



Community of the Cross Lutheran Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022 • 10:30 a.m.



Our Mission

**We are all called to be ministers—
Welcomed by the love of Jesus Christ,
Nurtured in faith by the Holy Spirit,
Sent to share God's promises with others.**

GATHERING

* Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING SONG

“City On Our Knees”

***OPENING SONG**

“Overwhelmed”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP / INVOCATION**

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: 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.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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. Therefore, in the name of Jesus Christ, and by his authority, I declare to 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.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

C: O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Presenter: Kristin Henak

FIRST READING

Acts 11:1-18

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-6

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *"Your Words"*

*GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 13th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Erik Sevig

OFFERING AND PRAYERS

OFFERING

SONG OF REFLECTION *"The Golden City"*

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.

*PRAYERS

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.

SENDING

***BLESSING / 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: Amen.

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***SENDING SONG**

"Old Church Choir"

***SENDING**

P: Go in peace to touch lives with the love of God.

C: Thanks be to God.

All music for this service is led by Three Year Journey (3YJ)