



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 22, 2022



By this
everyone will know

*that you are my disciples, if
you have love for one another.*

John 13:35, NRSV

Welcome to Worship!

Welcome to worship on this Sixth Sunday of Easter as we continue celebrating the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Today's hymns, Scripture readings, and hymn emphasize the power of Christ's resurrection in the hearts and lives of his people. Because he lives, we are compelled to love one another. May the Lord bless your worship!

Prayer Before Worship

“Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear, and often for each for each other flows the sympathizing tear. From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity”. (CW #730)

WELS Connection

This month's “WELS Connection” video features Risen Savior Lutheran Church in Lakewood Ranch, Florida. While no longer a WELS mission, this self-supporting church continues to reach out to new families through its pre-school ministry. May we be encouraged to do the same!

Serving Today

- Minister – Pastor Jeff Mahnke
- Organist – Marie Kurth
- Ushers – Dan & Carrie Stelzer
(Next Sunday – Mark Krohn/Kurt Schubring)

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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Our Worship

728 This Is My Will

CW 728

- 1 This is my will, my one command,
that love should dwell among you all.
This is my will, that you should love
as I have shown that I love you.
- 2 No greater love can be than this:
To choose to die to save one's friends.
You are my friends if you obey
what I command that you should do.
- 3 I call you now no longer slaves;
no slave knows all his master does.
I call you friends, for all I hear
my Father say you hear from me.
- 4 You chose not me, but I chose you,
that you should go and bear much fruit.
I chose you out that you in me
should bear much fruit that will abide.
- 5 All that you ask my Father dear
for my name's sake you shall receive.
This is my will, my one command,
that love should dwell in each, in all.

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Stand

In the name of the Father,
who has created us for his glory and praise,

In the name of the Son, †
who has redeemed us from our sins and for a life of joyful service,

In the name of the Holy Spirit,
who has brought us to faith and empowers us in our thankful living. Amen.

God, in his faithful love, has given us his best: his one and only Son, Jesus Christ. But we have failed to appreciate God's goodness and we have countless times not given our best back to him. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness, confess our sins, and ask him to forgive us.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment, both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

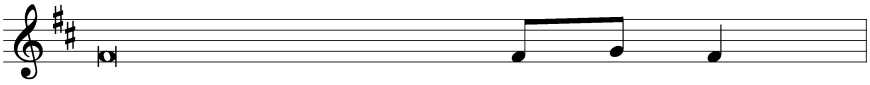
Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst (*1 Timothy 1:15*). Hear Christ's word of grace to you: Your sins have been paid for; You are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

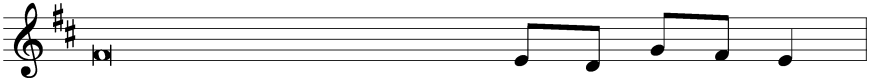
Praise be to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: let us worship him!

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

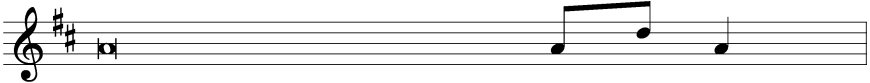
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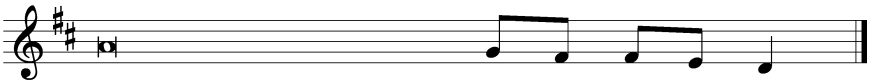
1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a great God
3 The sea is his, for he made it,



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
3 and his hand formed the dry land.



1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
4 For he is our God,



1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.
2 the heights of the hills are al - so his.
3 let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of his
pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Prayer of the Day

O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Word

First Reading

Acts 11:1–18

God overcomes Peter's self-glorification

¹The apostles and the believers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him ³and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them."

⁴Starting from the beginning, Peter told them the whole story: ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. ⁶I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles and birds. ⁷Then I heard a voice telling me, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.'

⁸"I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

⁹"The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.' ¹⁰This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again.

¹¹"Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying. ¹²The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. ¹⁴He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.'

¹⁵"As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. ¹⁶Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷So if God gave them the same gift he gave us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could stand in God's way?"

¹⁸When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life."

145B I Will Praise Your Name Forever

Psalm 145B

Refrain



I will praise your name for - ev - er, my King and my God.

Tone



Great is the LORD and most wor- / thy of praise;
his greatness no one can / fathom.

One generation commends your works to an- / other;
they tell of your / mighty acts.

The LORD upholds / all who fall
and lifts up all who are / bowed down. *Refrain*

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the /
proper time.

You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every / living thing.

The LORD is near to all who / call on him,
to all who call on / him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who / fear him;
he hears their cry and / saves them.

**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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¹If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹²For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Gospel Acclamation

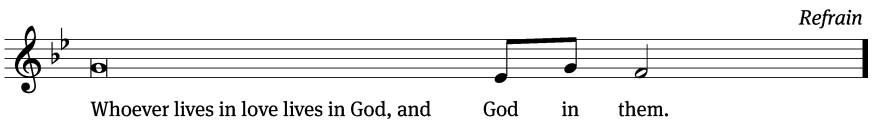
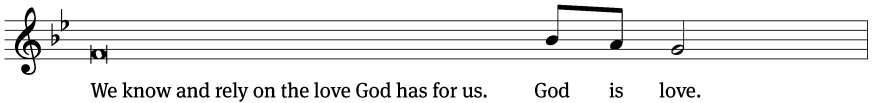
1 John 4:16



Refrain



Tone



Refrain

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Gospel

John 13:31–35

Christ commands us to love one other

³¹When he was gone, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

³³“My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

³⁴“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

This is Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Children's Message

469 Welcome, Happy Morning

CW 469

- 1 “Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say;
“Hell today is vanquished; heav’n is won today!”
Lo, the dead is living, God forevermore!
Him, their true Creator, all his works adore.
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say;
“Hell today is vanquished; heav’n is won today!”

- 2 Maker and Redeemer, life and health of all,
God from heav’n beholding human nature’s fall,
of the Father’s Godhead you, the only Son,
mankind to deliver manhood did put on.
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say;
“Hell today is vanquished; heav’n is won today!”

- 3 Source of all things living, you came down to die,
plumbed the depths of hell to raise us up on high.
Come, then, true and faithful, come, fulfill your word;
this is your third morning— rise, O buried Lord.
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say;
“Hell today is vanquished; heav’n is won today!”

- 4 Free the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan’s chain;
all that now is fallen raise to life again.
Show your face in brightness; shine in ev’ry land
as in Eden’s garden when the world began.
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say;
“Hell today is vanquished; heav’n is won today!”

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Lord Jesus: live in us so we can live – and love – for you!

Stand

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

Thank Offering and Friendship Register

Members of Our Savior's give generous and free will gifts to honor the Lord and support our ministry of the gospel. Guests are welcome to give but should not feel obligated to do so. As the offering is gathered, please sign the Friendship Register which is located at the end of each pew.

Prayer of the Church

Lord of heaven and earth, in the glorious resurrection of your Son, Jesus, you have given the promise of our own resurrection. As we await the Last Day, calm our hearts, and strengthen our faith through our sorrows. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, you have fashioned the Church as a heavenly Bride for your risen Son. Grant her your Spirit, that she may always listen to his deathless voice and ever declare his message of salvation. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Gracious God, lead your people in your steadfast love, and guide them in strength to your holy abode. Sanctify our homes, be the companion of those who live alone, and make all our households places in which your wisdom and grace are found. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Eternal Lord, you hold all people accountable for the responsibilities you have given them. O Lord, bless our president, our governor, the Congress and legislature, and all judges and magistrates. Guide them to serve according to your will and for the common good of all. Raise up those with heroic virtue who will defend our liberty. Protect those who defend us in the armed forces, even as you give peace to the nations. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we wait for the second coming of your resurrected Son. Grant us patience as we long to see him, and even now give us joy at his presence with us through the Word and Sacrament. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

All these things and whatever else you know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
Amen.

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 grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Be Seated

731 Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

- 1 Oh, how good it is when the fam'ly of God dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity. Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love are the fruits of his presence here among us. So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord, and with one heart we'll live out his word, till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come, for he dwells in the presence of his people.

- 2 Oh, how good it is on this journey we share
to rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace
when we offer the blessing of belonging.
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,
and with one heart we'll live out his word,
till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come,
for he dwells in the presence of his people.
- 3 Oh, how good it is to embrace his command
to prefer one another, forgive as he forgives.
When we live as one we all share in the love
of the Son with the Father and the Spirit.
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,
and with one heart we'll live out his word,
till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come,
for he dwells in the presence of his people.

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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
Monday	6:00 PM	Talent Night at OS School
Wednesday	6:30 PM	OS School Field Trip Small Group Bible Study
Thursday	6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Ascension Day Worship & School Closing Service Ice Cream Social Thank You
Saturday	1:00 PM	NLHS Graduation
Sunday 5/29	9:00 AM	Worship with Communion

Serving the Pastoral Vacancy

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.

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.

District Convention News

On June 6th and 7th, the Western Wisconsin District will meet in convention at Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, WI. We are looking for someone to serve as our lay delegate and represent Our Savior's along with Principal Lemke. If you are interested and would like more information, please speak with Travis Kurth.

Talent Night at Our Savior's School

Tomorrow evening 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

We will celebrate our Lord's triumphant return to his heavenly Father in a special Ascension Day worship service combined with school closing on Thursday, May 26. 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 thank all our volunteers who keep our church and school running smoothly.

Memorials

We thank Ellen Fitzke for her gift given in memory of Cliff Froehlich.

We thank Bob Bishop for his gift for children's ministry given in memory of his brother-in-law, Jim Buelow, a career Navy seal severely injured in action in Iraq years ago.

We thank Mark & Beth Krohn for their gift given in memory of Marvin Bishop, brother of Bob Bishop.

We thank Rick & Karen Leopold for their gift given in memory of Gerald Unruh, Marvin Bishop, and Cliff Froehlich.

Blessed be their memories.

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

Graduate Recognition

We'd like to acknowledge those who are graduating from high schools, colleges, or technical schools and include this information in the June newsletter. Parents & graduates are asked to contact the church office as soon as possible and provide the name of the school you are graduating from and your future plans. Please email Marie at osinfo@oursaviorswausau.org

Lawn Maintenance

If you're willing to help, please put your name on the signup sheet on the table in the narthex. The more people that help the fewer number of times it would be your team's turn.

Sign Up Today for 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!

Forward in Christ, Meditations & Portals of Prayer

Pick up the latest issues in the narthex or the office link.

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: May 15, 2022

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>Ascension</u>	<u>Memorial</u>
\$2,047.00	\$255.00	\$70.00	\$31.00	\$10.00	\$50.00
<u>NLHS Op</u>	<u>NLHS Tuition</u>	<u>WELS Schlrshp</u>	<u>New Beginnings Home</u>		
\$10.00	\$10.00	\$40.00	\$10.00		
<u>WELS Ukraine Relief</u>	<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Publications</u>	<u>Kids Programs</u>		
\$50.00	\$31.00	\$10.00	\$40.00		

Attendance: Sunday, May 15 – 81 online – 12 Total = 93



10 reasons to attend Taste of Missions

Join your brothers and sisters in Christ from around the world for Taste of Missions on **Saturday, June 11, 2022**, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wis., starting at 11 a.m. CT.

Here are 10 great reasons you should register today at tasteofmissions.com/register:

1. **Attend in-person OR virtually!** Don't live close enough to enjoy the festivities in person? Virtual attendees will be able to watch all events via livestream and view other bonus content online.
2. **Help send off new missionaries into their fields of service.** Two missionaries will be commissioned during the opening worship service at 11 a.m. CT: Rev. Keegan Dowling and Rev. Benjamin Foxen, both heading to Lusaka, Zambia. Additional missionaries will most likely be added to that list as calls are accepted and graduates are assigned to home and world mission fields in the next month.
3. **Learn what it's like to prepare for a mission call** by asking questions during the Q&A with newly commissioned missionaries.
4. **Sample tasty ethnic food** using the three tasting tickets that come with registration. Three different food trucks will be onsite: [Meat on the Street](#) (Filipino), [Marco Pollo](#) (Tex-Mex, Chinese, and Malaysian/Indian chicken dishes), and [Falafel Guys](#) (Middle Eastern). Additional food can also be purchased. Online attendees can try their hand at making one of the new ethnic recipes shared by missionaries and their families at tasteofmissions.com/recipes.

5. **Ask what it's like for a family to serve in a mission field** during the Missionary Family Q&A. Michael and Rachel Hartman (London, England), Craig and Christina Wilke (Brandon, S.D.), and Paul and Aneela Jordan (South Asian outreach) will serve as panelists.
6. **Get to know home and world missionaries** through mission field updates shared on stage or fellowship throughout the day. Even more "Moments with Missionaries" video updates will be shared at tasteofmissions.com.
7. **Hear the latest updates from World and Home Missions** from Chairman Paul Janke (World Missions) and Chairman Mark Gabb (Home Missions), including a sneak peak of the 100 missions in 10 years initiative that will launch in 2023!
8. **Check out mission field display booths**, view Missions artifacts, and collect recipe cards from around the world as you learn about the 141 home mission congregations and 62 countries where WELS Missions is conducting/exploring outreach.
9. **Bring the kids to learn about mission work** and enjoy activities like a passport challenge, missions-themed coloring pages and activities, a bounce house, face painting, and more.
10. **Enter for your chance to win** a missions-themed raffle basket or purchase pre-assembled recipe booklets and Taste of Missions t-shirts to show your support of WELS mission work.

Registration is \$15 per person, with children 13 and under attending for free. Or attend virtually for free! Learn more at tasteofmissions.com.



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