

# The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022



## THE WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Rev. Scott A. Zeckzer  
Lector: Caleb Zeckzer  
Organist: Lynne Eifert  
Choir: Central Lutheran Choir, directed by Mrs. Rehwaldt (8:00)  
Handbell Choir, directed by Deb Zeckzer (10:30)  
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Acolytes: Alyssa Anderson, Julia Cobb (8:00)  
Ethan Biedess, Koen Reinhard (10:30)  
Elder: Paul Niccum  
Ushers: Group 6 (Greg Peters) (8:00)  
Group 5 (Mike Schultz) (10:30)  
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## Vision Statement

Emanuel Lutheran Church is a united and growing family of Christians joyfully dedicated to furthering God's Kingdom.

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*Divine Service IV with Communion – LSB page 203*

**WELCOME** to those visiting us this Lord’s Day. It is our joy to have you worshipping with us. We invite you to come again and worship the Lord.

**FELLOWSHIP DIRECTORY** Everyone, please sign in! We ask guests to include your address, zip code and phone number so that we may acknowledge your visit.

**AS WE GATHER** ~ The disciples thought they knew what Jesus was saying, but it was before Easter, and they could not understand. They would, “in that day,” that is, after Jesus’ victory and the Spirit’s gift of faith. Now we with them know that He has overcome the world, all opposition, and even death itself. John’s vision in Revelation depicts a perfect Jerusalem, clear and beautiful, with the Lamb as its lamp. Anticipating such nearness of God, in this our day we can pray, asking for whatever we need, confident of our Father’s hearing. In the Reading from Acts, Paul has to tell everyone about his Easter joy, and the Lord opens Lydia’s heart. She is baptized and opens her home for Paul and Luke to use to tell others. With the clarity of our Spirit-given Easter joy, we know, pray, and tell!

**PRELUDE** (8:00) *Canon of Peace (Honore)*  
(10:30) *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (Powell)*

## GREETING AND RINGING OF THE BELLS

♪ **OPENING HYMN** ↓ *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia* **LSB 463**  
**Christ the Lord is ris’n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!**  
**Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! At the paschal victim’s feet. Alleluia!**

**For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! Sinless in the sinner’s stead. Alleluia!**  
**Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!**

**Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia! God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!**  
**When contending death and life, Alleluia! Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!**

**Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia! All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!**  
**Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!**

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## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ~ Page 203 ↑

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**People: Amen.** (Matthew 28:19)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**People: who made heaven and earth.** (Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
**People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** (Psalm 130:3-4)

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God be merciful to me, a sinner.

**People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.** (John 20:19-23)

## INTROIT FOR THE DAY ↑

Pastor: Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved. (Psalm 55:22)

Pastor: My heart is in anguish within me;  
**People: the terrors of death have fallen upon me.**

Pastor: But I call to God,  
**People: and the Lord will save me.**

Pastor: Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan,  
**People: and he hears my voice.**

Pastor: He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage,  
**People: for many are arrayed against me.** (Psalm 55:4, 16-18)

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Pastor: Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved. (Psalm 55:22)

♪ **KYRIE ~ Page 204 ↑**

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.** (Mark 10:47)

♪ **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ Page 204 ↑**

**To God on high be glory and peace to all the earth;  
Good-will from God in heaven proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing --  
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten, the Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus; receive our heart-felt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated at God's right hand on high --**

**For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever, be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.** (Luke 2:14; John 1:29)

**COLLECT OF THE DAY ↑**

Pastor: The Lord be with you. (Ruth 2:4)

**People: And also with you.** (Luke 1:28)

Pastor: Let us pray.  
O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**FIRST READING ↓**

**Acts 16:9-15 (ESV)**

<sup>9</sup>A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the

vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM ↓ (8:00)**

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord; make a joyful noise unto the Lord!  
Sing it loud and clear for all the world to hear! Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!  
Sing joy unto the Lord! Come before His presence with a song of grateful praise!  
Singing, "Glory hallelujah! Hallelujah!" Come before His presence with a song!  
Sing joy unto the Lord! Surely the Lord, He is God; it is He that hath made us, not we ourselves; let us rejoice! Let us sing! Sing praises to our God and King!

**EPISTLE READING ↓**

**Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27 (ESV)**

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— <sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

<sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

<sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup>and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

♪ ALLELUIA and VERSE ~ Page 205 ↑

(John 20:31)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, these things are written that you may believe  
That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL READING ↑

John 16:23-33 (ESV)

Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup>[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. <sup>24</sup>Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

<sup>25</sup>“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

<sup>29</sup>His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

Lector: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

♪ HYMN OF THE DAY ↓ *Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice* (v.1-4) *LSB 556*

**Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice, with exultation springing,  
And with united heart and voice and holy rapture singing,  
Proclaim the wonders God has done, how His right arm the vict'ry won.  
What price our ransom cost Him!**

**Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay; death brooded darkly o'er me.  
Sin was my torment night and day; in sin my mother bore me.  
But daily deeper still I fell; my life became a living hell,  
So firmly sin possessed me.**

**My own good works all came to naught, no grace or merit gaining;  
Free will against God's judgment fought, dead to all good remaining.  
My fears increased till sheer despair left only death to be my share;  
The pangs of hell I suffered.**

**But God had seen my wretched state before the world's foundation,  
And mindful of His mercies great, He planned for my salvation.  
He turned to me a father's heart; He did not choose the easy part  
But gave His dearest treasure.**

SERMON ↓

*Joyfully ...*

♪ HYMN OF THE DAY ↓ *Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice* (v.5-10) *LSB 556*

**God said to His beloved Son: “It's time to have compassion.  
Then go, bright jewel of My crown, and bring to all salvation.  
From sin and sorrow set them free; slay bitter death for them that they  
May live with You forever.”**

**The Son obeyed His Father's will, was born of virgin mother;  
And God's good pleasure to fulfill, He came to be my brother.  
His royal pow'r disguised He bore; a servant's form, like mine, He wore  
To lead the devil captive.**

**To me He said: “Stay close to Me, I am your rock and castle.  
Your ransom I Myself will be; for you I strive and wrestle.  
For I am yours, and you are Mine, and where I am you may remain;  
The foe shall not divide us.**

“Though he will shed My precious blood, me of my life bereaving,  
 All this I suffer for your good; be steadfast and believing.  
 Life will from death the vict’ry win; My innocence shall bear your sin,  
 And you are blest forever.

“Now to My Father I depart, from earth to heav’n ascending,  
 And, heav’nly wisdom to impart, the Holy Spirit sending;  
 In trouble He will comfort you and teach you always to be true  
 And into truth shall guide you.

“What I on earth have done and taught guide all your life and teaching;  
 So shall the kingdom’s work be wrought and honored in your preaching.  
 But watch lest foes with base alloy the heav’nly treasure should destroy;  
 This final word I leave you.”

#### NICENE CREED ~ Page 206 ↑

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH ↑

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)



We welcome the opportunity to explain what we believe, teach and confess regarding the Lord’s Supper. In order not to impose those beliefs on you, we ask that if you are not a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, you would speak with a Pastor before receiving Holy Communion.

#### PREFACE ~ Page 208 ↑

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly meet, right and salutary.....evermore praising you and saying:

#### ♪ SANCTUS ~ Page 208 ↑

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored:**

**Heav’n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.**

**Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;**

**Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING ~ Page 209 ↑

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**LORD'S PRAYER ~ Page 209 ↑**

(Matthew 6:9-13)

**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.**

**WORDS OF OUR LORD ~ Page 209 ↑**

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and, when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**PAX DOMINI ~ Page 209 ↑**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **Amen.**

(John 20:19)

**♪ AGNUS DEI ~ Page 210 ↑**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;**

**Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, and grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

(John 1:29)

**♪ DISTRIBUTION ↓ (8:00) *Hark the Voice* (Eithun)  
*Jerusalem the Golden***

**LSB 672**

**Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest –**

**The promise of salvation, the place of peace and rest –**

**We know not, oh, we know not what joys await us there:**

**The radiancy of glory, the bliss beyond compare!**

**Within those walls of Zion sounds forth the joyful song,**

**As saints join with the angels and all the martyr throng.**

**The Prince is ever with them; the daylight is serene;**

**The city of the blessed shines bright with glorious sheen.**

**Around the throne of David, the saints, from care released,  
Raise loud their songs of triumph to celebrate the feast.  
They sing to Christ their leader, who conquered in the fight,  
Who won for them forever their gleaming robes of white.**

**O sweet and blessed country, the home of God's elect!  
O sweet and blessed country that faithful hearts expect!  
In mercy, Jesus, bring us to that eternal rest  
With You and God the Father and Spirit, ever blest.**

*Awake, My Heart, with Gladness***LSB 467**

**Awake, my heart, with gladness, see what today is done;  
Now, after gloom and sadness, comes forth the glorious sun.  
My Savior there was laid where our bed must be made  
When to the realms of light our spirit wings its flight.**

**The foe in triumph shouted when Christ lay in the tomb;  
But lo, he now is routed, his boast is turned to gloom.  
For Christ again is free; in glorious victory  
He who is strong to save has triumphed o'er the grave.**

**This is a sight that gladdens – what peace it doth impart!  
Now nothing ever saddens the joy within my heart.  
No gloom shall ever shake, no foe shall ever take  
The hope which God's own Son in love for me has won.**

**Now hell, its prince, the devil, of all their pow'r are shorn;  
Now I am safe from evil, and sin I laugh to scorn.  
Grim death with all its might cannot my soul affright;  
It is a pow'rless form, howe'er it rave and storm.**

**The world against me rages, its fury I disdain;  
Though bitter war it wages, its work is all in vain.  
My heart from care is free, no trouble troubles me.  
Misfortune now is play, and night is bright as day.**

**Now I will cling forever to Christ, my Savior true;  
My Lord will leave me never, whate'er He passes through.  
He rends death's iron chain; He breaks through sin and pain;  
He shatters hell's grim thrall; I follow Him through all.**

He bring me to the portal that leads to bliss untold,  
Whereon this rhyme immortal is found in script of gold:  
“Who there My cross has shared finds here a crown prepared;  
Who there with Me has died shall here be glorified.”

*Baptismal Waters Cover Me*

*LSB 616*

Baptismal waters cover me as I approach on bended knee;  
My Father’s mercy here I plead, for grievous sins of thought and deed.

I look to Christ upon the tree, His body broken there for me;  
I lay before Him all my sin, my darkest secrets from within.

Lord, may Your wounded hand impart Your healing to my broken heart;  
Your love alone can form in me a heart that serves You joyfully.

From Your own mouth comes forth a word; Your shepherd speaks, but You are heard;  
Through him Your hand now stretches out, forgiving sin, destroying doubt.

Baptismal waters cover me; Christ’s wounded hand has set me free.  
Held in my Father’s strong embrace, with joy I praise Him for His grace.

**BLESSING ~ Page 210 ↑**

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in  
body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

People: Amen.

♪ **NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Page 211 ↑**

O Lord, now let Your servant depart in heav’nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father, all glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit, forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning, is now, shall ever be,  
God’s triune name resounding through all eternity.

**COLLECT ~ Page 212 ↑**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast  
to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son’s body and blood. Keep us firm in  
the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His  
coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of  
the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now  
and forever.

People: Amen.

**THE BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION ~ Page 212 ↑**

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

(Numbers 6:24-26)

♪ **CLOSING HYMN ↑**

*He’s Risen, He’s Risen*

*LSB 480*

**He’s risen, He’s risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;  
He opened death’s prison, the incarnate, true Word.  
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song  
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.**

**The foe was triumphant when on Calvary  
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.  
In Satan’s domain did the hosts shout and jeer,  
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.**

**But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,  
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.  
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;  
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.**

**O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;  
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden’s door.  
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;**

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Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;

Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.

Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:

With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.

POSTLUDE

*He's Risen, He's Risen* (Blersch)



*Next Sunday, May 29, our summer worship schedule begins. Services will be held on Saturday at 5:00 p.m., and Sunday mornings at 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.*