

Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

- † reaching up to God in worship and prayer,
- † reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &
- † reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

A Prayer before Worship

We are weak and sick, O Father, and the temptations of the flesh and the world are great and many. O Father, keep us, and let us not fall again into temptation and sin. Give us grace that we may remain steadfast and fight bravely to the end. Without your grace and help we can do nothing, Amen. (M. Luther, 1483-1546)

Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

Nursery/Cry Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed until further notice. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

Access Services Online

If you would like to see a service that you missed or would just like to see it again, please visit our website at <u>planolutheran.com/resources/bulletins-and-services</u> for past videos and bulletins.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM Divine Service I – *LSB 151*

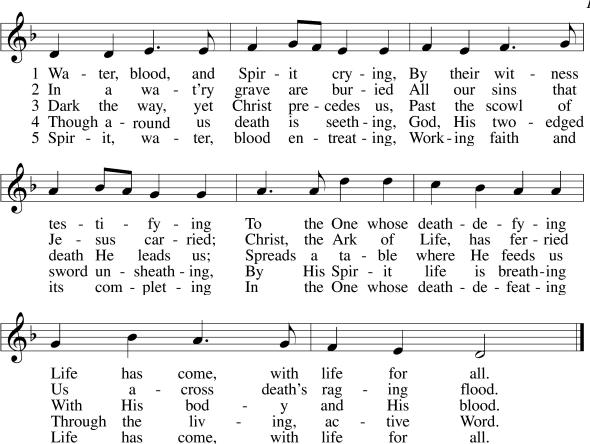
Prelude

Stand

Entrance Hymn

"Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying"

LSB 597



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Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

LSB 151

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Matthew 28:19b, [18:20]

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

1 John 1:8-9

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

[John 20:19-23]

- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

C Lord,

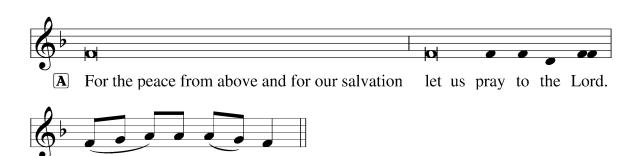
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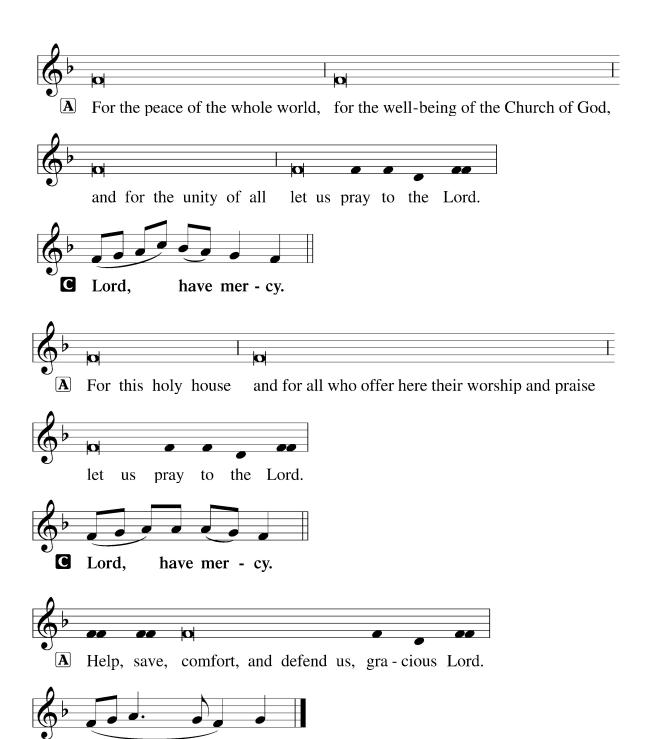
Kyrie

Mark 10:47; LSB 152



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Gloria in Excelsis

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Luke 2:14, John 1:29; LSB 154



men.

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22; LSB 156

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.
- P 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.

First Reading Acts 10:34–48

³⁴Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

⁴⁴While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. ⁴⁵And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. ⁴⁶For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle 1 John 5:1–8

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. ⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there are three that testify: ⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand



John 6:68; LSB 156



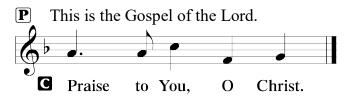
Holy Gospel John 15:9–17

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



⁹[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

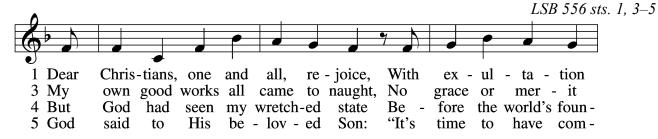
¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. ¹⁷These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

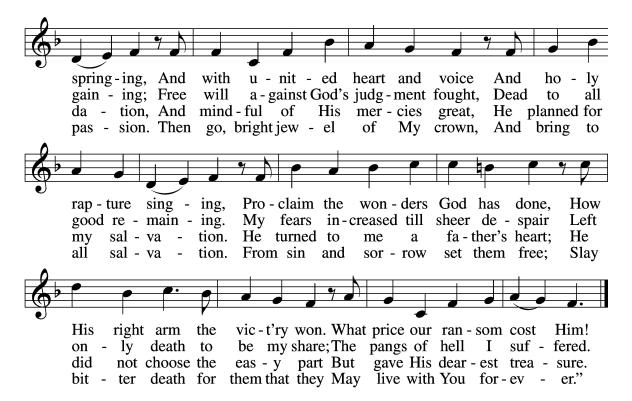


Sit

Hymn of the Day

"Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"





Sermon

Stand

Apostles' Creed

LSB 159

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

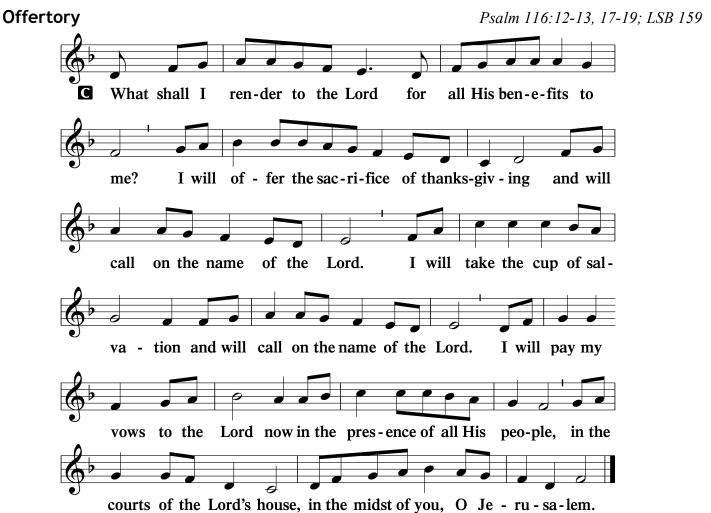
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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.

Prayer of the Church

(Ordinarily, this is the time to collect our offerings. As we are forgoing passing a plate, an offering plate has been placed at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also mail your offerings or contribute online from our website's "Giving" link.)



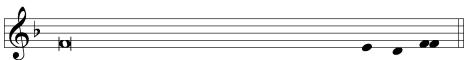
Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13; LSB 162

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.

Collect for Grace

- P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.



P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



Recessional Hymn

"Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious"

LSB 548



Announcements

Dismissal

- **P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Postlude

An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Sunday School - Children K - 5th Grade

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K-5th graders from Room 113.

Jr. & Sr. IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet at 9:30 am with Scott Peters in Room 122 and on zoom. They are doing a character study on Your Unshakable Identity in Christ.

Adult Bible Class

Adult Bible Class, led by Pastor Shaltanis, meets in the fellowship hall at 9:30ish. This study is over the book of Mark.

Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative

Starting May 16th, Mike Kunschke will reboot the study on Ephesians. Anyone who is interested is invited to attend this class at 9:30 am in the library, just let Mike know.

Adult Instruction Class

New member adult instruction/confirmation class will be meeting on Sunday afternoons. If you would like a refresher or know someone who is interested in learning more about Lutheran beliefs, please join us this afternoon at 1:00 pm.

Midweek Bible Study

Now meeting Wednesdays at 10am, all are welcome to join as we study the book of Revelation.

Running to Lexington

At the next LWML convention, June 24–27, 2021, in Lexington, Kentucky, attendees will hear how mites are being used to support mission grants. Kimberly Thrombley, Vice President of Religious Life and Church Relations at Bethesda will share her thanks for the grant supporting their ministry. We'll be "Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus."

Life Thoughts in the Church Year

"My body, my choice," says a sinful world. "You did not choose me, but I chose you" (John 15:16), answers a loving God. Motherhood comes about by His gift, not because of our will. Choice forces us to look out only for number one, but grace invites us to "love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). Praise the Lord for mother's love!

This week on KFUO.org

Finish Jude and begin Jeremiah on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study 1 Kings 11-16 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and learn how our Confessions interact with our daily life as Lutherans on Concord Matters (5/15 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org or wherever you get your podcasts!



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Board of Elders must announce that, after many years of faithful service, Dave Peters is stepping back from active duty on the board. That said, Dave assures us that he's not going anywhere and that he will continue to be here week to week (and he'll likely continue to be involved in all manner of ministry here) even though he will no longer take up regular Elder duties. Please join us in offering our appreciation to Dave for his service and in seeking to emulate the example of his faith, his love for Christ, and his concern for all of our members here at Lord of Life.

Board of Elders



Lord of Life IMPACT Youth Ministry



Bring your donated items to church during the week of May 10 - 14 and place them in the game room. (Room 121).

Proceeds will benefit the 2021 summer youth trip.



Salvation Outline

The following seven points summarize the basic information about the human condition and God's saving grace. You may want to memorize these points so that you may share them with someone who does not yet believe in Jesus as his or her Savior.

- 1. God loves you! "For God so loved the world, that he gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life" (**John 3:16**).
- 2. You are a sinner. "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23).
- 3. *God punishes sin.* "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (**Rom. 6:23**).
- 4. *Jesus took our punishment.* "But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (**Rom. 5:8**).
- 5. Jesus rose from the dead. "For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures" (1 Cor. 15:3–4).
- 6. Jesus offers forgiveness of sins and eternal life to those who believe in Him. "Then he brought them out and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' And they said, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household" (Acts 16:30–31).
- 7. Salvation is free—a gift from God. "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast" (Eph. 2:8–9).

Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor: Pastor Joel Shaltanis
Organist: Paul Grabow

Altar Guild: Beverly Moudy, Don Padgett, Emma Padgett, Nevelle Vess Elder: Dave Peters

This Week at Lord of Life-Today, May 9, 2021

8:00 am Early Worship Service 9:30 am Children's Sunday School

(K-5th Gr, Room 113)

Jr. & Sr. IMPACT Class (Room 122) Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall)

10:45 am Late Worship Service 1:00 pm New Member Class

4:00 pm Harp Recital

Tuesday, May 11

7:00 pm Elders

7:00 pm Protest Your Property Tax Seminar

Wednesday, May 12

10:00 am Midweek Bible Study

Saturday, May 15

8:00 am IMPACT Garage Sale

Next Sunday's Readings May 16, 2021

First Reading: Acts 1:12-26

Epistle: 1 John 5:9–15

Gospel: John 17:11b-19

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Janice Sullivan in thanksgiving for her parents; and by the Elders.





About the Cover: In the light of Easter morning, we see the cross all the more clearly. We see the glory in the greatest love. Jesus was willing to lay down His life for His friends. Jesus considers us His friends because He loves us. The light of His cross shines brightly today because Jesus' redemption and life for us come from His self-sacrificing love.