

# Welcome to Anchorage Lutheran Church



## The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Thank you for  
joining us!

## **GATHERING**

Opening Song	We Are Called
Welcome	
Announcements	
Opening Prayer	
Apostles Creed	
Gathering Songs	By Faith This is Amazing Grace
Confession of Sins	
Announcement of Forgiveness	
Song	The Lost Are Found
Children's Message	

## **THANKSGIVING**

Prayers of the People	
The Lord's Prayer	As It Is In Heaven

## **THE WORD**

Old Testament Reading	1 Kings 3:16-28
New Testament Reading	Romans 8:31-39
Gospel Reading	Luke 18:1-8
Message	"No Bother" - Pastor Tony Schultz

## **SENDING**

Closing Prayer	
Benediction	
Closing Song	The Blessing
Sending Words	
Pastor:	Go in Peace and Serve the Lord
People:	<b>Thanks be to God!</b>

## Our Calling

**We exist** as a ministry because of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. As Christians, we seek to know Him and understand His purpose in our lives through the study of God's Holy Word, frequent worship, and reception of the Lord's Supper.

**We strive** to share the Good News of Christ's victory over death through proclamation in our worship services, Christian education programs in our community, and support of missions in Alaska, the Pacific Northwest and the World.

**We seek** to live as God's children, open to the leading of the Holy Spirit by witness and discipleship of Christ Jesus through the use of our time, talent, and treasures.

**The Lord's Supper:** The Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. We celebrate this meal often in remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice. Baptized adult Christians, understanding and seeking the mystery of this Holy Meal—the nourishing forgiveness and Real Presence of Christ—are invited to participate.

*Should you come to the altar and wish not to receive this sacrament, please cross your arms to receive a blessing. Children who have not yet been confirmed are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing.*

### **Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 3:16–28**

<sup>16</sup>Then two prostitutes came to the king and stood before him. <sup>17</sup>The one woman said, “Oh, my lord, this woman and I live in the same house, and I gave birth to a child while she was in the house. <sup>18</sup>Then on the third day after I gave birth, this woman also gave birth. And we were alone. There was no one else with us in the house; only we two were in the house. <sup>19</sup>And this woman's son died in the night, because she lay on him. <sup>20</sup>And she arose at midnight and took my son from beside me, while your servant slept, and laid him at her breast, and laid her dead son at my breast. <sup>21</sup>When I rose in the morning to nurse my child, behold, he was dead. But when I looked at him closely in the morning, behold, he was not the child that I had borne.” <sup>22</sup>But the other woman said, “No, the living child is mine, and the dead child is yours.” The first said, “No, the dead child is yours, and the living child is mine.” Thus they spoke before the king. <sup>23</sup>Then the king said, “The one says, ‘This is my son that is alive, and your son is dead’; and the other says, ‘No; but your son is dead, and my son is the living one.’” <sup>24</sup>And the king said, “Bring me a sword.” So a sword was brought before the king. <sup>25</sup>And the king said, “Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one and half to the other.” <sup>26</sup>Then the woman whose son was alive said to the king, because her heart yearned for her son, “Oh, my lord, give her the living child, and by no means put him to death.” But the other said, “He shall be neither mine nor yours; divide him.” <sup>27</sup>Then the king answered and said, “Give the living child to the first woman, and by no means put him to death; she is his mother.” <sup>28</sup>And all Israel heard of the judgment that the king had rendered, and they stood in awe of the king, because they perceived that the wisdom of God was in him to do justice.

### **New Testament Reading: Romans 8:31–39**

<sup>31</sup>What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” <sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### **Gospel Lesson: : Luke 18:1–8**

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary.’ <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, ‘Though I neither fear God nor respect man, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.’” <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God give justice to His elect, who cry to Him day and night? Will He delay long over them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, He will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?”



**Those Who Need Our Ongoing Prayers**

Rose Diekelman, Jody Quinn, Carolyn Shepard, Christine Gill.

**Comfort, Health, Recovery**

**Members:** Norma Huseman; Forest Taylor; Liz Millikan; Ann McCoy; Eric McCoy; Joel Stratman; Keith McGranahan; Jerome Dodge; Ron Norris.

**Family & Friends:** Tonya (Rick Funner's niece); Janet (Sherry Hartung's sister); Tina (Rick Funner's sister); Tom Ondra (Stefanie Busch's friend); Ed & Cathy Rasmuson (C. John & Lynn Ann Eng's friends); Ruth Erdman (Arlene Raney's niece); Liz Gellerman (Scott Gellerman's mother); Ann McMullen (Ashley Kobylinski's aunt); (Jan & Doug Schroeder's friends): Margaret Provencher, Cathy Johnson, Phil Barnes, Ken & Diana Rowedder; Sarah Gazurian (Tamara McCoy's sister); Jason Restad (Tamara McCoy's uncle); Robert Buckley (brother of Renee Slette); Zaden Kodiak Courtner (Gail Schroeder's grandson); Tabi (Karen Loeffler-Quintieri and Michael Quintieri's granddaughter); Ron Beach (friend of Steve Fibranz).

**Special Prayers:** Please keep Donna Dean and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Please keep Joanne Fritz and her family in your thoughts and prayers with the death of her sister.

