

*Sunday, May 7th—The Fifth Sunday of Easter|*

*The Season of Resurrection*

*The 5th Sunday of Easter*

*Worship with Holy Communion*

Our worship service uses *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, the cranberry hymnal in your pew.

**Prelude**

**Barbara Regent**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Ringling of the Chimes**

***Gathering***

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

*You are invited to stand in body or spirit.*

**Easter Invocation**

Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating an earth of splendor and for making us into a people of your own. With all the saints who have received your Word we worship you, holy God. **We worship you, holy God.**

We praise you for your eternal Word, for conquering the force of death, and for raising us up through the resurrection of our Lord. For your Word alive among us, we praise you, living God.

**We praise you, living God.**

Breathe the Spirit of the risen Christ on us, that led by your Word we may honor your earth and its many peoples and serve all who are in need. For your Word animating our Easter life, we bless you, loving God. **We bless you, loving God.**

All worship, praise, and blessing be to you, Source of life, Ruler of life, and Power of life, today and forever. **Amen**

**Gathering Hymn: *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice & Sing!*  
ELW #385**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

**Amen**



***Welcome to Worship  
at Adoration!***

*If you're visiting with us or  
new to our congregation,  
please sign the welcome  
book at the entrance to the  
church.*

*Please introduce yourself to  
someone!*

*We'd love to share more  
about our faith community  
with you.*

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***Introduction***

*As we continue to celebrate  
the fifty days of Easter,  
today's gospel includes  
Jesus' promise that he goes  
to prepare a place for his  
followers in his Father's  
house. Our baptism  
commissions us to share  
Jesus' mission in the world.*

*As 1 Peter reminds us, we  
are a holy people, called to  
proclaim the one who called  
us out of darkness into light.  
In words and deeds we bear  
witness to the risen Christ—  
our way, our truth, our life.*

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Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

To you, O God:

**All hearts are open, to you all desires are known.**

**We come to you, confessing our sins.**

**Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love.**

**Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen**

By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of † Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. May the God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

**Amen**

**Hymn of Praise: “Now the Feast and Celebration”**

*ELW #167*

**Apostolic Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. **Beloved Savior, thank you that by your own example you have modeled how to endure suffering and hardship. God keep us safe and be our refuge during the storms of life. Help us not to fear death, but to recognize it as the only door into our eternal home with you. Thank you, Jesus, for preparing a place for us in the Kin-dom. Today and always, may you enliven our spirits, enabling and equipping us to be a royal priesthood called, gathered, and sent to do “greater works” in your name. We ask this all in the Name of Jesus, Amen**

*Please be seated.*



*Children are invited forward for an age-specific message focused on the day's reading and the lesson they will study in Sunday School. The children will be dismissed for their own Sunday School learning time after their time in front and return with their leaders in time for Communion.*



*Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives. We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.*



## Children's Time

### Word

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

#### **First Lesson: Proverbs 4:10-18**

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

<sup>10</sup> Hear, my child, and accept my words, that the years of your life may be many.

<sup>11</sup> I have taught you the way of wisdom; I have led you in the paths of uprightness.

<sup>12</sup> When you walk, your step will not be hampered; and if you run, you will not stumble.

<sup>13</sup> Keep hold of instruction; do not let go; guard her, for she is your life.

<sup>14</sup> Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of evildoers. <sup>15</sup>Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass on. <sup>16</sup> For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong; they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble. <sup>17</sup> For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence.

<sup>18</sup> But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

#### **Special Music: The Lord Made The Earth & Sky**

##### *Chancel Choir*

#### **Second Lesson: 1 Peter 2:2-10**

A reading from the Letter of First Peter.

<sup>2</sup>Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—<sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

<sup>4</sup>Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."



<sup>7</sup>To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,” <sup>8</sup>and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

<sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy but now you have received mercy. Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation: *Be Not Afraid* ELW #388

*Sing twice through*

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

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Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community  
 Music: BE NOT AFRAID, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994  
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### The Gospel: John 14:1-14

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th Chapter  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself,

*On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.*



so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going.” <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

<sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

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

### **Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day: *Word of God, Come Down on Earth***  
***ELW #510***

*You are invited to stand in body or spirit.*

### **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 whom all things were made.**

**We pray for those in need:**

Those grieving the death of Larry Markiewicz, especially Kathy Imp, Sue Clark, and Mary Anne Markiewicz; Donna, Betty's Wing's sister, hospitalized at St. Luke's; Bernice Young's son-in-law who had a mild stroke; Joani Bettin, grieving the death of her grandson, Danny; John Imp; Ivy Rose Eigner, granddaughter of Sandy & Charlie; Donna Babilus; Tom Nowakowski, Rodney, nephew of JoAnn Voegeli, recovering from brain surgery; Zelka Marincak, cousin of Barb and Rich Regent, who is recovering from brain surgery; Dennis, Jayne Bednar's friend, who is entering hospice after a battle with cancer; Stephanie, friend of Jayne Bednar's daughter, who is battling cancer; Jackie, Deanna Posig's relative, recovering from back surgery; Cecilia, friend of Jill Lindberg, who is battling aggressive breast cancer; Merlin, JoAnn Voegeli's brother, recovering after a fall; Eric and family, grieving the loss of spouse from cancer (Kathy Imp); Nick, with advanced cancer (Carol Fehr); Mary, Sandy Young's sister; Jerry, Bruce Crueger's brother; Karen, Sandy Ringwall's sister; Doug Hamilton (spouse of Lori Hamilton); Bob (friend of Bob & Connie Yersin); Joy Braun (friend of Sue Clark); Amy & Family (friends of Kathy Wakefield)

**We continue to pray for strength for:**

Joani Bettin;  
Betty Wing;  
Kathy Imp;  
Marylee Dye;  
Ruth & Bob Bauer;  
Pat Koch;  
Wally Stasiewski;  
Mary Anne Markiewicz;  
Eric (Crystal's brother)

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**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.**

**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,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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**

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. *A brief silence.*

God of life, strengthen your church to proclaim your gospel even in times of trouble. Bless all deacons and strengthen them for their bridge-building ministry between church and world.

Receive our prayers, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Creating God, you show your steadfast love through mighty waters, towering mountains, verdant fields, and arid deserts. Protect the earth's diverse habitats from the forces of pollution, erosion, extinction, and global warming.

Receive our prayers, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Mighty God, your Spirit guides us into all truth. Give wisdom to world and local leaders and organizations as they begin, build, or renew relationships. Strengthen leaders and aid organizations in areas needing to be rebuilt following conflict, unrest, or natural disaster, *especially* Ukraine and Sudan.

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**We keep in our prayers:**

Lindsay, deployed to Qatar (granddaughter of Sandy Ringwall);  
 The Lindahl/Lazaris Family;  
 JoAnn Voegeli  
 Dawn (friend of Sandy and Bob Young);  
 Pat (cousin of Donna Babilus);  
 Scott and Debbie (family of Margaret Duris);  
 Keith (Sandy Eigner's brother-in-law);  
 Susan (Darlene Witkowiak's daughter);  
 Jeremy (Tom Nowakowski's nephew);  
 Caroline (Jill Lindberg's daughter);  
 Shelby and the family of Taylor Daniels (friends of Crystal Januchowski)

**We pray for the following with our siblings across the ELCA:**

For the friends and family of the shooting victims in Texas; for all those who have suffered from gun violence...  
 For an end to the killing of innocent civilians in warfare – especially in Ukraine...  
 For peace in Sudan, Ukraine, Palestine, Israel, and Syria...  
 For our representatives in congress; that they would devote themselves to working together for the well-being of all...  
 For an expansion of mental health care in our country, especially in rural communities...  
 For the rights of women and girls for education and health care especially in Afghanistan...  
 In thanksgiving for health care workers, especially nurses, that they may be honored and sustained in their critical work...  
 For a resolution to political turmoil in Kenya...



Receive our prayers, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Loving God, you make your home among us. Abide with refugees, those experiencing homelessness, those fleeing war and poverty, and all who question if there is a home in your heart. We pray for all who are sick (*especially* those we name before you now. Receive our prayers, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Assuring God, you accompany your people amid uncertainty and change. Uphold people in this community who have recently moved, changed jobs or schools, retired, or are going through transitions of any kind. Lead us in your ways.

Receive our prayers, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Renewing God, you gather the saints at your heavenly banquet. We give you thanks for the care shown us by those who have gone before us, *especially* Larry Markiewicz. Grant confidence and comfort for all awaiting the place you have prepared. Receive our prayers, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen**

**Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**  
*Please share signs of peace with those in your vicinity.*

*Today we give our tithes and offerings by bringing them forth as we come to receive Communion.*

**Meal**

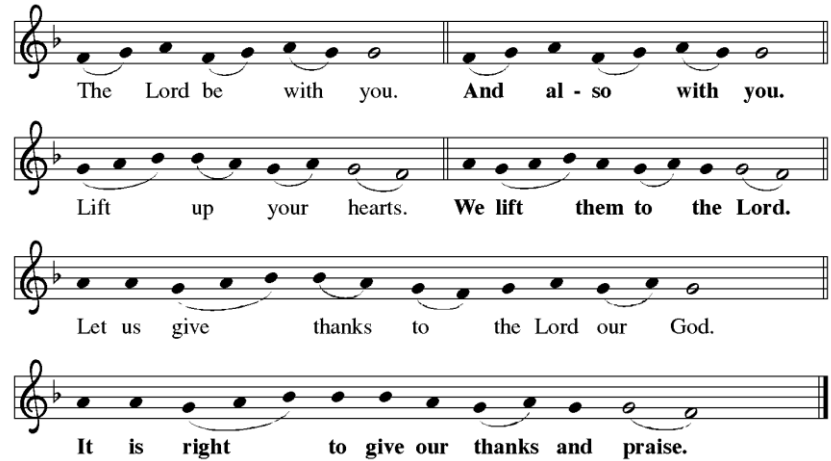
*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.  
 You are invited to stand in body or spirit.*

**Preparation Prayer**

Let us pray. **Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One.**

**In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

### Communion Dialogue



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

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

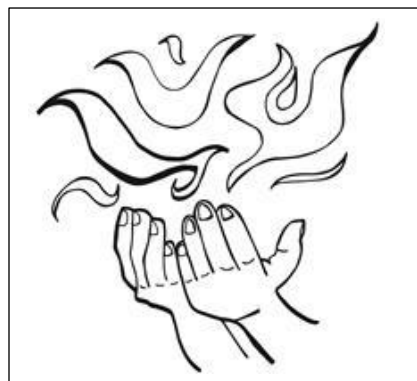


### Proper Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ: The true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Sanctus: *Holy, Holy, Holy* ELW #189**







Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
 heav - en 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.

Music: Paul D. Weber, b. 1949  
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### **Eucharistic Prayer**

Holy, living, and loving God:

Praise to you, O God, for your Word of life:

Creating a wondrous universe,

*Ps. 92:5*

Proclaiming freedom from captivity,

*Exod. 5:1*

Becoming the song of your people.

*Ps. 118:4*

**We praise you, O God, for your Creative Word.**

Your Word is made flesh among us:

with Mary in the garden, you call us by name.

*John 20:16*

With Thomas beholding your wounds,

you call us to believe.

*John 20:17*

With sheep of others folds,

we are gathered by your voice.

*John 10:16*

Your Word names our death and our life:

*John 5:24*

a seed that falls into the earth and dies,

*John 12:24*

rain and snow that come down from heaven

to water the earth,

*Isa. 55:10*

a vine in which we abide.

*John 15:5*

Through your Word, you appoint us to bear fruit,

fruit that will last.

*John 15:16*

**We bless you, O God, for your Redeeming Word, Jesus.**

Who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with

a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

## Words of Institution

### Remembering and Invocation

Together, awaiting your promised life for all this dying world, we proclaim the mystery of faith:



By your living Word,  
we are witnesses of these things. *Luke 24:48*  
Breathe into us your Holy Spirit. *John 20:22*  
Open our minds to understand the scriptures. *Luke 24:45*



Give us wisdom to declare what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands concerning the word of life. *1 John 1:1*  
Fill us with strength to love, not in word or speech alone, but in truth and action. *1 John 3:18*  
With every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, *Rev. 5:13*  
we join in the hymn of all creation.

**We thank you, O God, for your life-giving Word.**



### Lord's Prayer

Remember us, dear Jesus, and teach us to pray.

**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.**

### ON RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

You are invited to the Lord's Table by the Lord Jesus Christ himself. Therefore, Adoration Lutheran Church practices "Open Communion," which means we do not restrict anyone from receiving this grace-filled gift of God. Jesus loves everyone and welcomes everyone to his table of grace and peace.



We come forward to share in Holy Communion today. You may choose to receive a wafer and a poured cup of wine or juice or a pre-sealed packet containing both a wafer and juice.

Gluten-free wafers available by indicating your need to the server.

Consecrated Goldfish crackers are available for children.

All are welcome to come forth and receive a blessing.

Please place used cups in the baskets on the end of the front pews.



**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### Invitation to Communion

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for all, given and shed for you.

*Please wait to come forward for Holy Communion until we have completed singing the "Lamb of God."*

### Lamb of God (ELW #195)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948  
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### Communion

**Distribution Hymn: *Come, Let us Eat* ELW #491**

### Post-Communion Blessing

### Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. **Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen**

### *Sending*

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

**Today's Lay Leaders****Lector:** Jeff Faltersack**Ushers:** Deanna Posig and  
Linda Kolar-Wood**Communion Assistants:**  
Judy Goodwin and Sandy  
Ringwall**Altar Guild:** Deanna Posig**Music & Worship  
Coordinator:**  
Barb Regent

*Altar flowers this  
Sunday, May 7th,  
are in celebration  
of the birthdays of  
Brad & Kendall  
Hodgson.*

**Thanksgiving for The Word**

Let us pray. Risen Christ, Living Word, you are the bread of life that nourishes and sustains us. By the power of your Word, dwell in our hearts and reveal to us again that we are the body of Christ: in our vulnerable flesh, though our baptism into your death and resurrection, and in service to the world you love. Be for us manna in the wilderness. **Open us to recognize you in every meal and in all who hunger for bread, for human touch, and for healing and hope. We pray in your name, our healer and companion. Amen**

**Special Music:** *A Choral Benediction* Chancel Choir**Sending Hymn:** *O Savior, Precious Savior* ELW #820**Dismissal**Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!****Postlude*****Adoration Lutheran Church****A Congregation of the**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

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