Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Benediction & Threefold Amen

Closing Hymn: The Lord Now Sends Us Forth ELW #538

Dismissal P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

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Welcome! We are glad you are with us today!

"If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here. If you would like to Become a member, contact any member, or the church office."

Sunday, May 25th, 2025; 9:30 am Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Opening Hymn: Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart ELW #873

Apostolic Greeting

Call to Worship

(from Psalm 67)

- P: May God be gracious to us and bless us
- C: And make his face shine upon us;
- P: That your ways may be known on earth,
- **C:** Your salvation among all nations.
- P: May the peoples praise you, O God;
- C: May all the peoples praise you.
- P: May the nations be glad and sing for joy,
- C: For you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth.
- P: May the peoples praise you, O God;
- C: May all the peoples praise you.
- P: Then the land will yield its harvest,
- C: And God, our God, will bless us.

Prayer of the Day:

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn: Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters ELW #445

Sacrament of Holy Baptism: Wade Michael Randall

Sharing Peace

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 35: 1-10 Sylvia Benson

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus ²it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. 3 Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴ Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' ⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. ⁸ A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. ¹⁰ And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Scripture Reading: Philippians 4: 4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Special Music

Because He Lives

Ouartet

Gospel Reading:

John 15:1-11

(Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.)

(Jesus said,) "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. ⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

(Response after the conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ.)

Children's Message and Sermon

Interim Pastor John Dalen

Hymn of the Day:

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

ELW #836

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Offering Hymn:

Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW #583