The Fifth Sunday of Easter The Sunday of Prayer May 5, 2024



INTROIT - Ps. 66:1-2a, 17, 19-20; antiphon: Is. 48:20b

Antiphon

[With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alleluia.

The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alleluia.

- P Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name.
- I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue.
- P But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- Blessèd be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!
- 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.

Antiphon

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

SERVICE OUTLINE

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Numbers 21:4-9

⁴[In those days:] From Mount Hor the children of Israel set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. 5And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." 6Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." 9So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

James 1:22-27

²²[Dearly Beloved:] Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. ²⁴For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. ²⁵But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

²⁶If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

John 16:23b-30

²³[At that time Jesus said to His disciples:] Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵"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. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

²⁹His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now 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."



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Sunday of Prayer

May 5, 2024



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Liturgy	Divine Service, Setting One, p. 151
Opening Hymn	771 Be Still, My Soul, before the Lord
Sermon Hymn	958 Our Father Who Art in Heaven
Distribution Hymns	549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
	770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus
Closing Hymn	805 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



THE LORD'S SUPPER is being celebrated today. Trinity Lutheran upholds the Scriptural practice of Closed Communion. God's Word teaches the real presence of Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. It also teaches that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (see 1 Cor. 11:27-29) and that Holy Communion is a confession of what is taught and believed at this altar (1 Cor. 11:26). Therefore, for your own spiritual welfare, if you are not yet instructed, in doubt, or if you hold a confession differing from that of this congregation (that is, belong to another church body or denomination), and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, you are asked to first speak with the pastor.

SUPPORT TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

We're so happy that you are here today and want you to feel at home. We know what it can feel like for you, the parents, and want you to know it's OK!

- First, Jesus was a little kid once, too; and He knows they tend to wiggle
 and squawk a bit (or a lot!). Please don't feel embarrassed by it. We love
 all our kids and all the fun noises they make.
- As we go, gently explain the Service to your children. Encourage them to chime at their parts: Amen! And with your spirit! I believe! Our Father!
- The best way to teach is to do, so be sure to sing and pray your parts also. They're following your lead.
- We've got plenty of parents who have been in your spot, and plenty in it now. Please ask for any help you need. We're glad to lend you a hand.

EVENTS AND INFO

WEDNESDAY COMMUNION SERVICE 6:30PM

Ephesians 4:7-13; John 17:1-11 #477 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

This service offers a second opportunity for worship during the week and an alternate for those who can't make a Sunday.

- MEETING FOR ARK & CREATION MUSEUM TRIP: For those who are planning to attend this trip on June 16-18, we will have a meeting today after the service. We will meet in the Parish Hall and discuss a number of logistical items. If you can't make the meeting, please let Diana Uphoff or Pastor Boehne know.
- INFORMATION LUNCH MAY 19: The Trinity Life Team invites all the congregation to sign up in the narthex for a lunch and speaker on May 19 after the Divine Service. The topic is Hospice and End of Life Care from a Biblical Perspective. Speaker is Deaconess Brenda Scarbeary from Roanoke who works for a Christian Hospice provider. Please come!
- ORGAN & SOUND SYSTEM
 UPDATE: We voted to purchase a
 Rodgers 351 organ from Watson
 Organ Company. The organ is
 ordered!! Expected lead time is 3 to 4
 months. We praise God for all the
 generous gifts given so that this
 project is paid in full.
- RHUBARB: If anyone has extra rhubarb, please see Denise Iskrzycki.
 We can use it for the delicious strawberry rhubarb pies at the Corn Festival.

- NEW BIBLE STUDIES: On Wednesday mornings at 9am, we've just started the book of James (having finished Matthew). Everyone is welcome to join us. On Sunday mornings at 9am in the Parish Hall, we will be starting a new study on the Augsburg Confession & Apology starting May 19. This is your chance to learn more and dig deeper into our Lutheran Confessions!!
- SAVE THE DATE: VBS is set for June 3-7. Children 3 yrs- 5th grade are welcome to attend. Cookie sign up will be posted in May. We will need preschool teachers and group leaders. See Kathy Faulk or Carla Skare if you are willing to help. Registration forms are available on our website.
- HIGHER THINGS YOUTH RETREAT: We're excited to have five youth and three adults going to Concordia University in Mequon, WI on June 25-28 for a Higher Things Youth Retreat. The theme is "Who Am I" based on Isaiah 49:16, "Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of My hands." Much of the retreat will focus our identity in Christ as children of God.
- PASTOR BOEHNE: For your information, I will be gone most of Monday and Tuesday for a pastors retreat at Camp Cilca. Then my family and I will be leaving Saturday morning for Carbondale for a nephew's graduation and will return Monday afternoon. As always, if you need anything at all please call my cell phone. (Pastor Jensen will be filling in for me on Sunday, May 12.)

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

TODAY	9:00am 10:00am	Sunday School and Bible Study Divine Service with Holy Communion
MONDAY	8:30am 9:00am	Preschool Quilting Ladies
TUESDAY	8:30am	Preschool
WEDNESDAY	8:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:30pm	Preschool <i>(Chapel at 8:45)</i> Bible Study (Parish Hall) Bible Study at El Paso Health Care Evening Service with Holy Communion
THURSDAY	8:30am	Preschool (Chapel at 8:45)
FRIDAY	8:30am	Preschool
SUNDAY	9:00am 10:00am	Sunday School and Bible Study Divine Service with Holy Communion

PASTOR BOEHNE'S SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

M: Bible Study Wenona AM; Pastors Retreat Cilca

T: Pastors Retreat Camp Cilca

W: Bible Studies in AM; Office/Church at 6:30

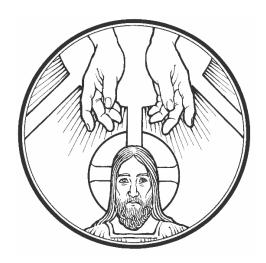
Th: Office All Day
F: Office All Day
S: Family Day



THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor	Rev. Jonathan P. Boehne
Elder	Dennis Hocker
Organist	Valerie Boehne
	Kevin Skare & Jon Fehr
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SERMON ON JOHN 16:23B-30



"BECAUSE GOD SAYS SO"

Prayer begins, continues, and ends with God.

Introduction - Why don't you pray more?

John 16:23 "Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full."

Prayer's Beginning - God's Invitation

Psalm 50:15 "Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

1 Thess. 5:17-18 "Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

Isaiah 65:24 "Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear."

Matthew 6:6 "When you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you."

Prayer's Beginning - God's List to Pray For

(Lord's Prayer) Matthew 6:9 "Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven..." (Prayer for forgiveness of sins, strength against temptation and evil, daily bread, holiness, faithfulness, etc.)

(Holy Spirit) Luke 11:13 "If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

(Wisdom) James 1:5 "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach..."

(The Sick) James 5:13-14 "Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him..."

(Rulers) 1 Timothy 2:1-2 "I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions."

(Enemies) Matthew 5:44 "Pray for those who persecute you."

(many more could be listed here...)

Prayer's Continuing - God's grace

Luke 18:1 "Jesus told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart."

Romans 8:26 "The Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words."

Prayer's Ending – (Amen)

2 Cor. 1:20-22 "For all the promises of God find their Yes in [Jesus]. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory. And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee."

2 Timothy 4:18 "The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen."

Jude 24-25 "Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen."

Psalm 121:4 "Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep."

Prayer Top Ten (from Pastor Boehne's view)

- 1. Start with God's Word first, then pray. (Listen first, then talk.)
- 2. Keep a Prayer List (in phone or on paper) with an outline of your daily prayers and all the names of people you're praying for
- 3. Pray at the same times every day (habit is big!)
- 4. Pray periodically through the day (quick, short prayers as needed)
- 5. Say the Lord's Prayer every day
- 6. To learn to pray better, read the Psalms as much as possible
- 7. Pray with others (family, church, etc.)
- 8. Keep your devotion items in the same place all the time ready to go
- 9. If you get off track or out of the habit, simply start again and start again and start again
- 10. Remember that your prayers will never be "perfect". God listens because He loves you as His child in Jesus.



NEXT SUNDAY - May 12, 2024

Sunday of the Ascension of Jesus

2 Kings 2:8-15; Acts 1:1-11; Mark 16:14-20

Hymns: 493, 492, 542, 563, 525

40 days after Easter Jesus ascended into heaven. The official date will be this Thursday but we will observe His ascension and celebrate it next Sunday during our Divine Service.





PRAYER LIST

† Nancy Eichelberger

† Nick Cargill (cancer – cousin of Amy Whisker)

Evangeline Crump

Roger Fredrickson (friend of Todd Johnson)

Linda Hocker

Ethan Jeffreys (cancer)

Bev Jones (cancer)

Francee Kasten (cancer - niece of Jeanne Brennan & friend of Boehnes)

Brian Kurz (cancer)

Teresa Lehr (cancer - sister to Dave Lehr)

Erika, stepdaughter of Rhonda (Phillis) Martin

- † For those who do not know and believe in Jesus Christ as Savior
- † For our nation & leaders; for our police & emergency services
- † Military: Adam Burton 3051 Albacore Circle K18, Silverdale, WA 98315 Michael Kearney (LCMS Chaplain from El Paso) Shelby Oertwig (Grandson of Connie Wills) John Richardson (nephew of Valerie Boehne)
- † Rev. Matthew Harrison, Synod Pres.; Rev. Michael Mohr, District Pres
- † Trinity Lutheran Preschool, Michelle Wahls & Linda Haas

DAILY READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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May 5	Num. 3:1-16, 39-48	Luke 14:25—15:10
	Num. 4:1—8:4	
May 6	Num. 8:5-26	Luke 15:11-32
May 7	Num. 9:1-23	Luke 16:1-18
May 8	Num. 10:11-36	Luke 16:19-31
May 9	Num. 11:1-23, 31-35	Luke 17:1-19
May 10	Num. 11:24-29; 12:1-16	Luke 17:20-37
May 11	Num. 13:1-3, 17-33	Luke 18:1-17
May 12	Num. 14:1-25	Luke 18:18-34