



By this My Father is glorified,
That you bear much fruit.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

St. John's Lutheran Church—Sherburn, MN

Sunday, May 2, 2021

8:00 a.m.

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*Welcome: We are happy that you have joined us for worship.
May your worship of the living Lord enrich your faith and fill
your life with the lively hope and lasting joy.*

5th Sunday of Easter - "I Am The Vine"

8:00 a.m. May 21, 2021

Divine Setting One

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: "When Morning Gilds the Skies" *LSB #807 vs 1-5*

Stand

Confession and Absolution

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

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

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

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **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.**

P 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 Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 145:1-2, 8, 10, 21; antiphon: John 16:16*

P A little while, and you will see me no longer;

C **and again a little while, and you will see me.**

P I will extol you, my God and King,

C **and bless your name forever and ever.**

P Every day I will bless you

C **and praise your name forever and ever.**

P The LORD is gracious and merciful,

C **slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

P All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

C **and all your saints shall bless you!**

P My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,

C **and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

ALL: 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.

P A little while, and you will see me no longer;

C **and again a little while, and you will see me.**

Kyrie *LSB 152*

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Special Music (8am) - "There is a Redeemer" *Ella Meyers*

Stand

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and

desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading Acts 8:26–40

(The Lord moves Phillip from the exciting, expanding work in Samaria to a place with no people.)

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.” ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” ³¹And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. ³³In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.”

³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?” ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

P Christ has risen from the dead.

C God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor.

P He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle 1 John 4:1–11

(John speaks of faithful spirits-angels-who serve God and rebellious spirits-demons-that serve Satan only)

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. ⁴Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse LSB 156

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel *John 15:1–8*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

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

(In our Gospel text John reveals Jesus as the True Vine as he speaks to an unbelieving Israel (the false vine))

¹[Jesus said:] “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser.

²Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.

³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you.

⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the

Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: "Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing" *LSB #691 vs 1-4*

Message: "Staying Connected to the Vine"

Offering

Offertory Hymn: "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" *LSB #955*

Prayer of the Church

Stand

Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 160*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB 161*

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, King of all creation, for You graciously invite us to call upon You with all boldness and confidence. Gathered at Your Table, grant that we receive Your body and blood, fully trusting in Your promises that are fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Unite us to Christ the Vine that we live as fruitful branches and finally grant us a foretaste of the feast to come. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Lord's Prayer

Pax Domini *LSB 163*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei *LSB 163*

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

Distribution Hymn: "Thine the Amen" *LSB #680 vs 1-5*

Distribution Hymn: "Chief of Sinners Though I Be" *LSB #611vs 1-5*

Distribution Hymn: "Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior" *LSB #619vs 1-5*
Stand

Thank the Lord *LSB 164*

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary 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.

C Amen.

Benediction *LSB 166*

P 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.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" *LSB #805*

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Confirmation: Today we confirm the following youth at the 10:30 service: Emily Anderson, Sydney Beseke, Luke Curtis, Isabella Fitzgerald, Slade Fitzgerald, Berent Kosbab, Kale Larson, Lucas Larson, Brenan Ringnell, Joshua Roben, Malaki Runkle, Breanne Steuber, Caleb Stibbe. A reception for the confirmands and their families will be held at 9:15.

Thank You to the Board of Parish Services and 7th grade confirmation class for hosting the confirmation reception. Thank you to Sally Yahnke for ironing the robes. Thank you to Sharon Huse for making the confirmation stoles.

Confirmation Robes need to be returned to the church office by noon on Monday (May 3).

No Sunday School and Bible Class Today.

Planning Council (All Officers and Board Chairpersons) will meet on Tuesday, May 4 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jr. High Food Fun Faith will be held this Wednesday, May 5 at 3:45. All Jr. High youth are invited to attend.

Weekday Worship Service will be held this Wednesday with communion at **6:00 p.m.** (Please note change of time.)

Open House Bridal Shower for Macy Petrowiak, bride to be of Chris Kahler will be held on Saturday, May 22, 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Fairmont Yacht Club. RSVP to Holly at (507) 848-7104 (call or text). Macy is registered at Target & Sterling Drug.

National Youth Gathering Meeting: There will be a mandatory meeting with regards to the National Youth Gathering for youth and parents. You can attend either Sunday, May 16 at 9:15 or Wednesday, May 19 at 7:15 p.m.

Youth Flaming Flocking Fundraiser has been extended to May 10. Forms are available from the church or youth. Have fun and “flock a friend” or buy insurance to not get flocked!

Take My Moments and My Days

Sunday, May 2

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion
9:15 a.m. Confirmation Reception
No Sunday School/Bible Class
10:30 a.m. Confirmation Service

Monday, May 3

10:00 a.m. Visitation Pat Hanson Funeral
11:00 a.m. Funeral

Tuesday, May 4

6:00 p.m. Planning Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 5

3:45 p.m. Jr. High Food Fun Faith
6:00 p.m. Weekday Worship with Communion
6:45 p.m. Youth Advisory Meeting

Saturday, May 8

10:00 a.m. Sathoff Graveside Service

Sunday, May 9

8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Class/ Coffee & Fellowship

In Our Prayers: Bob Hoffmeyer, Roberta Garbers, Karen Broolsma

Coping With Cancer: Miriam Krueger, Diane Beseke, Shirley Skogerboe, Serena Johnson, Marlene Kuntz, Tom Wescott, Andrea Mileham, Cindi Crissinger, Lori Koerselman, Julie Krogman, Donna Nawrocki, Elsie Swanson, Shelly Callahan, Gary Maday, Ginny Anderson, Larry Norem, Lacy McNicol, Roger Spiegeler, Cyndi Johnson, Gloria Maschoff, Kay Groth, Perry Caven, Harv Baird

Care List: Karen Broolsma, Jethro Zezulka, Dan Hanson, Sandy Claussen, Robert Ziemer, Judith Nielson, Wanda Klima, Lois Anderson, Marilyn Pierson, Crue Crosby, Janet & Dick Lepird, Lorraine Gagnon, Dennis Cook, Norma Broolsma, Kurt Jans, Bruce Behne, Steve Luhmann, LaVerna Diekmann, Carroll Behne, Verna Bliesmer, Les Anderson, Glenna Shanley, Terri Schultz, Joyce Hansen Picken, Linda Chase, Adam Janssen, Bob Hoffmeyer, Marcella Broolsma, and those we name in our hearts.

Members Celebrating Birthdays This Week: Luke Schwager, Levi Anderson, Lois Anderson, Ryan Anderson, Ron Morris, Steve Roben, Jill Gonsior, Evelyn Thate, Don Holtz, Karen Koehler, Jayda Rowen, Leilani Boosinger, Wayne Sommer, Nichole Chase, Sue Dunker, Doug Faber, Mikaela Morris, Jacob Nolte, Levi Ringnell, Stella Anderson, Kristin Behne, Lyric Rienhardt

Members Celebrating Anniversaries This Week: Derek & Ashley Olson, Kirk & Becky Yahnke, Jason & Brenna Anderson, Brian & Rachel Vanden Berg, Payten & Paige Crosby, Houston & Natalie Schubert

We remember the family and friends of Joan Hartke. Joan was called to her eternal rest on April 23 and her funeral was held here at St. John's on April 30.

We remember the family and friends of Pat Hanson. Pat was called to her eternal rest on April 25 and her funeral will be held here at St. John's on Monday, May 3 with visitation at 10:00 and the funeral at 11:00 a.m.

We also remember the family and friends of Donald Swanson. Don was called to his eternal rest on April 27. Service will be May 8 at First Baptist Church in Jackson.

Baptism We welcome Annison Lynn Rosenberg as a member of St. John's through Holy Baptism today. Annison is the daughter of Jason and Sarah Rosenberg. She was born on March 13, 2021. Sponsors for Annison are Jenna Wolfe, Jenna Jurgensen, and Brian Rosenberg.