

Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026

10:30 am

Welcome to worship!

Masks are welcome. If you are joining us from your car,
please tune your radio to 98.7 FM or join us for the
livestream via Facebook or our website, elcbow.org.

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Holy Communion

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If you are a visitor with us, thank you for being here. We invite you to sign our attendance book and the guest book in the Narthex. **Children are welcome** in worship. *Children's bulletins* are available from the ushers. Also, Children's Activity Bags, located in the back of the sanctuary on the right side to use during the service.

We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday and extend the invitation to all who are baptized to receive Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin.

◆ *indicates the congregation stands as able*

Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have a prayer concern or a thanks that you would like included in the Prayers of the People, fill out the card and ushers will collect them from end of pews after Prayer of the Day.

Gathering

10:15 am Second Sunday Hymn Sing

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE

"For the Beauty of the Earth" - Conrad Koche

Musicians: Bryan Benson Family

◆ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

AM In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

AM Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C **Amen.**

AM Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

AM Gracious God,
C **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**
Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**



◆ GATHERING HYMN "Come, Thou Almighty King"

ELW 408

All Verses



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
 our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
 in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
 hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
 ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716-1796

◆ GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.



◆ **HYMN OF PRAISE** "Now the Feast and Celebration"
(Refrain-sung by all, Vs. 1 women only, Vs. 2 men only, Vs 3 All)

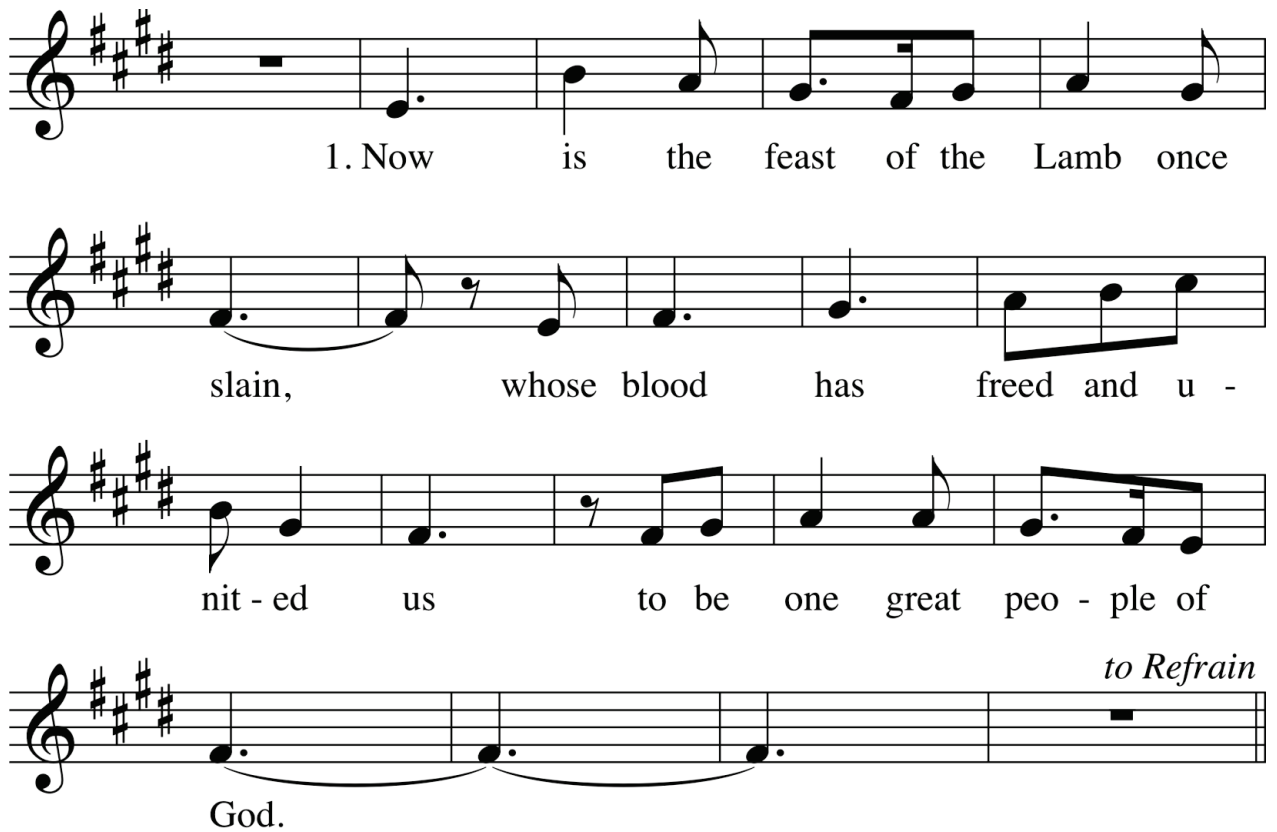
Refrain

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!

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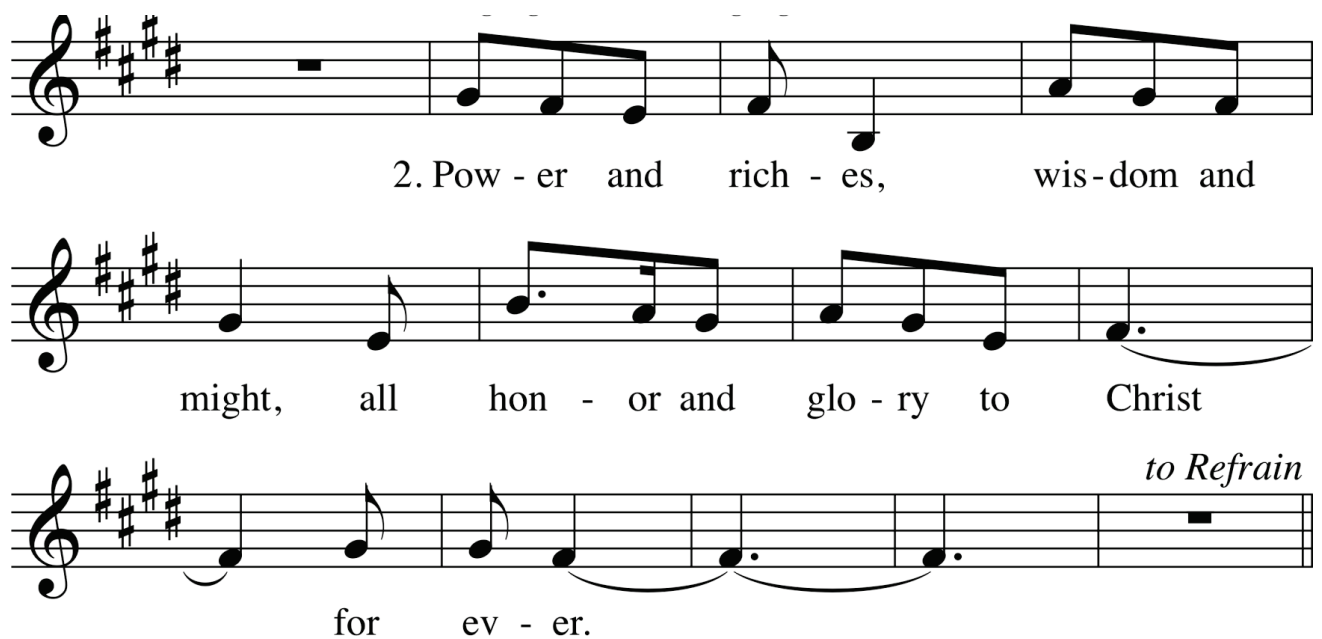
Verse 1 - Women



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*

The musical notation for Verse 1 is written on four staves. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 7/8. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

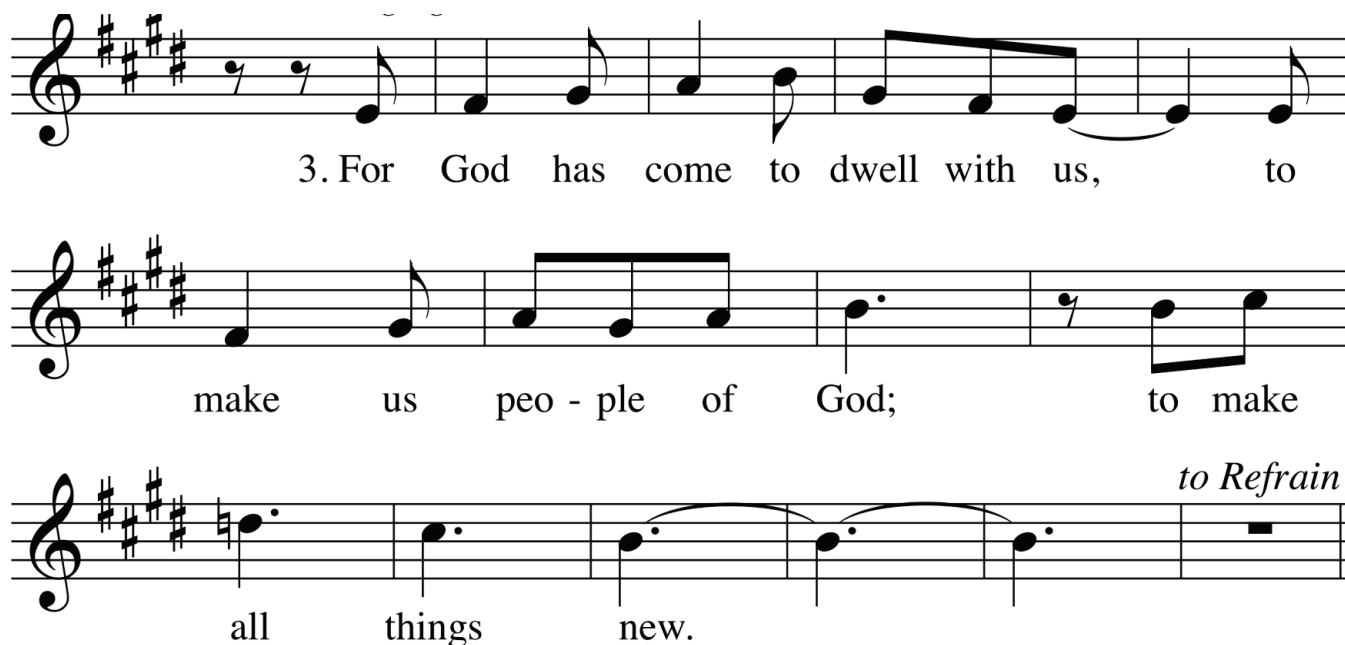
Verse 2 - Men



2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

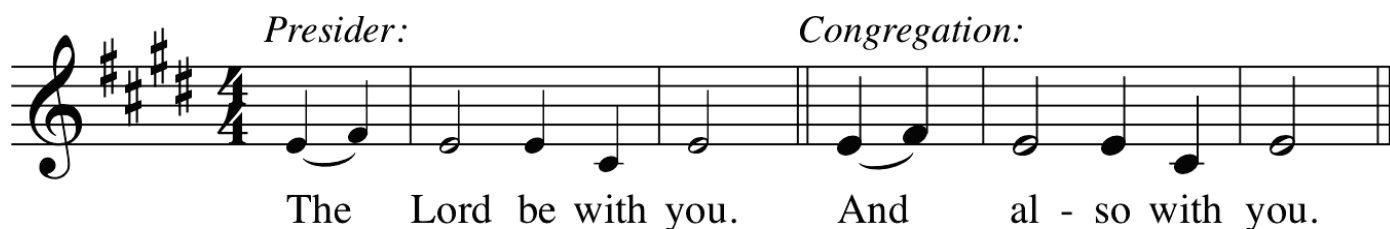
The musical notation for Verse 2 is written on three staves. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 7/8. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

Verse 3 - All



3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new. *to Refrain*

◆ SALUTATION



Presider: The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al - so with you.

◆ PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM Let us pray ...

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

(Please pass prayer cards to the aisle.)

Word

FIRST READING

Acts 17:22-31

In Athens, Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming the gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. He proclaims that the “unknown god” whom they worship is the true Lord of heaven and earth who will judge the world with justice through Jesus, whom God has raised from the dead.

²² Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we, too, are his offspring.’

²⁹ “Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

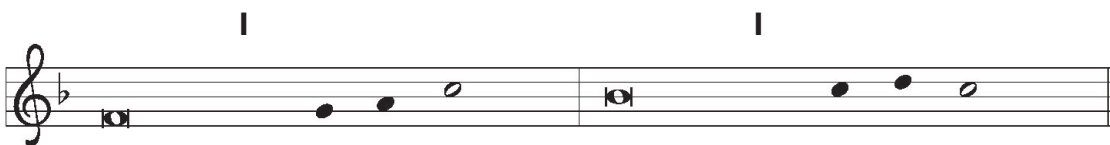
L Word of God. Word of Life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 66:8-20

Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard. (Ps. 66:8)



- ⁸ Bless our [|] God, you peoples;
let the sound of [|] praise be heard.
- ⁹ **Our God has kept us a- [|] mong the living
and has not allowed our [|] feet to slip.**
- ¹⁰ For you, O God, have [|] tested us;
you have tried us just as sil- [|] ver is tried.
- ¹¹ **You brought us in- [|] to the net;
you laid heavy burdens up- [|] on our backs.**
- ¹² You let people ride over our heads; we went through [|] fire and water,
but you brought us out into a place [|] of refreshment.
- ¹³ **I will enter your house [|] with burnt offerings
and will pay [|] you my vows—**
- ¹⁴ those that I promised [|] with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I [|] was in trouble.
- ¹⁵ **I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the [|] smoke of rams;
I will give you ox- [|] en and goats.**
- ¹⁶ Come and listen, all you [|] who believe,
and I will tell you what God has [|] done for me.
- ¹⁷ **I called out to God [|] with my mouth,
and praised the Lord [|] with my tongue.**
- ¹⁸ If I had cherished evil [|] in my heart,
the Lord would [|] not have heard me;
- ¹⁹ **but in truth [|] God has heard me
and has attended to the sound [|] of my prayer.**
- ²⁰ Blessed be God, who has not reject- [|] ed my prayer,
nor withheld unfailing [|] love from me.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:13–22

The author of 1 Peter encourages Christians to remain faithful even in the face of defamation and persecution. In baptism we are made clean to act in accordance with what is right.

¹³ Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵ but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.



◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation:

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! *Optional Repeat*

◆ HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the fourteenth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor John Guthridge

SERMON

Pastor John Guthridge



◆ HYMN OF THE DAY "Loving Spirit"

ELW 397

All Verses



- 1 Lov - ing Spir-it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be—
- 2 Like a moth-er you en - fold me, hold my life with - in your own,
- 3 Like a fa - ther you pro - tect me, teach me the dis - cern - ing eye,
- 4 Friend and lov - er, in your close-ness I am known and held and blessed:
- 5 Lov - ing Spir-it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be—



you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.
feed me with your ver - y bod - y, form me of your flesh and bone.
hoist me up up - on your shoul-der, let me see the world from high.
in your prom - ise is my com - fort, in your pres-ence I may rest.
you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.

Text: Shirley Erena Murray, b. 1931

Music: RESTORATION, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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◆ NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**



**Or, "who proceeds from the Father." The phrase "and the Son" is a later addition to the creed.*

◆ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(after each petition the following response is read)

AM Merciful God, **C receive our prayer.**

Meal

◆ THE PEACE IS SHARED

AM The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C And also with you.**

*The peace is shared with one another with the words,
"The peace of the Lord," or similar words.*

OFFERTORY

"Interlude No. 5"

- Eric H. Thiman

Congregation remains seated while offering is collected.

◆ OFFERTORY HYMN

"As The Grains of Wheat"

ELW 465

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

◆ THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray.

C Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P "It is our duty and delight
.... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:"

◆ Holy, Holy, Holy

Marty Haugen



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P In the night in which he was betrayed
Do this for the remembrance of me.

◆ 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.**



COMMUNION *All who are baptized in the common faith of Jesus Christ crucified are welcome to receive communion. We believe that the body and blood of our Lord is truly present in the sharing of bread and wine. Children are welcome to commune at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive the bread and wine are welcome to receive a blessing. White grape juice is also available.*

If you desire to commune at the altar rail: Holy Communion at the altar is served in groups. To prevent crowding, please wait in your place until directed by the Ushers. Be sure to bring your cup with you. At the altar rail, you'll be served a small piece of bread and have wine or grape juice poured into your cup. After you have communed, wait for the pastor to dismiss you back to your place.

If coming forward is difficult: Please let an usher know that you would like to receive communion at your seat. After those coming to the altar have been served, Pastor will bring communion to you at your seat.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

"Lamb of God"

Marty Haugen

Congregation: Lamb of God, *Congregation or assistant:* you take a - way the sin of the

Congregation: world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,

Final time: Cong. or assistant: mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

Congregation: take a - way the sin of the world: grant us peace,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

Additional invocations:

you break the chains of hatred and fear:
 you are the way of justice and peace:
 you are the way of mercy and love:

- "I Come with Joy" - **ELW 482**
- "Here Is Bread" - **ELW 483**
- "I Am the Bread of Life" - **ELW 485**
- "One Bread, One Body" - **ELW 496**
- "United at the Table" - **ELW 498**
- "Eat This Bread" - **ELW 472** REPEAT as led by the organ.

◆ SENDING HYMN "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"
Verses 1, 2, and 5

ELW 392



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the
sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to -
tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your
his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful
lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of
foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you
vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus
ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our
sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the
en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on
Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt.
Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

◆SENDING

AM Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: "Hyfrydol" - setting, Hal H. Hopson



Thank you to all who serve in worship!

	Serving Sunday May 10	Serving Next Sunday May 17
Presiding Minister	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
Music Ministers	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
Assisting Minister	Chris Omdal	Jerry Benson
Acolyte	Hannah Kress	Drake Conner
Lector	Bryan Galbraith	Youth
Greeters	Inger Conner Laura Engebretsen	Linda Johnson Youth
Ushers	Jon & Susie Aarstad	Mark Johnson Youth
Altar Guild	Kay Zielinski Debbie Conijn	Debbie Conijn Debbie Lisser
Fellowship Hosts	Judy Sheahan Kristin Caldwell John & Candy Johnson	Kris Merritt Larry & Terri Olsen Eric & Nancy Anderson
Flowers	Darcy Hamilton	Jeff & Stephanie Knutzen
Council Member of the Day	Laura Engebretsen	Cheryl Conner





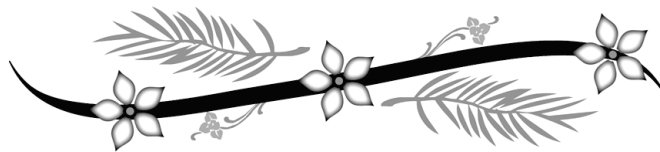
Scripture Readings for next Sunday, May 17th, are:

Acts 1:6-14

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

John 17:1-11



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