

**WELCOME TO  
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**

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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**May 21, 2017 – 10:45 a.m.**

*Divine Service Setting One*

**St. John's Mission: To help one more person get to Heaven  
by pointing them to Jesus Christ.**

It would be a strange thing for God to send His Son to prepare the way of salvation for the world and then not give us a way to receive that salvation. “Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God” (1 Peter 3:18). How does Jesus “bring us to God”? Peter says, “Baptism . . . now saves you” (1 Peter 3:21). Here is the most important way Jesus sends the Helper, the Holy Spirit, who works repentance and faith in the heart. Saving faith is not a product of our own effort, decision, or desire. It is always the gift of God, continually renewed and strengthened by the Holy Spirit working through God’s Word and Sacraments. As our Easter celebration continues, we are drawn closer to our Lord, who remains close to us, as He said, “I am with you always” (Matthew 28:20).

### † Prayer Before Worship †

Come to us, Spirit of Christ, and teach us the way, the truth, and the life. Help us to keep Your holy commandments and to love You with our whole heart and our neighbor as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father and the Son, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Prelude** “Partita on *Orientis partibus*”

David Lasky

**Welcome & Sharing of the Peace**

**Choir** “Alleluia!”

William Boyce

*(Please Stand)*

**Processional Hymn #469** “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

**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.**

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

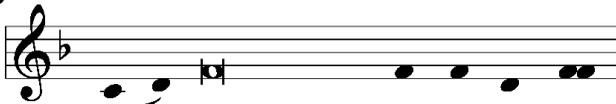
**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole**

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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

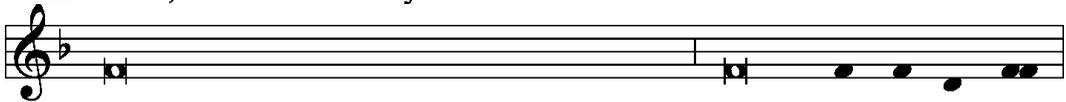
### Kyrie



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



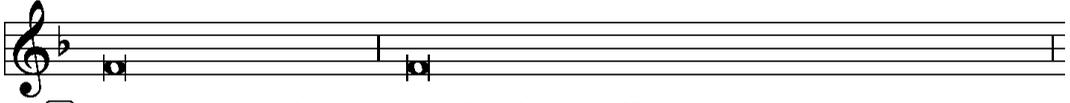
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



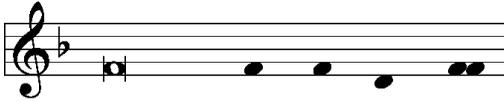
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



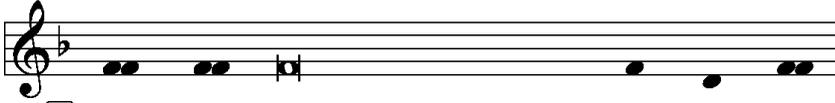
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## Hymn of Praise – *Gloria in Excelsis*



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*(Be Seated)*

**First Reading**

**See Insert**

**L:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**P:** **Thanks be to God.**

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

**All:** Christ has arisen from the dead. God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor. He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands; He has put all things under his feet.

**Epistle**

**See Insert**

**L:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please Stand)*

**Alleluia and Verse**



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**Hymn of the Day #490 "Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won"**

**Sermon**

**Offering**

Please take this time to sign the Pew Pads in your row and pass them down. We thank God for our visitors and guests. Please share your e-mail with us so that you can receive a weekly note of activities/announcements. Thank you for worshipping with us!

**Offertory Anthem "If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments" Thomas Tallis**

*(Please Stand)*

**Offertory Hymn #805 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

**Prayer of the Church**

**P:** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** hear our prayer.

**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.**

## **Benediction**

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** A - men.

## **Recessional Hymn #474 "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen"**

### **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## **Postlude "Dialogue sur le grands Jeux"**

Nicholas de Grigny

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God by Mark and Beth Meier with thanks for 31 years of marriage.

**Today's Ushers:** Larry Bowman, Lisa Little, Bob Sparks, and John Williams

**Lector:** Steve Anderson

**Cantor:** Mark Meier

**Altar Guild for May:** Kae Elliott, Mae Elliott, Renee Henderson

**Lock-ups for May:** Bob Hoisington, Wes Walker

**Pew Pads:** Please remember to sign the pew pads. Thank you.

**Nursery is available** in Preschool Room 106 during the 10:45 Worship Service for children ages 3 and under.

**Crisis Control Item for May:** Saltine and Snack Crackers. The collection basket for these items is in the Narthex.

**The Sermons** are available on-line at <http://stjohnsww.com/weekly-sermons-2/>

**St. John's Prayer and Care Notes** are distributed each Saturday. If you would like to receive this document and be listed on the email distribution, please send a request to:

- Dale Mieresch at [wb9szl@triad.rr.com](mailto:wb9szl@triad.rr.com) and include "St John's Prayer and Care Notes Subscription" in the subject line of your email.
- For the rest of May, please e-mail any prayer requests to Nathan Kottlowski at [misterkaye43@aol.com](mailto:misterkaye43@aol.com).





# St. John's LUTHERAN

Church & School

***Our Sunday Worship*** - Services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.  
Holy Communion is celebrated at 8:30 a.m. on the first and third Sundays,  
at 10:45 a.m. on the second and fourth Sundays, and at both services  
if there is a fifth Sunday in the month.  
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class both begin at 9:45 a.m.

### ***A Great Place to Grow in Christ***

*As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a  
Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.  
All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

**Pastor Thomas Clocker, 301-732-9203, revclocker@gmail.com**

**Mark Edmiston, Principal**

**Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and Community Relations**

**Sonia Davidson, Director of Preschool**

**Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for Contemporary Worship**

**Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for Traditional Worship**