

# Sixth Weekend of Easter

Saturday, May 9, 2026 - 4:00pm

Sunday, May 10, 2026 - 8:30am

## Prelude

## Hymn of Invocation: Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs

LSB 812



1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs With an - gels  
2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "To be ex -  
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive Hon - or and  
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one To bless the



round the throne; Ten thou - sand thou - sand  
alt - ed thus!" "Wor - thy the Lamb," our  
pow'r di - vine; And bless - ings more than  
sa - cred name Of Him who sits up -



are their tongues, But all their joys are one.  
lips re - ply, "For He was slain for us!"  
we can give Be, Lord, for - ev - er Thine.  
on the throne And to a - dore the Lamb.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748  
Tune: Johann Crüger, 1598-1662  
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## Confession and Absolution

### Easter Invocation

- P** We begin in the Name of the Father,
- C** **Who raises His only Son, so that we might have life.**
- P** We begin in the Name of His Son, Jesus Christ,
- C** **Who redeemed us on the cross with His own blood.**
- P** We begin in the Name of the Holy Spirit,
- C** **Who comforts us, and gives us power to live. Amen. Christ is risen, Alleluia!**

### Exhortation

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- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**Psalms 124:8**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** **Psalm 130:3**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

## Confession of Sins

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**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

(a time of silence for personal confession)

## Absolution

# Service of the Word

## Introit: Psalm 66:8-20

**P** Bless our God, O peoples;

**C** **Let the sound of his praise be heard,**

**P** Who has kept our soul among the living

**C** **And has not let our feet slip.**

**P** For you, O God, have tested us;

**C** **You have tried us as silver is tried.**

**P** You brought us into the net;

**C** **You laid a crushing burden on our backs;**

**P** You let men ride over our heads;

**C** **We went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.**

**P** I will come into your house with burnt offerings;

**C** **I will perform my vows to you,**

**P** That which my lips uttered

**C** **And my mouth promised when I was in trouble.**

**P** I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;

**C** **I will make an offering of bulls and goats.**

**P** Come and hear, all you who fear God,

- C** And I will tell what he has done for my soul.
- P** I cried to him with my mouth,
- C** And high praise was on my tongue.
- P** If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
- C** The Lord would not have listened.
- P** But truly God has listened;
- C** He has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- P** Blessèd be God,
- C** Because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!
- C** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

## Kyrie

LSB 204



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## Hymn of Praise: O Sons and Daughters of the King

LSB 470 sts. 3–4



3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and  
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them



speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."  
came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."



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

Text: attr. Jean Tisserand, d. 1494; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.  
Tune: Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570–1615  
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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
  
- P** Let us pray.  
O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**Welcome**

*Saturday - Pastor Tim Eden; Sunday Pastor Randy Bard*

**Children's Time (Sunday)**

*Pastor Randy Bard*

**First Reading**

*Acts 17:16–31*

<sup>16</sup>While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there.

<sup>18</sup>Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. <sup>19</sup>And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? <sup>20</sup>For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” <sup>21</sup>Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

<sup>22</sup>So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. <sup>26</sup>And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, <sup>27</sup>that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, <sup>28</sup>for

“‘In him we live and move and have our being’;

as even some of your own poets have said,

“‘For we are indeed his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup>Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. <sup>30</sup>The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

- A** Christ has risen from the dead.
- C** **God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor.**
- A** He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
- C** **He has put all things under his feet. Amen.**

## Epistle

*1 Peter 3:13–22*

<sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia and Verse



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**C** These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



## Holy Gospel Reading

*John 14:15–21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>[Jesus said:] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup>even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

**G** 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  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Hymn of the Day: This Joyful Eastertide

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1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and  
2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Je - sus crossed the  
3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son



sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,  
riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill  
slum - ber Till trump from east to west



Has sprung to life this mor - row:  
My pass - ing soul de - liv - er:  
Shall wake the dead in num - ber:

*Refrain*



Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,



Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -



ris - en, a - ris - en; But now has Christ a - ris - en!

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848–1934

Tune: Davids Psalmen, 1684, Amsterdam

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Hymn Response: Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

LSB 474



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -  
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter Tell - ing the  
 3 Je - sus the vine, We are the branch - es; Life in the  
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; Sor - row, be si - lent: Death put a -  
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er, Gold - en Je -



sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, Heav - en for -  
 sto - ry to o - pen our eyes; Break - ing our bread, Giv - ing us  
 Spir - it the fruit of the tree; Heav - en to earth, Christ to the  
 sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright. Cher - u - bim sing: "O grave, be  
 ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb, Riv - er of life, Saints and arch -



ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
 glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
 peo - ple, Gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
 o - pen!" Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
 an - gels, Sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

*Refrain*



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Prayer of the Church

*Those for whom we are praying are listed in the bulletin. Each petition of the prayer will end, "Lord, in Your Mercy." The worshippers respond, "Hear our prayer."*

## Lord's Prayer

**C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## The Benediction

**P** Christ is risen.

**C** He is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

**P** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** The Lord bless our days and our deeds with His peace.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn to Depart: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB 790



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,  
4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -  
5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your  
reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -  
made you, Health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly  
fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His  
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is  
fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief Ev - er has  
dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -  
prais - es be - fore Him! Let the A - men Sound from His



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
failed of re - lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you.  
might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.  
peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore Him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–80; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
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## Postlude

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