close to your Word.

Keep in your care all the mothers of our world. Comfort mothers who have been separated from their children. Give strength to mothers who care for children who are sick or troubled. Encourage mothers in societies where mothering is disrespected or discouraged. We pray especially for those who long to be mothers but have not been so blessed.

We pray you to preserve and protect the blessed task of motherhood.

So many women have influenced our lives. Lead us to think about their wisdom, compassion, patience, and encouragement and give us opportunities to say thank you when we can. Help us imitate their care for us as we work and play with children and young adults.

Strengthen us to love others as Jesus loved us. Amen.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Lord's Prayer

**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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.

Amen.

162 He Is Arisen! Glorious Word

He is arisen! Glorious Word!

Now reconciled is God, my Lord;

The gates of heav'n are open.

My Jesus did triumphant die,

And Satan's arrows broken lie,

Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon.

Oh, hear What cheer!

Christ victorious, Rising glorious,

Life is giving.

He was dead, but now is living!

Text: Birgitte K. Boye, 1742–1824; tr. George A. T. Rygh, 1860–1942, alt.

Thank you for worshipping with us!

May God richly bless your week.

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ

Today	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship Sunday School & Bible Class
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Small Group Bible Study
Friday	7:00 PM	NLHS Spring Pops Concert
Sunday 5/22	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship Sunday School & Bible Class

Serving the Pastoral Vacancy

Beginning May 1st, Pastor Jeff Mahnke from St Peter Lutheran Church is serving as Our Savior's vacancy pastor. Should you need his pastoral guidance and service, call / text him anytime at 715.297.0132. His email address is pastorm@mysaintpeter.org.

Assisting in Leading Our Worship Services

Pastor Kevin Schnake and Vicar Sam Helwig from St Peter are part of a rotation to help lead the 9:00 am worship service. Today we welcome Vicar Sam Helwig. His wife's name is Maddie, and they have been blessed with two young children: Maddie and Petra. Sam has been serving as the vicar at St Peter since August of 2021. He will return to Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in August for his senior year. God willing, he will receive a Divine Call into the pastoral ministry in May of 2023.

Requesting A Seminary Graduate

Our Savior's is requesting a pastoral candidate from the senior class of 2022 at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. According to Pastor Mike Jensen, the president of the Western Wisconsin District, there are currently 140 pastoral vacancies in our Synod, and he's expecting about 100 churches, including Our Savior's, to ask for a graduate from a class of 25 men. We rejoice to know that the risen and ascended Lord is in control and that he is guiding his Church here on earth. Let's pray boldly that we be granted a graduate, if it is God's will. The Seminary's Call Day service will be held on Thursday, May 26th, at 10:00 am.

Kronenwetter Mission Effort

The Multi Congregation Task Force and Core Group seeking to establish, with the help of the Western Wisconsin District Mission Board, a WELS mission church in Kronenwetter will meet at Northland this evening, May 15th, at 6:00 pm. Anyone interested may attend. Please keep this effort in your prayers!

Talent Night at Our Savior's School

On Monday, May 23 at 6:00 pm our students will present songs, skits, and talents. Afterwards, we'll celebrate a successful school year with treats and fellowship. Join us for an evening of fun and entertainment!

Ascension Day Worship & School Closing Service

Thursday, May 26 is Ascension Day. Join us for a special combined Ascension Day and school closing worship service at 6:30 p.m.

Ice Cream Social: Thank you, volunteers!

Please join us for ice cream and fellowship following the Ascension Day/School Closing worship service on May 26. We'd especially like to invite and offer special thanks to all our volunteers who keep our school and church running smoothly.

Memorials

We thank Mark & Beth Krohn for their gifts to the Vision fund given in memory of Jerry Unruh, brother of Bill Unruh, and Cliff Froehlich.

We thank Robert & Janice Gresens for their gift to debt reduction given in memory of Jerry Unruh.

We thank Audrey Bey for her gift given to Our Savior's School given in memory of Cliff Froehlich.

We thank Bob Bishop for his gift for children's ministry given in memory of his brother, Marvin Bishop.

Blessed be their memories.

Thanks be to God for the love which led to these gifts.

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: May 1, 2022

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Easter</u>
\$2,410.00	\$200.00	\$262.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$37.00
<u>Memorials</u>	<u>Publications</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>School Fees</u>	<u>BoxTops for Ed</u>	
\$20.00	\$5.00	\$40.00	\$99.00	\$29.50	

Attendance: Sunday, May 1 – 74 online – 29 Total = 103

Forward in Christ, Meditations & Portals of Prayer

The latest issues are available in the narthex and in the office link.

Lawn Maintenance

It's that time of year when our church and school green areas need to be mowed. If you're willing to help, please put your name on the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. The more people that help the fewer number of times it would be your team's turn.

2022 WELS Night At American Family Field

A Lamers motor coach will travel to American Family Park in Milwaukee to watch the Brewers play the Pittsburgh Pirates on Friday, July 8th at 7:10 pm. The bus will leave the St. Peter Schofield Campus at 2:30 pm and return at approximately 2:00 am. Approximate price for transportation and game ticket is \$52-65 per person (depends on how many people go). Payments are due on game day before getting on the bus. Sign up in the narthex by Sunday, June 5th, to secure your spot!

MLC Positions Open

Martin Luther College is accepting applications for Early Childhood Assistant Teacher, Early Childhood Administrative Assistant, Receptionist, Education Office Administrative Assistant, Resource Development Manager, Custodian, Baseball Assistant Coach, Volleyball Assistant Coach, and Men's Basketball Assistant Coach.

Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.



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