

May 18, 2025

Welcome

The Hymn of Invocation

830 Spread the Reign of God the Lord

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| 1 | Spread the reign of God the Lord,
Spoken, written, mighty Word;
Ev'rywhere His creatures call
To His heav'nly banquet hall. | 5 | Enter, mighty Word, the field;
Ripe the promise of its yield.
But the reapers, oh, how few
For the work there is to do! |
| 3 | Tell of our Redeemer's grace,
Who, to save our human race
And to pay rebellion's price,
Gave Himself as sacrifice. | 6 | Lord of harvest, great and kind,
Rouse to action heart and mind;
Let the gath'ring nations all
See Your light and heed Your call. |

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This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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

Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near to God with a pure heart for "if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not with us.

But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Kyrie.....*sung to: Amazing Grace*
Have mercy on your people, Lord. Have mercy, Christ, our King;
Renew us by your mercy, Lord; Accept the prayers we bring.

(Silence for prayers of confession.)

Let us then confess all our sins to God our Father.
Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. 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.

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 the Word I therefore announce the full forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Hymn of Praise*sung to: Crown Him with Many Crowns*
Glory to God on high, and to the earth God's peace!
With thanks God's name we glorify; let gladsome praise increase!
With angel hosts we sing your holy name to bless,
Almighty Father, heav'nly King, enthroned in holiness.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray: Almighty God, grant that we may confidently obey Jesus command to make disciples as we go about our daily lives for we know that He sits at your right hand and you have put everything under His feet and He rules according to Your will; for He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Peter 2:11-12 & 3:14-15

Dear friends, I urge you... to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul. Live such good lives among the pagans...that they may see your good deeds and glorify God...do not fear what they fear, do not be frightened but in your heart set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who ask you to give reasons for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect....

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Verse.....*sung to: Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow*

Alleluia! Oh, praise the Lord! Forever be God's name adored!

Alleluia! God's saving Word Throughout the earth in faith be heard!

The Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Object Lesson

The Hymn of the Day

835 On Galilee's High Mountain

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| 1 On Galilee's high mountain
Christ gave the great command
In words of strength and promise
Which all can understand:
"All pow'r to Me is given
To do what I shall choose;
Therefore I send My children,
Their witness I will use." | 2 The Lord who, born of Mary,
Came down as man and died,
Who preached to all who listened,
For us was crucified—
This Lord, our living brother,
In pow'r at God's right hand,
Has chosen us to carry
His truth to ev'ry land. |
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4 And not alone to nations
In faraway retreats,
But ev'rywhere I broadcast
His love through crowded streets:
The lives that my life touches,
However great or small—
Let them through me see Jesus,
Who served and saved us all.

5 That ev'ryone He chooses,
For reasons of His own,
Will find in Christ his calling
To live His love alone.
His presence always leads us
Till time no more shall be;
Christ's strength, His love, His comfort
Give us His victory.

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Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers *[If you need information to send a card or call to someone for whom we prayed, please contact Pastor John.]*

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 prayer)

Lord in Your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray:

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.

Our offerings help to support:
The Our Center

Offertory*sung to: We Give You But Your Own*
We give you but your own In any gift we bring;
All that we have is yours alone, A trust from you, our king.
May we your bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, Lord, as you bless us, To you our first-fruits give.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Always and everywhere praise and thanksgiving are due to you, holy Lord, God of power and might! Today we are chiefly bound to praise you for the promises fulfilled in Jesus Christ; sin is forgiven, death is defeated, life is restored both now and forevermore, therefore the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven join in their unending hymn:

The Sanctus *sung to: Holy, Holy, Holy*
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Day and night we join to praise Your love and majesty.
You alone are holy, worthy and righteous.
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Through Jesus Christ, your beloved we give you thanks, heavenly Father for the love with which you loved the world, for the salvation you prepared for us through Jesus Christ, for the Holy Spirit sent into our hearts and into our midst, that we may receive and share our living Lord with living faith.

Amen.

Jesus' Directions for Communion

The Peace

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

The Agnus Dei *sung to: My Faith Looks up to Thee*
O Lamb of God, we pray: Take all our sins away—
Our faith increase, Have mercy on us all,
Strengthen us when we fall,
Answer our fervent call And grant us peace.

Distribution of Communion

[If your body does not tolerate alcohol, the back row of the individual cups are grape juice.]

The Distribution Hymns

832 Jesus Shall Reign

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| 1 | Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
Till moons shall wax and wane no more. | 3 | People and realms of ev'ry tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name. |
| 2 | To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And endless praises crown His head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With ev'ry morning sacrifice. | 4 | Blessings abound where'er He reigns:
The pris'ners leap, unloose their chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all who suffer want are blest. |

5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
Honors peculiar to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen.

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868 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

1 Awake, my soul, and with the sun Thy daily stage of duty run; Shake off dull sloth and joyful rise To pay thy morning sacrifice.	4 Lord, I my vows to Thee renew; Disperse my sins as morning dew; Guard my first springs of thought and will And with Thyself my spirit fill.
2 In conversation be sincere, Thy conscience as the noonday clear; Think how the_all-seeing God thy ways And all thy secret thoughts surveys.	5 Direct, control, suggest this day All I design or do or say That all my pow'rs with all their might In Thy sole glory may unite.
3 All praise to Thee, who safe hast kept And hast refreshed me while I slept; Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake, I may of endless light partake.	6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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The body and blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the faith to life everlasting. Go in peace.

Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle.....*sung to: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

Thank the Lord, His praises voicing, for His promised faithfulness!
All who seek the Lord, rejoicing, tell His love, His name confess.
Praise the Father, Son and Spirit, Living God, who sets us free
By His mercy to inherit life and joy eternally!

Post-Communion Prayer

We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this good gift, and we implore you that of your mercy you would strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Benediction

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.

Amen.

The Final Hymn

837 Lift High the Cross

ref Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.

1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain

4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee. Refrain

- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain
- 6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

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Server Schedule

	5/18	5/25	6/1
	8:30	8:30	9:30
Elder	Edwin	Herold	Bill
Reader	Dianna	Amy	Nanette
PowerPoint	Shirley	Wanda	Lisa
Organ	Linda	Linda	Linda
Audio	Steve	Preston	Steve
Visuals	Benjamin	Edwin	Greg
	10:30	10:30	
Elder	Erik	Gordon	
Reader	Rosemary	Kathy	
PowerPoint	Cole	Lisa	
Audio/Visuals	Vicki/Conor	Hayden/Donovan	
Counters	John Di/Wayne	Adria/Michelle	
	Both	Both	
Altar Guild	Monika/Inge	Williams/Koob	Royce/Paula
Altar Flowers	Spachts	Ehlers	Prossers

Altar flowers are donated by Jon and Wanda Spacht, in memory of their mothers.

Birthdays this Week

05/18 Mary Ann Huston
05/19 Samantha Hogness
05/24 Mick Meszaros

Anniversaries this Week

05/24 Gordon & Lisa Ehler