

# Welcome

**7th Sunday of Easter**

May 29, 2022

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion



## **UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*Christ Centered - Mission Driven - Traditionally-Grounded - Congregationally Focused*

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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOGNITION OF GERALD BAME SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

A noisy offering will be collected at the beginning of service to financially assist with upcoming Congregational Domestic Mission Trip from June 5-10.

PRELUDE Toccata on “All People that on Earth Do Dwell” (Burkhardt)

*The Altar Candles are lit at this time during the Prelude.*

*The minister leads the congregation in the invocation.*

*Please stand as able.*

L Christ is Risen!

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

L In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (Matt. 28:19)

C **Amen**

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

L 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. (1 John 1:8-9)

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

L Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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**

*The minister stands and addresses the congregation.*

L In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

HYMN Alleluia, Sing to Jesus (1-3 verses)

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GREETING

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

C **And also with you.**

KYRIE (Mark 10:47)

L In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L 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.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Amen**

HYMN OF PRAISE (Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9)



☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,



al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☐ Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was



slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,



al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☐ Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and



strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.



☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,

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al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. **I** Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and  
 join in the hymn of all cre-a - tion: Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry, and  
 might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A - men.

**II** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu - ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. **III** For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu - ia.

**IV** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
 Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu - ia.

**SALUTATION** (2 Timothy 4:22)

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

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**L** Let us pray. O King of Glory and Lord of countless angels, in triumph you ascended to the highest heaven. Abandon us not to be orphans, but keep your Father's promise to send your Spirit of truth. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

*Please be seated.*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*We read scripture from the Old Testament, Apostolic Letters and the Gospels because faith comes from hearing. (Romans 10:17)*

### FIRST LESSON: Acts 1:12-26

<sup>12</sup>Then {the apostles whom Jesus had chosen} returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. <sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, <sup>16</sup>“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. <sup>17</sup>For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” <sup>18</sup>(Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. <sup>19</sup>And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) <sup>20</sup>“For it is written in the Book of Psalms, ‘May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it’; and ‘Let another take his office.’” <sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us — one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” <sup>23</sup>And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Lay Reader Here ends the reading.

### SECOND LESSON: Revelation 22:1-6, 12-20

<sup>1</sup>Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup>through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup>No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. <sup>4</sup>They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup>And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. <sup>6</sup>And he said to me, “These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has

sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place.”

<sup>12</sup>“Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. <sup>13</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” <sup>14</sup>Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. <sup>15</sup>Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood. <sup>16</sup>“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” <sup>17</sup>The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price. <sup>18</sup>I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, <sup>19</sup>and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book. <sup>20</sup>He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Lay Reader Here ends the reading.

*Please stand as you are able.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (John 6:68)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

L The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 17th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: John 17:20-26

<sup>20</sup>{Jesus said,} “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. <sup>25</sup>O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made known to them your name, and I will continue to

make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

L The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

MESSAGE The Truth Be Told

*Please stand as you are able.*

HYMN All People That On Earth Do Dwell!

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NICENE CREED (Romans 10:9-10)

C **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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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**

*\*Or, We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.*

THE PRAYERS (1 Timothy 2:1-4)

L Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

L Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

L Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

THE PEACE (John 20:19)

*In an attempt to be vigilant and responsible, please use Hand Sanitizers provided at each entrance.*

L The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C **And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19)

*The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared. All loose offering will go towards the Special Fund. During the month of May, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on SMI Haiti Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.*

ANTHEM Alleluia Sing to Jesus (Hopson) Chancel Choir

*Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERTORY (Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19)



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING (2 Timothy 4:22)

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (Isaiah 6:3 and Matthew 21:9)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

**P** In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13)

**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

*Please be seated.*

COMMUNION (Mark 14:23)

*As the minister gives the bread and wine, and says these words to each communicant:*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: Amen*

*At Union Lutheran Church the Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday. All baptized Christians who believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper are invited to commune. All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.*

*For those who prefer individually sealed units please indicate. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request.*

*Please fill out a communion card located in the pew and hand to the Usher while following their directions to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.*

AGNUS DEI (John 1:29)

**☞ 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.**

COMMUNION HYMN

Father, We Thank You

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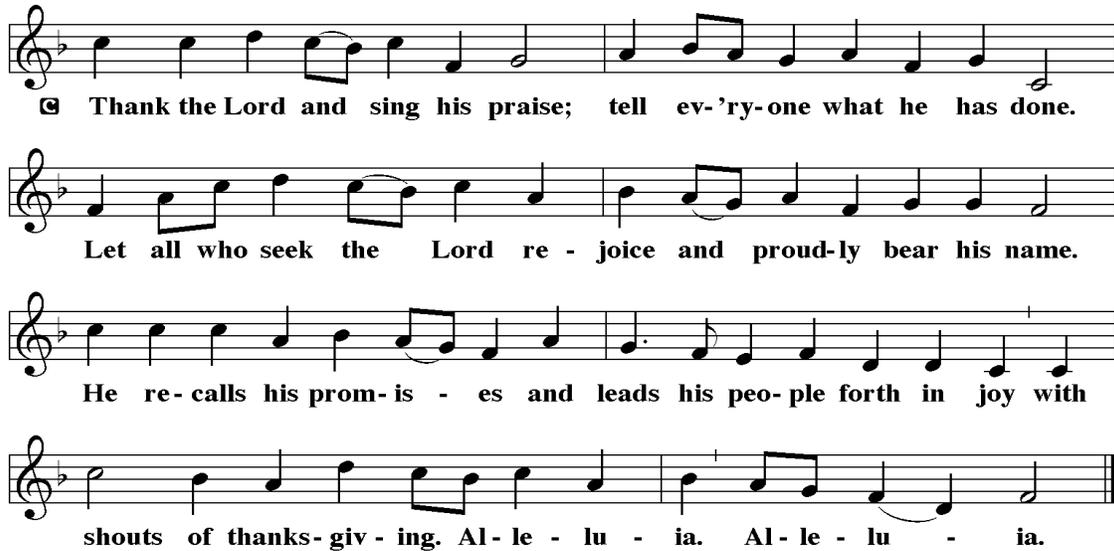
*After all have returned to their places, the minister may say these or similar words.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** Amen

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (Luke 2:29-32)



**C** Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.  
He re- calls his prom- is - es and leads his peo- ple forth in joy with  
shouts of thanks- giv - ing. Al- le - lu - ia. Al- le - lu - ia.

PRAYER

*The following or a similar post-communion prayer is said.*

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen

BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:22-27)

*The minister blesses the congregation, using this or another appropriate blessing.*

**L** 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.

**C** Amen

HYMN

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus (4-5 verses)

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THE SENDING (Matthew 28:19)

*The minister may dismiss the congregation.*

**L** You have been nurtured in Word and Sacrament now go therefore and make disciples of all nations

**C** **Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

**L** Union Lutheran Church you are sent!

**C** Amen, amen, amen

POSTLUDE

All People That on Earth Do Dwell (Janson)

*As worship concludes, we encourage you to drive through the cemetery in remembrance of our fallen veterans.*

**Next Week's Readings (Pentecost Sunday, June 5):**  
Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 143; Acts 2:1-21; John 14:23-31

*Thanks to Brad Huffman for serving as Trumpeter today and assisting the chimers on the hymns! Thank you for sharing your musical talents with us!*

**THOSE SERVING IN MAY**

**Acolytes:** Sam Nguyen and Adam Thompson

**Kyrie:** Harlem Jones

**Salutation and Prayer of the Day:** Dusty Morgan, Jr.

**First Lesson:** Caden Madden ~ **Second Lesson:** Caylea Cline

**Gospel:** Micah Nguyen

**Children's Message:** Felisaty Morgan

**Message:** Felisaty Morgan, Abbey Deaton, and Micah Nguyen

**Nicene, The Prayers, The Peace:** Dusty Morgan, Jr. and Morgan Deaton

**Offertory Prayer and Benediction:** Adam Thompson

**Communion Assistants:** Morgan Deaton, Felisaty Morgan, and Adam Thompson

**Sending:** Dusty Morgan, Jr.

**Ushers:** Caylea Cline, Abbey Deaton, Harlem Jones, and Caden Madden

**Altar Guild:** Mary Hutchens, Angie Poole, and Vivian Sprinkle

**Offering Counters:** Tara Davis, Cathy Painter, and Ronald Vellines

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