



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022

Emanuel Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you have come to worship with us. Please help us to know you by introducing yourself to those you encounter and please be sure to sign our guest book (located on the stand in the Narthex).

• **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available. •

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Assisting Minister: Lois Owen

Reader: Marsha Waggoner

Pianist: Suzanne Wilke

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday - 8 am to 3 pm

Friday - 8 am to 2 pm

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WELCOME

Dan Johnson

OPENING HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the Holy Trinity ✝ one God.
Who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen

L: 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

Amen

L: Gracious God,
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 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**

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray together....

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

PSALM: Psalm 148 (Read responsively)

Marsha Waggoner

¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise God in the heights.

²**Praise the LORD, all you angels;
sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.**

³Praise the LORD, sun and moon;
sing praise, all you shining stars.

⁴**Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens.**

⁵Let them praise the name of the LORD,
who commanded, and they were created,

⁶**who made them stand fast forever and ever,
giving them a law that shall not pass away.**

⁷Praise the LORD from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps;

⁸**fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing God's will;**

⁹mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;

¹⁰**wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds;**

¹¹sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;

¹²**young men and maidens,
old and young together.**

¹³Let them praise the name of the LORD,
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.

¹⁴**The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all faithful servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6

Marsha Waggoner

John's vision shows us that in the resurrection the new age has dawned; God dwells with us already. Yet we wait for the time when the tears that cloud our vision will be wiped away. Then we will see the new heaven, new earth, and new Jerusalem.

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.”

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

L: The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

L: The Gospel according to John, Chapter 13. (*Stand as able.*)

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

L: The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Dan Johnson

HYMN OF THE DAY

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

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APOSTLE'S CREED

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle's 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 OF INTERCESSION (Please be seated.)

- A:** 1) Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.
- 2) Loving God, lead us to follow your Spirit, rather than our own prejudices or desires, as the church cares for one another. Open us to perceive your gifts in those we least expect. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 3) Inspire us to praise you through the beauty and majesty of the natural world around us. Urge us toward more deliberate care of the world you have made. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 4) Humble the rulers of nations before your splendor. Direct them to the people who need their attention most, and turn them from the temptation to hoard wealth or power. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 5) Hasten to dwell among those who are in pain or distress. As Christ enters our deepest suffering, remain with those experiencing despair and great need. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 6) Place holy love at the center of all our relationships and communities. By your love heal us, convict us, and renew us. Bring an end to racism in our churches and communities. Let everyone know your goodness by the love we show one another. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- 7) Silent prayer.

8) Give us a place in the diverse company of your beloved saints. Teach us the value of each person's identity, and bless us with a shared identity as your children, kindred of Christ. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

9) In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen

SHARING THE PEACE

The sharing of peace is an individual and communal act of forgiveness.

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Living God,
you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together
in your peaceable reign,
and you welcome us all at your table.
Reach out to us through this meal,
and show us your wounded and risen body,
that we may be nourished and believe
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

When the community gathered on May 8th, the Words of Institution were spoken over the elements: Bread and Wine.

L: *We will continue with distribution of communion which was consecrated on May 8th.*

When our congregation gathered for worship and met at the table for the celebration of Holy Communion, we heard again the story of God's mighty acts and of the love shown us in the

death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. *With thanksgiving we remembered that “in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

We were given the assurance of our Lord’s presence through the gift of his Holy Spirit. Now, this same bread of life and this same cup of blessing, is brought again to you that you may be strengthened through your participation in the body of Christ.

L: O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

L: The risen Christ dwells with us here.
All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.
We practice continuous communion. All are welcome..

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Jesus Loves Me!

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COMMUNION BLESSING

L: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: We give you thanks, generous God,
for in this bread and cup
we have tasted the new heaven and earth
where hunger and thirst are no more.
Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,
that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus’ name.

Amen

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

L: Let us pray:

God of all creation, we offer you grateful praise for the Gift of Life, and especially the gift of the lives of our sisters and brothers who stand before us this day and who recall this month the day of their birth. They rejoice in your gifts of life and love, family and friends.

Bless them with your presence and surround them with your love that they may enjoy many happy years, all of them pleasing to you. We ask this grace and blessing for each one of them through Christ our Lord. Amen

BLESSING

L: God, the Author of life,
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
✝ bless you now and forever.

Amen

SENDING HYMN

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DISMISSAL

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!





Our Mission

To share Christ's unconditional love with everyone.

Our Vision

Emanuel's vision is to be loving, supportive, and welcoming, as we reach out in service and in witness to our neighborhood and the city beyond.

We share a passion to nurture people in all stages and circumstances of life.

We, as disciples of Christ, minister to our changing community in challenging cultural times.

God is calling us to joyfully follow the Holy Spirit in ministry to others.



Announcements: Week of May 15, 2022

Lydia Circle will meet tomorrow, May 16th at the home of Marsha Waggoner.

Choir rehearsals begin May 22nd.

On June 7th at 1:00 pm, the newly formed Banner Team will meet in Luther Hall.

The next Quilting Bee — will be June 13th at 10:00 am. All are welcome & all skill levels as well. If you can use scissors and/or tie a knot, there will be a job for you!

We are asking for donations to help support the Coffee Hour. A donation container will be available on a table in Luther Hall.

Lutheran Disaster Response and Lutheran World Relief directed donations go directly to the people most in need.

The Behavioral Health Wellness Center is a program within Stanislaus Behavioral Health and Recovery Services. It is a community-based program that offers peer support to adult individuals in the community.

They are currently in need of gently used sports equipment for baseball, basketball, tennis, golf, and badminton. If you have any of the items listed and would like to donate, please call Linda Nelson at (209) 499-6922. She will pick up your donation and deliver it to the Wellness center. *Thank you!*



Food for Faith, an Outreach ministry project that benefits The Food Initiative of Greater Stanislaus (FIGS) is the first Sunday of every month. The next collection will be **June 5th**. Non-perishable items can be placed directly into the open car trunk of the month's "Trunk Master!" If you won't be present on a first Sunday and bringing a non-perishable donation on another day would be easier, please let the office know. Donations can be placed in or near the basket marked "Food for Faith" in the Narthex. If you are interested in becoming a Trunk Master - it's really easy, fun and enjoyable!

Ongoing Announcements

TEXT STUDY: Every Tuesday, year-round, in the Youth Room at noon. We discuss the lessons for the next Sunday. Come anytime you are available, leave early if you need to, bring your lunch. Generally, this lasts about an hour and 15 minutes....give or take.

Adult Bible Study — Wednesdays at 1:00 pm in Luther Hall. Please join anytime. Reading HOPE IN TIMES OF FEAR by Timothy Keller.

Hosts are needed for Coffee Hour. Please see the sign-up sheet in Luther Hall.

Choir rehearsals — Sundays, downstairs at about 11 o'clock.

Coin Jar -- Your spare change makes a difference! Proceeds go to Outreach.

Food for Faith Sunday — 1st Sunday of each month. Items can be placed in the basket in the Narthex. Your generous donations benefit The Food Initiative of Greater Stanislaus.

Quilting Bee -- meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 10:00 am. All are welcome & all skill levels as well. If you can use scissors and/or tie a knot, there will be a job for you!

Lydia Circle — usually meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 1 pm. Please be sure to check the weekly calendar in the bulletin for any updates! We use the GATHER magazine as our Bible Study. All women of Emanuel are invited to join us.

Leah Circle meets on the third Monday of the month at 1:00 pm.

Rebecca Circle meets every 3rd Thursday at 1:30 pm in member's homes. All are welcome!

The Shower Shuttle and Laundry Shuttle are actively taking care of our homeless communities, and the needs remain the same: personal hygiene items, etc. *Thank you all for your contributions to this Ministry, Marilyn and Chuck Rowland*

Emanuel will celebrate graduates with a cake during Coffee Hour on Sunday, June 12th.

Please be sure to submit the names and addresses of your graduates by June 5th so that cards of congratulations can be sent. *Thank you!*



Please complete the information below and place in the offering basket or if you prefer, you can submit by email or call the church office. Deadline is June 5th.

Name of Graduate: _____

Degree/Diploma: _____

Name of College/University/School: _____

Your name: _____

Relationship to graduate: _____

The video of the April 18 Easter, Ramadan, Passover, Cambodian New Year Converge at Graceada Park is available on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/MLinC-Multi-faith-Leaders-in-Community-105086304958928/videos/729303288433149>



Modesto Sister Cities

Fundraiser for Ukraine

Modesto Sister City Khmelnitskiy

Saturday, June 4, 2022

at the Modesto Centre Plaza
1000 L Street

Borscht Dinner

with other Ukrainian foods

5 pm Social Hour 6:30 pm Dinner - Program - Music



Tickets - at State Theatre Box Office and 2937 Veneman Ave Suite A-101

\$40 general

\$35 seniors, veterans, students

*All proceeds will go for humanitarian aid to Ukraine
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Entrance Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth



- 1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
- 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
- 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
- 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
- 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain

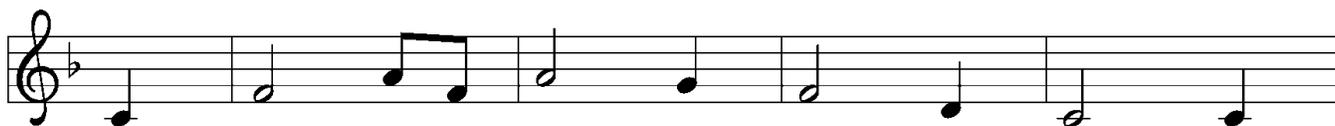


Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

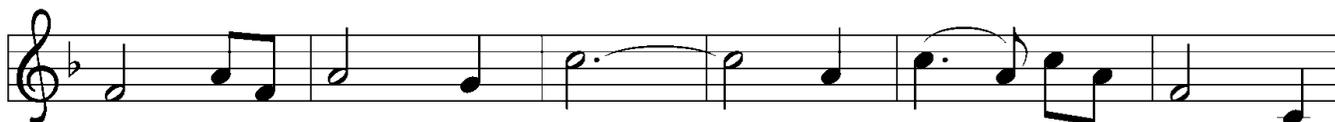
Text: Follitt S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

Hymn of the Day

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5
Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

Communion Hymn

Jesus Loves Me!



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.

Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

Sending Hymn

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



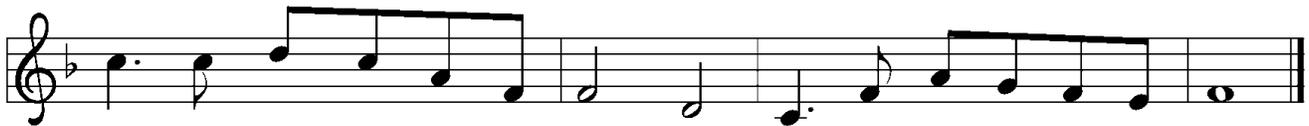
- 1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
- 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886

Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

Prayer Requests: May 15, 2022

✝ Prayers for the people of Ukraine, for an end to violence and war

On-going Prayers:

1. Richard Riner—healing of cancer (Crawford)
2. Jenn Owen—health & well-being (Owen)
3. Adrienne—comfort & strength regarding her daughter who was severely injured (Schmidt)
4. Lois Silva—continued healing
5. Susan McCready—continued healing
6. Julia Fritz—recovery & healing (Dieterich)
7. Chris Paulsen—healing & well-being
8. Judd—health & well being (Watkins)
9. Stephanie—recovery from illness (Watkins)
10. Jenevieve Torres—healing of violent seizures (Teaney)
11. Dianne Gillette—comfort & peace of mind (Teaney)
12. Wayne Knox, Reta McLelland—comfort & peace (Teaney)
13. Darroll Tuggle—cancer (Teaney)
14. Jack Smith—healing & well-being
15. Rose Epting—healing
16. Michael Fontanilla—well-being (Norquist)
17. Darcy Moreno—good health, good care & peace of mind (Ashlock)
18. Ken—complete healing from COVID (Waggoner)
19. William Mangnall—healing (Dieterich)
20. Troy Slaybaugh—healing (Teaney)
21. Virginia Conella—cancer screening (Silva)
22. Tatum—bone marrow process/healing (Waggoner)
23. Anthony Pino—healing/health concerns (Wilke)
24. Dawn Brown—healing & well-being (Ixcot)
25. Mya—healing & well-being (Fritts)
26. Kaete Loeffler—healing and well-being
27. Emily Harvitt—healing of mental illness/peace of mind for the family (Spinuzzi)
28. Yvonne Troedson—healing
29. Dave Kraft—healing
30. William Teaney—healing
31. Ed Martin—healing & recovery (Crawford)
32. Ron Johnson—strength & healing (Crawford)
33. Laurie Spinuzzi—healing (Silva)
34. Marcelo Valenzula—healing
35. Santiago Lopez—healing (Crawford)
36. Norma Jarmillo—healing (Harris)
37. Ian McKenzie—acceptance of mental illness (Schmidt);
38. Jesus Ojeda—healing & well-being (Ojeda)

7-DAY CALENDAR | MAY 16 - 22

Monday, May 16

1-3:00 pm Lydia Circle: Luther Hall
1-2:30 pm Leah Circle: meets off-site

Tuesday, May 17

12-1:30 pm No Text Study this week
6:30-8:00 pm RADCOV Music Rehearsal: Sanctuary

Wednesday, May 18

1-2:30 pm Adult Bible Study: Luther Hall

Thursday, May 19

1:30-2:30 pm Rebecca Circle: meets off-site

Friday, April 20

OPEN

Saturday, May 21

10 am-12 pm Organ Practice: Sanctuary

Sunday, May 22

9:30-10:30 am ELC Worship Service
10-10:30 am ELC/RADCOV Leadership Meeting: Office and Youth Room
11:15 am-12:30 pm RADCOV Worship Service