

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2023 SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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HE LIVES AND CALLS ME TO LIVE FOR HIM

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." We know that keeping little children occupied for an entire church service can be a challenge. Don't worry; most of those worshiping around you have been in your shoes at one time. If you feel that you need to take your child out of church at any time, we have a Children's Room to the right as you exit the worship area. The first parking space in front of church is designated for **expectant mothers and families with small children**.

Restrooms are located to your left as you exit the worship area. There are **changing tables in both restrooms**.

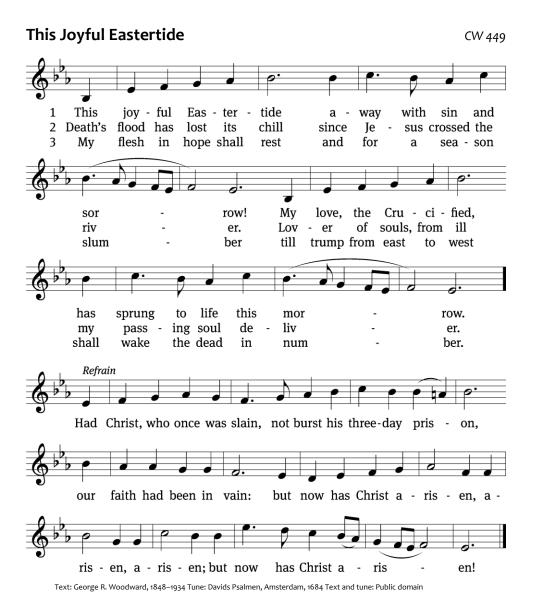
LARGE PRINT copies of worship materials are available from the ushers. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to ask an usher.

Thank you for worshiping with us today! Whether you are a guest or a member we would love to know you are here! Please use this QR code to sign our digital friendship register. There are also tablets available in the back of Church for you to sign in.



SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presiding Minister Preacher Organist Pastor Collin Vanderhoof Pastor Aaron Winkelman Amy Balza



Baptism CW 679

10:30am, Oliver Jens Plesetz, Son of Tyler and Savanna Plesetz

Invocation

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

And also with you.

Confession of Sins

We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

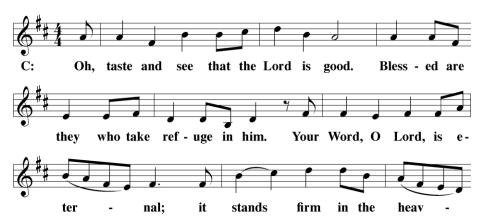
Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

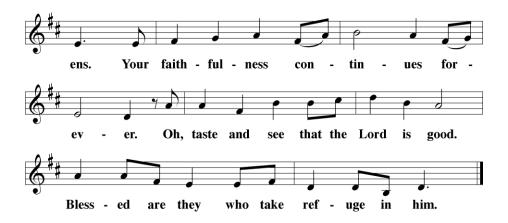
God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

Amen.

Prayer and Praise

In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.





Prayer of the Day

Let us pray

O God, you are the giver of everything good. Inspire us, your humble servants, to long for what is right and, through your gracious guidance, accomplish it to your glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

Anthem See, What a Morning

See, what a morning, gloriously bright, with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem; folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light, as the angels announce, "Christ is risen!" See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice, fulfilled in Christ, the Man, for he lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping, "Where is he laid?" as in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb. Hears a voice speaking, calling her name; it's the Master, the Lord raised to life again! The voice that spans the years, speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us, will sound till he appears, for he lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
thro' the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.
Honor and blessing, glory and praise
to the King crowned with pow'r and authority!
And we are raised with him;
death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered.
And we shall reign with him,
for he lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

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First Reading Acts 17:22–31

²²Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: to an unknown god. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.

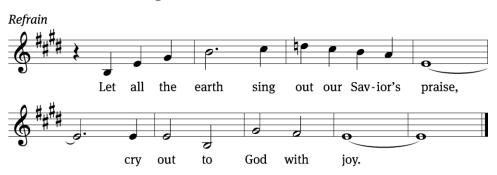
²⁴"The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. ²⁵And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. ²⁶From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. ²⁷God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. ²⁸'For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.'

²⁹"Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. ³⁰In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. ³¹For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead."

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Let All the Earth Sing Out

Psalm 66C





Shout for joy to God, / all the earth!
Sing the glory of his name; make his praise / glorious.
Praise our God, all / peoples,
let the sound of his / praise be heard;
he has pre- / served our lives
and kept our feet from / slipping. *Refrain*

Come and hear, all you who / fear God; let me tell you what he has / done for me. If I had cherished sin / in my heart, the Lord would not have / listened; but God has surely / listened and has / heard my prayer. 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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Second Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

¹³Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened." ¹⁵But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord.

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

¹⁶keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. ¹⁷For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. ¹⁹After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits— ²⁰to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, ²¹and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Verse of the Day



¹⁵"If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."

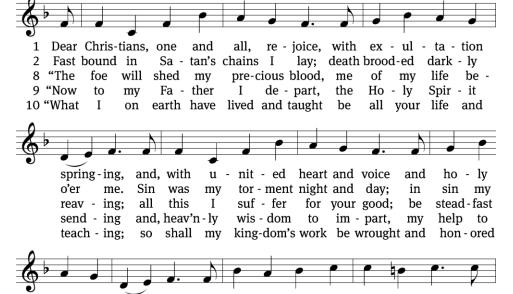
The Gospel of the Lord



Please be seated

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

CW 557 sts. 1-2, 8-10



rap - ture sing - ing, pro-claim the won - ders God has done, how Yet deep and deep - er moth - er bore me. still Ι fell: life Life will from death the and be - liev - ing. vic - t'ry win: mv He will a source of you ex - tend - ing. com - fort be. teach preach-ing. Take care that no one's man-made laws should in vour



his right arm the vic - t'ry won. How dear - ly it has cost him! had be - come a liv - ing hell, so firm - ly sin pos - sessed me. in - no - cence shall bear your sin, and you are blest for - ev - er. you to know and fol - low me, and in all truth will guide you. e'er de - stroy the gos - pel's cause; this fi - nal word I leave you."

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Sermon

The 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.

Please be seated

Offering

Offering boxes are located in the back of Church. If you wish to give an electronic offering, we have provided a QR code at the end of this worship folder. You can also go to pilgrimcares.org/giving to give your offerings.

Prayer of the Church

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.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

CW 606



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Please stand

Closing Prayer

O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Benediction

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

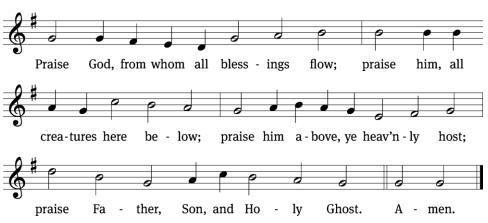
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



Please be seated

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

CW 617



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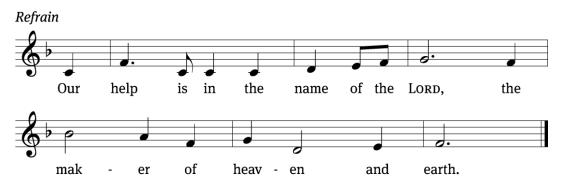
Parents' Preview for May 17/21

PURPOSE

The Parents' Preview highlights an aspect of next week's service: a liturgical song, a Psalm refrain, or a hymn stanza. Our hope and prayer are that parents will teach this portion of the service to their children at home during the week so that children can participate more fully in the worship service.

Our Help Is in the Name of the LORD

Christian Worship: Psalter 124A



PRAYER

Almighty God, your Son our Savior was taken up in glory and intercedes for us at your right hand. Through your living and abiding Word, give us hearts to know him and faith to follow where he has gone; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

News & Notes

Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Chmielewski family in celebration of Cassandra's twenty-fifth birthday. Happy birthday Cassandra!

Wednesday Service Change! There will not be a Wednesday evening service on May 17. We will have an Ascension service on Thursday, May 18 at 6:30pm. Please plan to attend this special service.

Pastor Winkelman would like to make home visits with you over the remainder of this year. Every family is highly encouraged to schedule a visit. In order to accommodate scheduling you may schedule a time to visit either by following the QR code or by calling the office.

Graduation Service On Thursday, May 25, a graduation service will be held in the gym at 6:30pm. A small reception will be held for Grades 7-8 and their families and friends after the service in the Gathering Space.

Pilgrim Track & Field Day – grades K5-8 The Pilgrim annual Track & Field Day for grades K5-8 will be held on Friday, May 26. We will have a half day of school from 8-11:45am. The eighth graders will captain the teams comprised of the rest of the student body.

The Pilgrim Care Team invites you consider joining their efforts. Opportunities include:

- · Delivering gift baskets to homebound members near their birthdays
- · Wellness calls between monthly pastor visits
- · Changing smoke detector batteries for those who cannot climb ladders or making such arrangements.
- · Providing meals for those who come home from the hospital or for those grieving.
- · Sending cards to members just to assure we are thinking of them.

If any of these areas of care interest you, contact Judy Mayer, Caring Coordinator, by phone at 1-414-708-2579 or by email at eatsimple@gmail.com.

Miriam's Walk for Life will be held on the KML campus on Saturday, July 15, from 8:00-11:00 AM. Funds raised will benefit WELS Lutherans for Life, a cause dear to Miriam's heart. More info about the event can be found at alife2.com/miriams-walk. To help with the planning process, event organizers are looking for an estimate of attendees. Please consider filling out the interest survey at tinyurl.com/walk4life23. (By doing so, you are not obligated to attend.) Thank you! Miriam Kremer was a KML senior who strongly supported the mission of WELS Lutherans for Life until she went home to heaven in November 2022 after a three-year battle with leukemia.

Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School will be hosting various academic, fine arts, and sports camps this summer for both youth and adults. Take advantage of our quality camps! Register online and pay in one easy step! Visit kmlhs.org/camps for more details and for the online registration link.

Tickets and new shirts available for WELS Night at the Brewers Join thousands of WELS members for an evening at the ballpark on Fri., July 7, to watch the Brewers take on the Cincinnati Reds. Tickets for WELS members and guests are discounted up to 50% and are reserved all together in a block. Individual tickets can be purchased online at brewers.com/wels. Each church that purchases a group of 20 or more tickets will qualify for the opportunity to have a member from the congregation throw out a first pitch prior to the game. Don't forget to order your WELS Night at the Brewers t-shirt, with an all-new design for 2023 at welsstore.net!

Register for Taste of Missions, a hybrid event that will be held on Saturday, June 10, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon. Attend in person OR online to get a "taste of missions." Registration is \$15 per person, with children 13 and under attending for free. Those attending in person will receive food tickets to sample ethnic food and will have the ability to purchase additional food from the food trucks. Or attend virtually for free and watch all events via livestream, view additional video updates from missionaries, and try your hand at making one of the many ethnic recipes shared on the website. Learn more and register at tasteofmissions.com.

Come to the 10th Annual Veteran's Memorial Tribute Ceremony to honor the Menomonee Falls military fallen. The ceremony will be on Saturday May 27th from 10-1030 am in the Menomonee Falls Village Park on Garfield Dr. by the WWII/War Dog Monuments. Please park on Sheridan Drive. Please contact Janet Hickle at dhickle72@gmail.com if any further questions. Thank you.

WLHS Prism Concerts Wisconsin Lutheran High School presents its annual Prism concerts on Friday and Saturday, May 19 and 20, at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 21, at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. These popular concerts are a celebration of the fine arts and generally sell out quickly. Tickets go on sale Monday, May 1, and are available for online purchase here. Advance ticket sale prices are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children through grade 8. Tickets at the door are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children through grade 8; if available!

WLHS Job Opening for Controller Wisconsin Lutheran High School has a job opening for a Controller to work in the Business Office. This position is responsible for oversight of all finance, accounting and reporting activities. Previous financial experience in an educational or non-profit setting along with a Master's degree or CPA is preferred. Interested candidates should submit a resume and salary requirements to hr@wlhs.org. Ideal starting date is around July 1, 2023.

WLHS Step Team, Show Choir & Sports Summer Camp Spots Still Available Wisconsin Lutheran High School is offering Step Team and Show Choir Camp as a part of the Viking Explorer Summer Camp program. In addition, a variety of sports camps still have open spots available. Viking Explorer Summer Camps allow grade school students to explore a wide variety of activities and interests in a Christian setting. To register, visit wlhs.org/explorers.

33rd Annual Friends of Wisco Golf Outing Everyone is invited to the Friends of Wisco Annual Golf Outing on Monday, June 19, at Ironwood Golf Course, in Sussex, Wis. Cost is \$175 per person with shotgun start at 10:00 a.m. Includes: green fees, golf cart, lunch and dinner, and two drink tickets. For registration and sponsorship information visit www.wlhs.org/events. Registration is limited to the first 216 golfers. Please sign up by Friday, June 9. For registration questions, contact Becky Glass at becky.glass@wlhs.org or 414-453-4567 ext. 2291.

Spring Concert - Please join us at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School for the Spring Concert: Saturday, May 20, 6:30 PM - Featuring KML bands and choirs. For those unable to attend in person, all concerts will be livestreamed at www.kmlhs.org/stream.

KML Job Opening: Part-Time Accountant Due to the retirement of Bob Heider, KML is looking for a part-time accountant. This position is responsible for preparing, presenting, and analyzing KML's monthly and year end financial statements and managing student billing accounts. 20-25 hours per week with a flexible schedule. View a more detailed job description at www.kmlhs.org/accountant23. Please submit resumes by May 22, to Mr. Jody Hansen, Director of Operations, at jody.hansen@kmlhs.org. Questions? Call Mr. Hansen at 262.677.4051x4004.

Ushers		<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
5-14		Rick Kleszczynski	Glen Kuphall
5-21		Jim Brandt Phill Lepple Glen Kuphall	Mark Murphy Bryan Giesenschlag Carl Wolff
Greeters			
5-14 5-21		Irene Lape & Pat Knack Joe & Barb Januzzi	Joel & Jenny Raasch Joe & Marlene Bedalov
Attendance			
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GROWING · SERVING · REACHING

Together, through faithful use of God's Word, we

- Kindle spiritual growth by cultivating a relationship with God in prayer, worship and Bible study,
- Enlighten and equip people to contribute their gifts in service to God and the community, and
- Reflect the light of Jesus to our community and the world.

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