



**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 9, 2021**  
**9:30 am Worship Service**



# \*KYRIE

*Assistant:*  
 In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

*Congregation:*  
 Lord, have mer - cy.

*3rd time to Coda* ⊕

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer -

*Assistant:*  
 For the Reign of God, and for peace through - out the  
 For your peo - ple here, who have come to give you

cy.

world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the  
 praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the

⊕ Coda  
 Help, save, and de - fend us, O

cy.

\* *Ending for Kyrie*

God.

A - men.

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Now the Feast and Celebration!*

*Marty Haugen*

Refrain:

*Congregation:*



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,



all of cre - a - tion sings for joy



to the God of life and love and

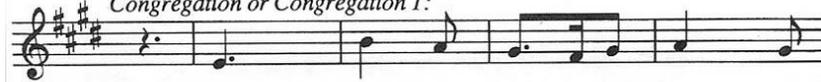


free - dom: praise and glo - ry for - ev -



er - more!

*Congregation or Congregation 1:*



1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once



slain, \_\_\_\_\_ whose blood has freed and u -



nit - ed us to be one great

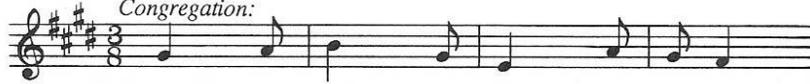


peo - ple of God. \_\_\_\_\_

*to Refrain*

Refrain:

*Congregation:*



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,



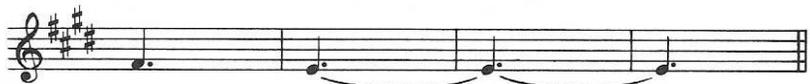
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to the God of life and love and



free - dom: praise and glo - ry for - ev -



er - more!



2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and



might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ



*to Refrain*

for - ev - er.

Refrain:

*Congregation:*



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,



all of cre - a - tion sings for joy

to the God of life and love and

free - dom: praise and glo - ry for - ev -

er - more!

3. For God has come to dwell with us, —

— to make us peo - ple of God; to make

all things new. *to Refrain*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,

all of cre - a - tion sings for joy

to the God of life and love and

free - dom: praise and glo - ry for - ev -

er - more!

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**A** O God,

**C** you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## WORD

### EPISTLE READING

*1 John 5:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup>for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? <sup>6</sup>This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

**A** Word of God, word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 98** (*Assistant and/or Cantor speaks the fine print; congregation speaks the bold print*)

<sup>1</sup>Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done | marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have | won the victory.

<sup>2</sup>**O LORD, you have made | known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight | of the nations.**

<sup>3</sup>You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the | house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory | of our God.

<sup>4</sup>**Shout with joy to the LORD, | all you lands; lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing.**

<sup>5</sup>Sing to the LORD | with the harp, with the harp and the | voice of song.

<sup>6</sup>**With trumpets and the sound | of the horn shout with joy before the | king, the LORD.**

<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and | all that fills it, the world and those who | dwell therein.

<sup>8</sup>**Let the rivers | clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to | judge the earth.**

<sup>9</sup>The LORD will judge the | world with righteousness and the peo- | ples with equity.

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

**P** The Gospel according to John, the fifteenth chapter

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

### \*GOSPEL READING

*John 15:9-17*

[Jesus said:] <sup>9</sup>“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup>“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON

*Pastor Carl Gauck*

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this  
that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse  
for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?*

*When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down  
beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid aside his crown  
for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,  
who is the great I AM, while millions join the theme,  
I will sing, I will sing, while millions join the theme, I will sing.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing God's love for me, and through eternity  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and through eternity I'll sing on.*

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,  
God's 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 to the dead.\***

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

**\*THE PRAYERS** (*The response to "Hear Us, O God" is "your mercy is great."*)

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always

**C** And also with you.

**THANKSGIVING**

*No offering plates passed at this time.*

*Please place your offerings in the offering plates located at the back of the sanctuary.*

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**A** God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table.  
Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in  
service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

**C** Amen.

## **\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**C** 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 and keep you, the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy, the Lord look upon you with favor and grant you + peace.

**C** Amen.

## **WE DEPART TO SERVE**

**\*SENDING HYMN** *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love* TCH # 429

*We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord  
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored*

*Refrain: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love!*

*We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land (refrain)*

*We will work with each other, we will work side by side  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side  
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride (refrain)*

*All praise to the Father from whom all things come  
And all praise to Christ Jesus His only son,  
and all praise to the Spirit who makes us one (refrain)*

**\*DISMISSAL**

**P** God has a vision for us through the resurrected Christ!

**C** To be Spirit Led and Love Driven.

**A** Alleluia. Go in peace. Share the good news!

**C** Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

**\*POSTLUDE**

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| <b>SEW SOTL</b>       | <b>May 8</b>    | <b>May 15</b>         | <b>May 22</b>   | <b>May 29</b>           |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Worship Asst.</b>  | Brandon Messner | Rick Lewis            | Brandon Messner | Gayle Bell              |
| <b>Greeter</b>        | Peggy McCabe    | Ed & Sarah Derr       | Peggy McCabe    | Ed & Sarah Derr         |
| <b>Pianist</b>        | Gail Ernst      | Gail Ernst            | Gail Ernst      | Brant Jester            |
| <b>Song Leader</b>    | Angie Messner   | Peggy McCabe          | Angie Messner   | Peggy McCabe            |
| <b>Sunday SOTL</b>    | <b>May 9</b>    | <b>May 16</b>         | <b>May 23</b>   | <b>May 30</b>           |
| <b>Worship Asst.</b>  | Gail Ernst      | Scott Simpson         | Mike Lambert    | Brett Onstott           |
| <b>Greeters</b>       | Kathy Corwin    | Patricia Van Aken     | Karlsons        | Brandon & Desiree Flood |
| <b>Usher</b>          | Bill Ernst      | Barry & Patty Killian | Bill Ernst      | Ross Jahn               |
| <b>Organist/Piano</b> | Joan Twiton     | Joan Twiton           | Joan Twiton     | Joan Twiton             |
| <b>Song Leader</b>    | Ross Jahn       | Gail Ernst            | Gail Ernst      | Cherie Guillen          |
| <b>Videographer</b>   | Brandon Flood   | Brett Onstott         | Brandon Flood   | Brett Onstott           |

## Our Prayers This Week (Updated as of 5/6/2021)

When a prayer request is given to the church office the names are **included on the prayer list for three weeks and then removed**. Sometimes it is requested for names to remain on our prayer list longer than three weeks. We are asking for your help to keep our congregational prayer list current by incorporating a new section called "Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving." Please let us know when someone's health and/or situation has improved, and they will be placed in the new section for three weeks and then removed. This revision will provide all of us the collective opportunity to pray for all current needs as well as give prayers of praise and thanksgiving to God. *(The prayer list is printed within each worship service bulletin.)*

**We pray for:** The congregations and ministries of the Central States Synod and for our companion Synod in Russia; Rev. Alexander Lapochenko and the congregations of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Arsenyev, Russia, and St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Magadan, Russia; for the leaders of Russia and its neighbors; for the church in Russia. Russian Pastor Gleb Pivovarov and for his wife, Anastasia. Prayers for Russian lay preacher Andrei Olzols and his wife, Viktoria. Prayers for Rev. Bradn Buerkle, for Alla, (Rev. Bradn Buerkle's mother in law,) wife Natasha and their sons (Matvey, Martin, and Lukas) St. Paul Lutheran, Pastor Vitaly Mohr, Pastor Manfred Brockmann, and all those who seek to spread God's mercy in word and deed.

**We pray for POP members:** Don & Becky Skare, Jeff Campbell, Bill & Elfreda Cole, Paul Potthoff, Jenny Mattison, Frank "Butch" & Donna Hayden, Eric Wilson, Andy Derr, Gabe Derr, Elaine Huy, Les Rohr, Darrel Arnold, , Guy Kolie.

**We pray for the loved ones and friends of POP members:** {"◀" indicates a continuing prayer request }

**Doug & Tina Reynolds**, daughter and son in law of Amos & Gayle & **Anna Fisher** and family, daughter of Amos & Gayle ◀

**Jackie Milan**, health concerns. Friend of Amos and Gayle Bell. ◀

**Tammy Milan**, breast cancer. Friend of Amos & Gayle Bell. ◀

**Rita Wirtz and daughter Tammy**; both are battling breast cancer. Friends of Gayle and Amos Bell ◀

**Christian Flood & parents Shelly & Shannon**. Grandson of Kathy Corwin ◀

**Molly Plate**, neighbor of Barry & Patty Killian, breast cancer. ◀

**Susan Griffiths**, chronic health concerns; friend of Angie Messner ◀

**Jan McCoy**, battling cancer ◀

**Hank Washburn**, brother of Diane, Parkinsons stage IV ◀

**Chris Artis Johnson**, daughter of Jan Artis ◀

**Norman Beaver**, cousin of Gayle Bell, health concerns ◀

**Oliver Jones**, struggling with autism. Grandson of Chuck & Sherry Jones ◀

**Paul Smith**, son of Jim & Sherry Smith ◀

**Larkin Wahl, brother of Shawn** aggressive treatment for cancer ◀

**Stacy**, friend of the Vinsand's who is in need of a heart transplant ◀

**Pam Teeter**, relapse of cancer. Friend of Chuck and Sherry Jones ◀

**Keith Burrell**, brother of Carol Lewis ◀

**Bev Hall**, aunt of Angie Messner, who has MS ◀

**Sterling Osborn, 13 y/o** grandson of Greg Roger's aunt, with Ewings Sarcoma shoulder tumor ◀

**Floyd Davis**, step-father of Trisha Lambert ◀

**Robyn Rakers**, friend of Julie Karlson just diagnosed with breast cancer in October ◀

**Victoria Reid**, mother of Carmen Whorley, in hospice care ◀

**Linda Lynch and her husband Mark and family-Mark just diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer**. Linda is a friend of Sarah Derr ◀

**Shellena Jones, daughter of Don Jones**, in chronic kidney failure who is unable to get a kidney transplant and undergoing dialysis (3/10)

**Terry McDonough**, good friend of Gail Ernst, who lives in St. Louis and struggling with Parkinson's Disease (3/15)

**Ethan Krakau, 8 year old family member of the Messner's who was diagnosed with Burkitt's Lymphoma (4/1)**

**Dorothy Stellpflug**, 93 year old mother in law of Kay Vinsand's son who fell and broke her hip on Easter Sunday; prayers for her daughter Jodi Ross and family

**Preston Kolie**, hospitalized post motorcycle accident on April 5 with multiple broken bones and will need rehab to learn how to walk again

**Jon Fusselman** is now at home from the hospital although is still struggling to overcome a major infection which went into his bloodstream. Prayers for his recovery and for wife Sue and family

**Katie Ernst**, wife of Bob, daughter in law of Gail & Bill diagnosed with breast cancer mid March; underwent surgery April 14; will start chemotherapy in May ◀

## PRINCE OF PEACE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME EVERYONE**, especially our visitors! As a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, we are a community of faith gathered together by the Spirit, fed with the Word and with the Sacraments, and sent to serve in the name of Christ.

**PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAYER LIST**: Call or email the church office with prayer requests for the congregational prayer list, the telephone prayer chain and/or email prayer group who will also lift up your prayer concerns.

**A REQUEST FROM YOUR WORSHIP TEAM TO SERVICE ATTENDEES**: Congregants, please wipe down your pew after the worship service ends. Thank you!

**REMINDERS**: Please remember to turn off cell phones and/or place them on airplane mode prior to the beginning of worship and to maintain the wearing of masks. Thanks!

**THANK YOU FOR NOISY OFFERINGS FOR SAFE TO SLEEP!** A total of \$117.84 for Safe to Sleep was collected in Noisy Offerings last weekend! Noisy Offerings the first weekend of June will be for Rev. Bradn Buerkle, ELCA Pastor serving in Russia. *Outreach Team*

**FLOWERS TO ADORN THE ALTAR AREA CHART**: Check the bulletin board in the upper level hallway to sign up to give flowers to adorn the altar area.

**MATTHEW 18:20** "For where two or three are gathered in My name, I am there among them." Let us gather outdoors for prayer, a short devotional and a walk! We will gather at the church and just walk around the parking lot to start with. The fresh air and the fellowship will be good for our souls. This activity will occur each week at 11:30 AM on Saturday mornings (as long as it is not raining) for anyone interested. Tammy Jahnke will lead the prayer and devotional to start with but others will be encouraged to share.

**CAPITAL APPEAL UPDATE**: A capital appeal update for the new equipment and technology needed to continue offering virtual worship services. As of May 4, **\$5,600** has been received out of the \$5,000 needed! *Thank You! Worship and Music Team*

# DIAPER DRIVE FOR LFCS

The Outreach Team will be collecting diapers and other items needed for Lutheran Family and Children's Services. Time of collection will be Mother's Day Sunday May 9 through Father's Day Sunday June 20.



## Items needed:

1. Diapers (all sizes)
2. Pull-up (all sizes)
3. Diaper wipes
4. Rash creams
5. Adult diapers

Collection locations will be in the Fellowship Hall and/or in the Cry Room. *Outreach Team*



How about 5 minutes of a short devotion via Zoom? Let's **gather in His name** to begin and/or end our day. **Mondays at 7:30 am & Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm.** We'll read a devotion - no more than 5 minutes. Those who want to and have time **can stay for another 15 minutes or so to discuss.** The **Zoom ID number & Passwords are**

**included below as well as in the "notes" section on the church online calendar. No need to sign up, just join when you can. Questions? Call Gayle Bell 268-8563.**

### **Mondays 7:30 am**

ID: 853 2923 0789

Password: 503868

Weblink: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85329230789?pwd=Q01wTkxNK2NtWWJtN2ZNSlhpLzFJZz09>

### **Thursdays 7:30 pm**

ID: 883 6186 9412

Password: 987415

Weblink: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88361869412?pwd=eXpBMmlwM3pVMGILYTkzRE1RcGNMQT09>

**DONATIONS FOR POP FOOD PANTRY:** Due to recent generous donations, the POP Food Pantry is in good standing for a while! Thank you! *Outreach Team*

**CHURCH OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGE** Our [prince-of-peace@sbcglobal.net](mailto:prince-of-peace@sbcglobal.net) email address is being discontinued and/or phased out. The new church email address is: [princeofpeaceelca@gmail.com](mailto:princeofpeaceelca@gmail.com). Please add this to your contacts list inside your email accounts. Thanks!

### **GIVING OPPORTUNITIES!**

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate located at the back of the church either before or after the worship service.
- 2) Mail your offering to the church at 815 E. Farm Road 182, Springfield, MO 65810
- 3) Give electronically by downloading the “GIVEPLUS+” app on your telephone or tablet; select Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Springfield, MO and give at your convenience.
- 4) Go to [pop-elca.net](http://pop-elca.net) home page, scroll to the bottom where you will see the opportunity to give online!
- 5) Scan the QR code. Once scanned with a QR reader on your phone or tablet, it will immediately take you to where you can give your offering through the “GIVEPLUS+” app.



## PRINCE OF PEACE CALENDAR

|                          |                 |  |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--|
| <b>Saturday, May 8</b>   | <b>11:30 am</b> | <b>Walking devotional with Dr. Tammy Jahnke, PMA</b><br>(meet in the church parking lot) |
|                          | <b>5:00 pm</b>  | <b>Saturday Evening Worship led by Rev. Carl Gauck</b>                                   |
| <b>Sunday, May 9</b>     |                 | <i>Mother's Day-Diaper Drive for LFCS begins today!</i>                                  |
|                          | <b>9:30 am</b>  | <b>Worship Service led by Rev. Carl Gauck</b>  |
|                          | <b>10:30 am</b> | <b>Refreshments &amp; Fellowship after Worship</b>                                       |
| <b>Monday, May 10</b>    | <b>7:30 am</b>  | Bible Devotional via ZOOM  |
|                          | <b>6:30 pm</b>  | <b>Monday Evening Bible Study via Zoom</b>   |
| <b>Tuesday, May 11</b>   | <b>5:30 pm</b>  | "Yarning for the Lord" ( <i>Stitching &amp; Sewing Room</i> )                            |
| <b>Wednesday, May 12</b> | <b>10:00 am</b> | Pericope Team Study via ZOOM   |
| <b>Thursday, May 13</b>  | <b>6:30 pm</b>  | <b>Church Council Meeting (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)</b>                                   |
|                          | <b>7:30 pm</b>  | Bible Devotional via ZOOM  |
| <b>Saturday, May 15</b>  | <b>11:30 am</b> | <b>Walking devotional with Dr. Tammy Jahnke, PMA</b> (meet in the church parking lot)    |
|                          | <b>5:00 pm</b>  | <b>Saturday Evening Worship Service led by Rev. Carl Gauck</b>                           |
| <b>Sunday, May 16</b>    | <b>9:30 am</b>  | <b>Worship Service led by Rev. Carl Gauck</b>  |
|                          | <b>10:30 am</b> | <b>Refreshments &amp; Fellowship after Worship</b>                                       |

### PRINCE OF PEACE STAFF

**Rev. Carl Gauck, Interim Pastor**

**Dr. Tammy Jahnke, PMA**

Joan Twiton, Organist

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## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION FOR MAY 8 & 9, 2021

- A** Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love. (*please pause for a brief silence*). Loving God, you call us to be your fruit-bearing church. Strengthen the bonds among all Christian churches. Today we pray for the Moravian Church, giving thanks for the life and witness of Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf, renewer of the church and hymnwriter. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** Creating God, the earth praises you. The seas roar and the hills sing for joy. Fill the earth with your love so that by their song, all creatures of land and sea and sky, burrowing and soaring, may call us to join with them in praise. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** Faithful Savior, you conquer the world not with weapons but with undying love. Plant your word in the hearts of the nations' leaders and give them your Spirit, so that the peoples of the world may live in peace. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** Caring Healer, you forget no one and accompany the lonely. Be present with those who are sick or suffering (*especially all whose names are currently on our congregation's prayer list, on our hearts, and on our minds*.....). Provide for those needing homes or medical care and point us towards life-changing responses to these needs in our own communities. Be with the dying. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** Gracious God, as a mother comforts her child, you comfort us. Bless mothers and mothering people in our lives. Comfort those who miss their mothers, mothers who grieve, those who grieve because they cannot be mothers, and those who have never known a loving mother. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** Gentle Redeemer, all who die in you abide in your presence forever. We remember with thanksgiving those who shared your love throughout their lives. Keep us united with them in your lasting love. Hear us, O God.
- C** **Your mercy is great.**
- A** In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**