

May 14, 2017



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**ROGATE**

## PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

### Psalm 146

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

While I live I will praise the Lord;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Do not put your trust in princes,

Nor in a son of man, in whom there is no help.

His spirit departs, he returns to his earth;

In that very day his plans perish.

Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help,

Whose hope is in the Lord his God,

Who made heaven and earth,

The sea, and all that is in them;

Who keeps truth forever,

Who executes justice for the oppressed,

Who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord gives freedom to the prisoners.

The Lord opens the eyes of the blind;

The Lord raises those who are bowed down;

The Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord watches over the strangers;

He relieves the fatherless and widow;

But the way of the wicked He turns upside down.

The Lord shall reign forever—

Your God, O Zion, to all generations.

Praise the Lord!

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

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Pastor Matthew Ude  
Organists: Barry Hay & Ann Springler

HYMN 188 — Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!

## INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

c  A-men.


## CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and  
confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the  
Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.


c Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

c  A-men.

c  Lord, have mercy on us.  
Christ, have mercy on us.  
Lord, have mercy on us.

Hymn 799 – This is the feast of victory for our God  
Music in insert

c  This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.  
This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,  
And honor, blessing, and glory are His  
This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, and glory, and might be  
to God and the Lamb forever. Amen  
This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain  
has begun his reign. Alleluia.  
This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

p Let us pray O God, from whom all good things come, grant to us, Your humble servants, that by Your holy inspiration we may think those things that be right and by Your merciful guiding may perform the same; through Jesus Christ your son, our Lord, who lives, and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, one God, forevermore.

c  A-men.

## THE WORD

**Acts 6:1-9** Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, “It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word.”

And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them.

Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the people. Then there arose some from what is called the Synagogue of the Freedmen (Cyrenians, Alexandrians, and those from Cilicia and Asia), disputing with Stephen.

**51-60** “You stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears! You always resist the Holy Spirit; as your fathers did, so do you. Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who foretold the coming of the Just One, of whom you now have become the betrayers and murderers, who have received the law by the direction of angels and have not kept it.”

When they heard these things they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed at him with their teeth. But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and said, “Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!”

Then they cried out with a loud voice, stopped their ears, and ran at him with one accord; and they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their clothes at the feet of a young man named Saul. And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, “Lord, do not charge them with this sin.” And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

**1 Peter 2:2-10** as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, you also, as living stones, are being built

up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture,

“Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame.”

Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient,

“The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone,” and “A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense.”

They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!

c  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written that we may believe  
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



## THE APOSTLES' CREED

all I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is  
seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From  
there 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.

HYMN 198 — He's Risen, He's Risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord

## SERMON

**John 14:1-14** “Let not your heart be troubled; you  
believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father’s

house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. And where I go you know, and the way you know.”

Thomas said to Him, “Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?”

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

“If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him.”


Philip said to Him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us.”

Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe

that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me?  
The words that I speak to you I do not speak on  
My own authority; but the Father who dwells in  
Me does the works. Believe Me that I am in the  
Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me  
for the sake of the works themselves.


“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes  
in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and  
greater works than these he will do, because I  
go to My Father. And whatever you ask in My  
name, that I will do, that the Father may be  
glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in  
My name, I will do it.


## LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED

- c  Create in me a clean heart,  
O God. Renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Your presence.  
Take not Your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of Your salvation.  
Uphold me with Your free Spirit.

HYMN 201 — Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

## OFFERING AND OFFERING HYMN: 441 VS. 1-2

c  We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate'er the gift may be  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

c  May we Thy bounties thus  
As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,  
To Thee our first fruits give!

## PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

c  A-men A-men A-men.

Hymn 207:5,6 – Like the Golden Sun Ascending

# Calendar:

## TODAY 5/14

Mother's Day

9 am Worship Service

Bible Class and Sunday School following the service

## MONDAY 5/15

7pm Monday Night Worship Service

Last Day for Pizza Orders

## TUESDAY 5/16

3:30pm Women of Faith

6:30pm Faith Alive Bible Class

## WEDNESDAY 5/17

4pm Confirmation Class

## THURSDAY 5/18

10:30am Faith Alive Bible Class

## SATURDAY 5/20

10:30am Confirmation Practice

## SUNDAY 5/21

Confirmation Sunday

9 am Worship Service

## ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week:

Team #3: Darwin Kelm, John Cossman

Next Week:

Team #4: Wayne Draeger, David Draeger

## MAY USHERS:

Sundays: Dave Dillie, Paul Eserhut, Kent Quade, Drew Muehlenhaupt

Mondays and the 25th: Greg Jones, Bob Kirst, Matt Dumke, Joe Brown

## FRUITS OF FAITH LAST WEEK

Attendance: 74 / 16

General Fund: \$3707

Mission Fund: \$575

# Announcements:

## GUESTS AND VISITORS

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today and return to worship with us often.

## WIRELESS HEADPHONES

Wireless headphones are available during the service for anyone who might be having difficulty hearing. Ask an usher for help if you would like a set.

## CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Next council meeting was moved to June 20th because of General Pastoral Conference

Sherman Carstsen will be doing the Ascension Service on May 25th

Stefan Sonnenfeld will be filling in for the service on May 28th

We need two delegates for delegates conference in Coloma, MI

## DELEGATES CONFERENCE

Delegates Conference is June 5th and 6th. Faith Lutheran Church needs two delegates to go as their representatives. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet other christians from the Great Lakes area. Please talk to Martin Hansen if you are interested.

## CHURCH PICNIC JUNE 4TH

School board will provide meat, buns, condiments and plates.

Members should bring a dish to pass around (salad, chips, fruit, desert etc)

## PIZZA ORDERS

May 15th is the LAST DAY to get in pizza orders.

The Faith Lutheran School students will be making pizza to help raise money for their basketball team. If you would like a pizza you can sign up on the bulletin board near the front door. Payments can be put in Abby Quade's box.

## LUTHERAN SPOKESMAN

The Lutheran Spokesman annual renewal is due. Those who currently have an annual subscription will find a renewal form in their box, if you do not currently have a subscription and would like to begin one you can find a form on the shelf near the entrance to the sacristy. In either case fill out the form and return it with a check made out to "Lutheran Spokesman" to the pastor's box.

The Lutheran Spokesman is currently offering a reduced price of \$12 to return subscribers half off, \$6, its annual subscription to new subscribers, as long as you subscribe before June 30th. After June 30th the rate will return to \$15 annual subscription.

## UPCOMING DATES:

May 21st is confirmation Sunday

May 24th to May 31st pastor will be gone.

May 25th is Ascension, Faith Lutheran will be having a lay service @ 7pm

May 26th Last Day of School

May 28th Stefan Sonnenfeld will be the guest preacher

June 5,6 Delegates Conference

June 13-15 CLC General Pastoral Conference

June 15 – 18 Arise and Shine

July 18 – 24 CLC youth camp at ILC

July 7 – 10 Lower Michigan Youth Camp

July 24 – 28 VBS here at Faith, we are looking for volunteers for teaching, arts and crafts, singing, and recess. A sign up sheet will be put up on the bulletin board soon.  
July 25 – 27 Ark Encounter / Creation Museum Visit

## CALL NEWS

The Rev. Matthew Hanel, pastor of St. Matthew Lutheran, Dallas TX, has returned the call to Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN.

Heidi Nelson, Grace Lutheran, Fridley MN, has returned the call to Messiah Lutheran school, Eau Claire WI.

Teacher Lane Fischer, Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has returned the call to Redeemer Lutheran school, Cheyenne WY.

Mrs. Collette Krause has accepted the one-year call to teach Kindergarten at Trinity Lutheran, Watertown SD.



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