

Fifth Sunday of Easter

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023 SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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HE LIVES TO BE THE ONLY WAY TO HEAVEN

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 Aaron Winkelman Pastor Aaron Winkelman, Pastor Wade Johnston David Porth



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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just

and will forgive us our sins

and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

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In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

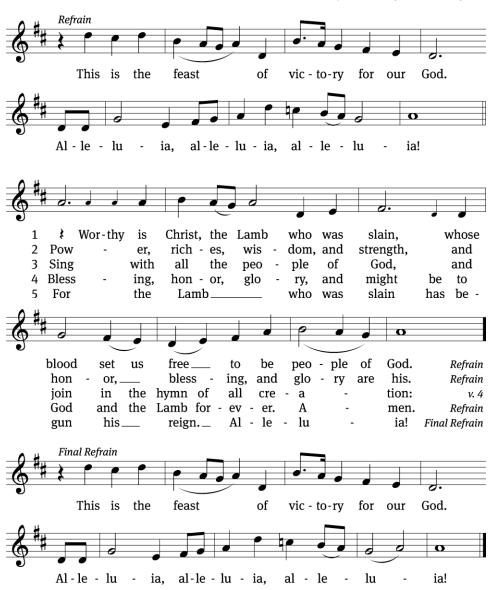
Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

This Is the Feast

CW 938 sts. Ref-5, Final Refrain



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The Word

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

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.

Be seated

First Reading Acts 4:8–12

⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! ⁹If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, ¹⁰then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. ¹¹Jesus is

" 'the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone.'

¹²Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Irish Alleluia Psalm 118B





The LORD is my strength and / my defense; he has become my sal- / vation.

The LORD's right hand is / lifted high; the LORD's right hand has done / mighty things!

I will not / die but live, and will proclaim what the / LORD has done. Refrain

I will give you thanks, for you / answered me; you have become my sal- / vation.

The stone the builders re- / jected has become the / cornerstone; the LORD has / done this, and it is marvelous / in our eyes.

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 2:4-10

⁴As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him— ⁵you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For in Scripture it says:

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"See, I lay a stone in Zion,
a chosen and precious cornerstone,
and the one who trusts in him
will never be put to shame."
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⁷Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe,

"The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,"

⁸and,

"A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.

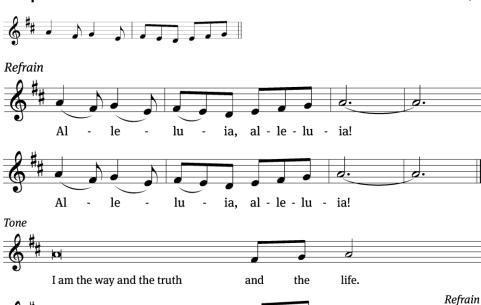
⁹But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:6



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No one comes to the Father ex

Gospel John 14:1–11

¹⁶Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. ²My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴You know the way to the place where I am going."

⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

⁶Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

⁸Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

⁹Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Do not let your hearts be trou-bled; have faith in God and faith in me. I will go forth to pre-pare a place for you; then I'll come back to take you with me, that where I am, you may al - so be.



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Sermon Acts 4:8-12

Stand

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 him all things were made.

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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory. **Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.**

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Offering

There are offering boxes available 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 online.

The Sacrament

The Bible teaches that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ, and with one another, as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. With that in mind, we invite all members of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod to come forward. If you wish to partake of the Supper with us in the future, please speak to one of the Pastors after the service. They would be happy to help you take that step.

Stand

Preface CW 199

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

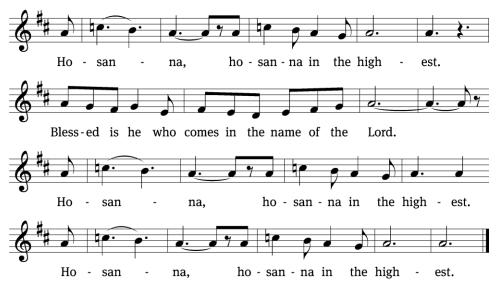
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who by his willing sacrifice on the cross took away the sins of the world and by his glorious resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:





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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and 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.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.**



Distribution

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

CW 466

- 1 Christ has arisen, alleluia.
 Rejoice and praise him, alleluia.
 For our Redeemer burst from the tomb,
 even from death, dispelling its gloom. (Refrain)
- Ref Let us sing praise to him with endless joy; death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.

 Our sin forgiving, alleluia!

 Jesus is living, alleluia!
- For three long days the grave did its worst until its strength by God was dispersed. He who gives life did death undergo, and in its conquest his might did show. (Refrain)
- The angel said to them, "Do not fear!
 You look for Jesus who is not here.
 See for yourselves the tomb is all bare,
 only the grave cloths are lying there." (Refrain)
- 4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave; he has arisen this world to save. Jesus' redeeming labors are done, even the battle with sin is won." (Refrain)
- 5 Christ has arisen; he sets us free; alleluia, to him praises be. Jesus is living! Let us all sing; he reigns triumphant, heavenly King. (Refrain)

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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Blessing

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 T give you peace.

Amen.

Be seated

He Is Arisen! Glorious Word

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News & Notes

Confirmation at Pilgrim will be held today at 2:30pm, everyone is invited! During the service the students will have examination, confirmation and their first communion. Please keep our 2023 confirmands in your prayers!

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.

Mother's Day at Pilgrim Lutheran Flowers - Greeting – Worship May 14 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Join us May 14th—with your mom or anyone who you would like to acknowledge—to worship together on Mother's Day. Women will receive a special gift of a flower and a Mother's Day greeting from our welcome team. Let's honor those who have nurtured and taught us, loved and cared for us by sharing time together at God's house.

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 and teams will be announced soon!

Menomonee Falls Library Art Show Pilgrim students have artwork displayed at the Menomonee Falls Library April 19 through May 10. Stop in to check out our artists and to check out a book!

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.

Camp Phillip Day Camp at Pilgrim The time is finally here! Sign up now for Pilgrim's Camp Phillip Day Camp, just \$50 per camper for five days of fun! Flyers with sign up information will be in the bulletins and on the narthex shelf. Sign up with the QR code on the flyer. PLEASE share the info with your family, neighbors and friends – and sign up now! Help! We can still use volunteers to help with the activities of the camp as well – call or email the office to help out with the camp! (Anyone going into Grades 7 or older can volunteer).

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.

KML Job Opening: 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 kmlhs.org/accountant23. Please submit resumes by **May 22, 2023**, to Mr. Jody Hansen, Director of Operations, at jody.hansen@kmlhs.org.

Ushers	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
5-7 5-14	Matt Lawonn Noah Vanderhoof Rick Kleszczynski Jim Brandt	Jim Prekop Mike Olson Glen Kuphall Mark Murphy
Greeters		
5-7 5-14	Dennis & Joan Schmick Irene Lape & Pat Knack	Joel & Carol Bradtke Joel & Jenny Raasch
Attendance	114 + 174 = 288	



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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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