

FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER

May 18, 2014 – 8am & 11am

Pre-service Music

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

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The Invocation *(Please rise)*

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: The Angel said to the women

People: Don't be afraid.

Pastor: I know you seek Jesus who was crucified.

People: He is not here. He is risen from the dead.

Pastor: Come see the place where He lay.

People: Go quickly and tell His disciples.

Pastor: So they departed quickly from the tomb.

People: With fear and great joy.

Pastor: And ran to tell the disciples.

The Confession and Absolution

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

People: 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.

Pastor: 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 the Word, I

therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Kyrie (spoken)

“Lord Have Mercy”

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Hymn of Praise

“This is the Feast”

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The Prayer For the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

Pastor: Let us pray Heavenly Father as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the Dead, open our eyes to find opportunities to witness our joyful faith. We pray in Christ’s name, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

✠ *Please be seated.*

The First New Testament Reading

Acts 6:1-7(Bible page 1,163)

¹Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. ²And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. ³Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. ⁴But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” ⁵And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them. ⁷And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. (spoken).

The Second New Testament Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10(Bible page 1,294)

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation— ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture: “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” ⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” ⁸and “A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. (spoken).

✘ *In honor of Christ who rose from the dead, we rise to sing*

All Sing:

“He Is Arisen! Glorious Word”

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He is arisen! Glorious Word!
Now reconciled is God, my Lord;
The gates of heav’n are open.
My Jesus did triumphant die,
And Satan’s arrows broken lie,
Destroyed hell’s fiercest weapon.
O hear what cheer!
Christ victorious,
Rising glorious,
Life is giving.
He was dead but now is living!

The Holy Gospel

John 14:1-14 (Bible page 1,146)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

People: Glory to You O Lord. (spoken)

¹[Jesus said:] "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." ⁸Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves. ¹²"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. ¹³Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

Pastor: This is The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, O Christ. (spoken)

The Greeting (please turn to someone next to you, or in front, or behind you)

✠ *Please be seated.*

The Sermon Hymn "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands" **458 v 1-4**

Sermon "The Bottom Line of Easter" Rev. Gilbert Kuehn,
Vacancy Pastor

✠ *Please rise*

The Nicene Creed (8:00 am) (back of hymnal)

The Apostle's Creed (11:00 am) (back of hymnal)

The Gathering of the Offerings *(Please be seated)*

✠ *As the offerings are brought forward the congregation will rise to sing:*

The Offertory

“Make Songs of Joy”

484 v 1, 6

- 1 Make songs of joy to Christ, our head; Alleluia!
 He lives again who once was dead! Alleluia!

- 6 For this be praised the Son who rose, Alleluia!
 The Father, and the Holy Ghost! Alleluia!

The Prayers (The Pastor will end each petition with *“Lord, in your mercy ...”* and the congregation will respond with **“hear our prayer.”**)

The Lord’s Prayer

8:00 am service continues

11:00 am service concludes on page 7

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord. (spoken)

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise. (spoken)

Pastor: It is indeed right and helpful that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we sing your unending hymn:

The Sanctus

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

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The Words of Institution

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you. (spoken)

An appropriate personal prayer before receiving the Sacrament can be found on the page opposite the inside cover of the hymnal.

“White grape juice is available; as well as gluten-free wafers”

The Distribution *(Please be seated)*

- ✘ Faith’s statement of faith regarding communion is printed on the reverse side of the Fellowship Card.
- ✘ Those who desire to commune are invited to follow the ushers’ instructions.
- ✘ Anyone having difficulty walking to the front of the church may sit in the front pew on the lectern side.
- ✘ Receive the bread from the elder either on the tongue or in the hand. Receive the wine either in the individual or the common cup. If you prefer the individual cup, take one from the proffered tray, place the empty cup in the basin as you return. If you prefer the common cup or chalice, please assist the serving pastor by guiding the cup to control the flow. Please return to your seat by the side aisle.
- ✘ Non-confirmed children will be received at the altar rail for a special blessing.

The Distribution Hymn *“Awake, My Heart, with Gladness”* **467**

✘ *Please rise*

Post-Communion Canticle *“Now All The Vault of Heaven Resounds”* **465 v 4**

Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heavn’ly blessed sing:
“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!”
Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Post-Communion Prayer

Pastor: We give thanks to you, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this helpful 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.

People: Amen.

8:00 am & 11:00 am worship concludes with

The Benediction

The Proclamation

Pastor: Christ is Risen!

People: He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Closing Hymn

"Christ The Lord is Risen Today"

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Those Serving Today:

Presiding Minister: Rev. Gilbert Kuehn, Vacancy Pastor

	8 am service	11 am service
Assisting Elder	Larry Roach	
Duty Elder	Larry Roach	Lamar Miller
Acolyte	Austin Logan	Kristen Hahn
Altar Care	Pam Arndt & Mary Joyce Donovan	Jeannette Brown & Marti Curran
Lay Reader	Ryan Barraclough	John Schaerffer
Audio Assistant	Keith Allard	Rose Wegner
Video Assistant	Tim & Yvonne Burkee	Barbara Hahn
Ushers	Norm Braun, Barb Goodhue, Kathy Hoback & Betty Holland	Mary Cazal, Ray LaVallee, Sue Leader & Jeff Musgrave
Fellowship Cards	George & Eleanor Goeth	George & Eleanor Goeth

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Health/Unspoken: Gary Ahl, Robbie Baumgartner, Emma Beck, Joanne Bellone, Sydney Birmingham, Mary Crane, Stephanie Dempsey, Robert Engle, Ed Geimer, Bob Gould, Kathy Hane, James Ketner, LeeAnn Krueger, Ilene Meyer, Peter Mohler, **Paul Musgrave,** Pat Noll, **Dory Nussbacher,** Joyce Pankner, Doris Peterson, Peter Pinaud, Michael Prater, Allen Price, Carol Saunders, Connie Roach, Bea Schurkus, Harvey Selkow, Tom Springer, Charles Steinbach, Gwen Swanson, Jean Terkowski, Jasmine Vasquez, Chris Van Ess, Harry Van Ess, Pat Van Ess, Jasmine Vasquez, Sally Woodtke, Karen Young.

Military: Leo Ayala, Josh Butterworth, Justin Fivecoat, Tom Hartzell, Brandon Martin, Andrew Murphy, Richard Phernetton, Steve Roy, Jr., Andrew Springer, Vincent Sharkey, Andrew St. John, Alan Stackpoole, Todd Stanger, Tyler Wasson, all veterans, and all servicemen and women in VA hospitals.

Homebound: Irene Berlin, Richard Brown, Florine Catt, Marilyn Eggert, Fran Fuller, Vera Grondahl, Bobbie Hain, Pat Hartwell, Selta Heintz, Baxter Holland, Maria Hulyk, James Ketner, Mona Krupicka, Mildred Jeffers, Marge LaVallee, Dottie Maslowski, Evelyn Miller, Kathleen Moore, Doris Morrison, Dave Noll, John & Lucille Noveck, Ginny Pohlman, Carl Schoebel, Brenda Serena, Charles & Pat Steinbach, Hank & Jan Whitt.