Easter VI

25 May 2025

8 & 11 am



The Liturgy at Calvary

Visions abound in the readings for the sixth Sunday of Easter. Paul has a vision about what to do. John has a vision of what will be. Jesus

provides visions of peace that surpasses human understanding and power beyond human imagination.

Prelude Sortie

Cezar Franck, 1822-1890

Please stand & face the Baptismal Font

Confession & Absolution

- P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P 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.

P 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 and self-examination.

P 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.
- P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ♣ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
- C Amen.

Please turn in place, "following" the cross

Processional *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* (ELW 834)



Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807–1876

Apostolic Greeting

- P 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





Hymn Of Praise



Prayer Of The Day



P Let us remember friends and family members who served our country in the military and have passed away.

Please sit for today's readings from scripture.

First Reading Acts 16:9-15

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67 Cantor/choir sings Refrain, all echo & sing ff. verses

Refrain





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- 1. May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us, that your way be known upon the earth, your saving health among the nations. **Refrain**
- 2. With justice and with equity you judge us, as you guide all the earth, let all praise you, and the earth shall bring forth her increase, and God, our loving God, shall bless us.

Refrain

Second Reading Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

¹⁰And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

^{22:1}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 ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But

the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

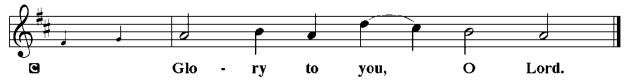
L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Holy Gospel.



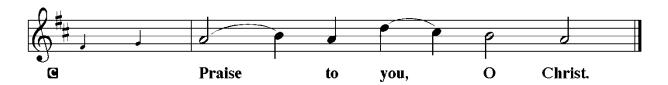
P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter



²³Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

P The Gospel of our Lord.



Sermon Intern Rebecca

Hymn Of The Day This Is My Song (ELW 887)



Text: St. 1-2, Lloyd Stone, b.1912, © 1934, Lorenz Publishing Co., st. 3, Georgia Harkness, 1891-1974, © 1964, Lorenz Publishing Co. Tune: FINLANDIA, 11 10 11 10 11 10; Jean Sibelius, 1865-1957

- A Let us profess our faith in the Triune God.
- We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker All 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 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

Prayers of Intercession

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

After each petition

A Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

Concluding with

P 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

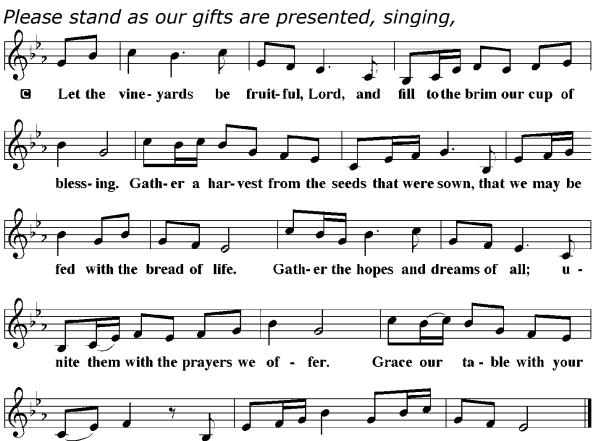
Peace

- The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace

Offertory *Beautiful Savior* Setting: David Cherwien, b. 1957





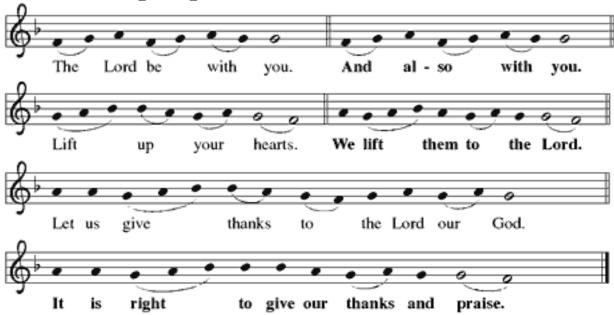
Let us pray. Merciful Father, Α

pres - ence,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first C 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

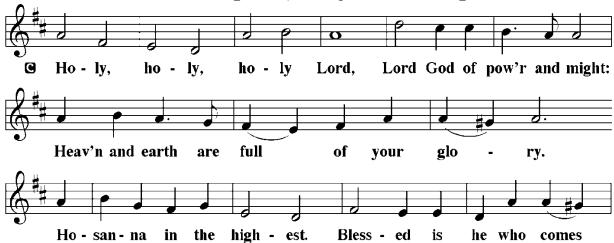
and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Great Thanksgiving



P 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 & Benedictus [*Latin, Holy & Blessed***]**



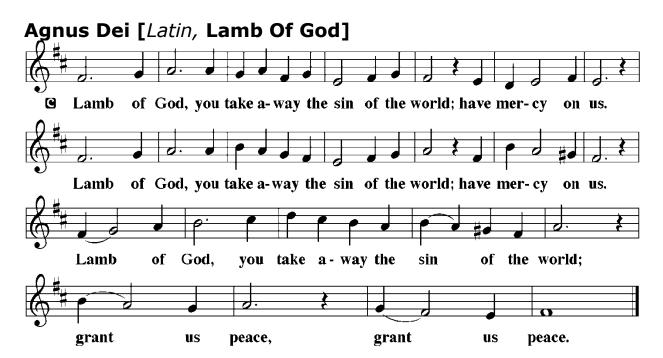


Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation



- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.
- All 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
- P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.





Holy Communion

In-Person:

We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide.

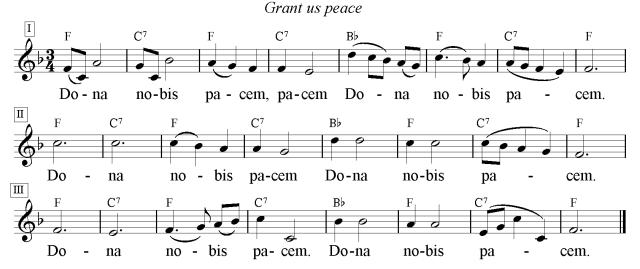
Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing:

"Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament

Dona Nobis Pacem (ELW 753)

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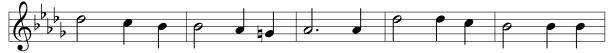


When Peace Like a River (It is Well with My Soul) (ELW 785)

When Peace, like a River



- tend eth my way; when
- When peace, like a riv er, at tend Though Sa tan should buf fet, though tri als should come, let
- 3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo ri - ous thought; my
- And Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows, like sea bil-lows, roll; lot, thou hast what - ev - er my this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my in but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I part, trum - pet shall sound and the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the



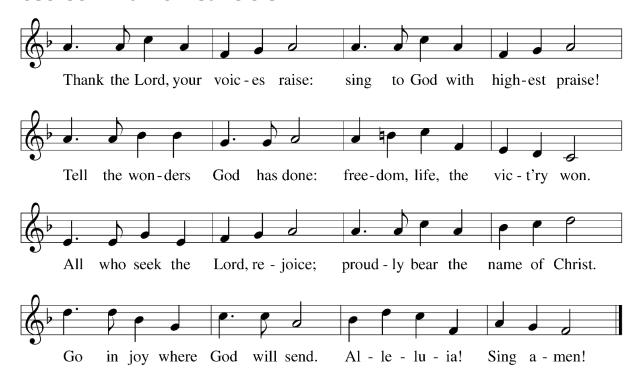
taught me it to say, is well, it is well with soul. and hath shed help - less es - tate, his own blood for my soul. no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O, my soul! Lord shall de - scend; e - ven SO it is well with my soul.



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888 Music: VILLE DU ĤAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you P and keep you in God's grace.
- C Amen

Post-Communion Canticle



Text: Martin A. Seltz, b. 1951

Music: ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR, George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

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A Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

C Amen

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor
 and ♣ give you peace.
- C Amen

Recessional My Life Flows on Endless Song (ELW 763)



- 1 My life flows on in end less song; a bove earth's lam-en ta tion,
- 2 Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.
- 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv eth.
- The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion. It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing? What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth. All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE Christ is Risen From the Dead

Setting: Iteke Prinz, b. 1937

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	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Lector	Lynn Boyk	Catherine Andejeski
Assist. Minister	Troy Mennis	Brent Anderson
Ushers & Greeters		Rick Talbot, Craig Alexander, Carmen- Day Alexander and Val Wilkerson
Altar Guild	Peggy Grubbs	Darlene Christian
Audio/Live Stream		Lauren Burkett

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Commemorations This Week

John Calvin, renewer of the church, died 1564 Tuesday, May 27, 2025

Gifted both as a systematic theologian and as an interpreter of scriptures, Calvin embraced the Reformation, and as a preacher in Geneva, Switzerland, brought a theocratic government to it. He is regarded as the father of the Reformed churches.

Jiri Tranovský, hymnwriter, died 1637 Thursday, May 29, 2025

Tranovský is considered to be the father of Slovak hymnody as well as an important reformer of the Slavic church. He translated the Augsburg Confession (the basis of Lutheran teachings) and published a collection of Slovak hymns.

Visit of Mary to Elizabeth Saturday, May 31, 2025

This festival marks the occasion when Mary, pregnant with Jesus, visited her cousin Elizabeth who was herself pregnant with John. Elizabeth pronounced Mary "blessed among women," and Mary responded with the song called the Magnificat.