

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ Fifth Sunday of Easter ✠ April 29, 2018

This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding that we read of in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.



A Palestinian man picks grapes

*Inspired by Christ,
living and growing in faith,
we are a loving and open community
of worship, witness, and service in God's world.*



Prelude

Welcome

**Baptismal
Song of
Thanks and
Praise**

*Please stand as
you are able.*

**Gathering
Hymn**

**Apostolic
Greeting**

**Prayer of the
Day**

Please be seated.



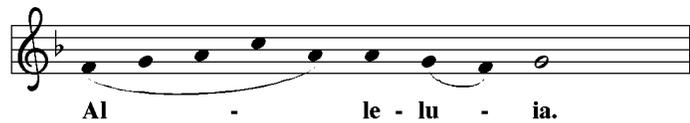
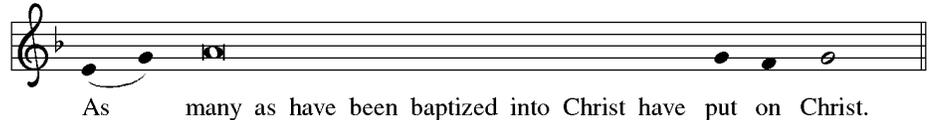
✠ Gathering ✠

*Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers,
welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.
We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.*

Caccia

N. Dello Joio

Paschal Blessing



On the first day of the week at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; and as they were frightened and bowed their face to the ground, the men said to them: "Why do you seek the living among the dead? Remember how he told you, while you he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise."

We Know that Christ is Risen
ELW #449

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.

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Hayden John Nelson

Parents: Ryne and Jennifer Nelson
Sponsors: Rebecca Hanson, James Hanson
and Grant Pueggel

Presentation

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all his empty promises?

C: I do

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.



Thanksgiving at the Font

Congregation may be seated.

Baptism

C: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

Baptism Hymn

(Please join in singing the refrain.)



The Baptismal Song Lisa Holt Thompson



You are re - born you are made new;

You are God's chi - ld to - day. - - - You are washed in the

wa - ter Blessed by the Word, part of God's fam - ily to stay.

✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

1 John 4:7-21

We love God and others because God first loved us. We cannot say we love God, whom we have not seen, while hating fellow Christians, whom we regularly see. Love toward God is to be matched by love toward others because the essence of God is love.

Reading

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, “I love God,” and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel

[Jesus said:] ¹“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is

Please stand as you are able.



John 15:1-8

On the night of his arrest, Jesus taught his disciples about the relationship they would have with him. Those who abide in his word

and love would bear fruit, for apart from him, they could do nothing.

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day

Please stand as you are able.



Please be seated.

Anthem

thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!

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Vs 1 All, vs 2 Women, vs 3 All, vs 4 Men, & vs 5 All

Prayers of the Church

Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: For ministries that nurture faith formation. For missionaries and Bible study leaders. For those who are seeking, questioning,... Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Make me a Channel of Your Peace

St. Francis of Assisi and Sebastian Temple

*Make me a channel of your peace Where there is hatred let me bring your love
Where there is injury, your pardon Lord And where there's doubt, true faith in you
Make me a channel of your peace Where there's despair in life let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light And where there's sadness ever joy
Oh, master grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand To be loved as to love with all my soul
Make me a channel of your peace It isn't pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to all men let we receive And in dying that we're born to eternal life.*

Offertory

Please stand as you are able.

This Joyful Eastertide

This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
sprung to life this mor - row. Had Christ, who once was
slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in
vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -
ris - en; but now has Christ a - ris - en!

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848–1934
Music: VRUECHTEN, Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.

Offertory Prayer

A: Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

✠ Meal ✠

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

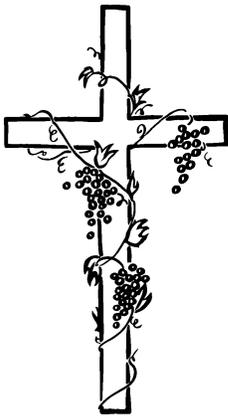
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

C: 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.

Please be seated.

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table is ready. All are welcome.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Music

Please stand as you are able.



Post-Communion Canticle

Distribution

Communion is by common cup or intinction: For the common cup, receive a piece of the bread, and drink from the white chalice. For intinction dip the bread into the brown cup with the wine (dark) or grape juice (light) as you prefer, then eat. At Lake of the Isles, we practice open communion. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are welcome at this table.

Post-Communion Blessing

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

C: **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

A: O God, for our redemption you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin so that we may rise to live with Christ forever; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**

✠ SENDING ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927
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Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord makes his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Earth and All Stars

K. Vigne

*You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music and praise.
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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Pastor	Rev. Arden D. Haug
Organist	Kenneth Vigne
Choir Director	Dawn Allan
Worship Assistant	Kathy Hering
Baptism Song	Kathy Hering and Mark Waldeland
Ushers	Don Holzschuh and Bruce Sabatke
Altar Servers	Ellie Holmquist, Ruth Lee and Eivor Lund
Reader	Patricia Nortwen
Communion Assistants	Mark Duff, Steve Hoyt and Janna Haug
Coffee Hosts	Lars and Chanda Olson

CHURCH OFFICERS

President	Marty Carlson
Vice President	Ross Formell
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Secretary	Jon Sprain

STAFF

Children's Ministry Director	Diane LaMere
Caretaker	Dane Peterson
Office Manager	Linda Nelson
Nursery Attendant	Sheridan Swee

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 29	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	12:00 pm	MMTF Recital	Sanctuary
MONDAY, APRIL 30	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, MAY 1	9:15 am	Prayer Ministry	Christy Room
	5:15 pm	SA Support Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	AA Spiritual Recovery Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Men's AA Group	Room 201
WEDNESDAY, MAY 2	11:00 am	Bible Study	Christy Room
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Confirmation	Christy Room
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice	Fellowship Hall
THURSDAY, MAY 3	12:00 pm	Al-Anon	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m.	PunschKlubben	Fellowship Hall
FRIDAY, MAY 4	6:00 p.m.	Our Saviour's Shelter Meal	Our Saviour's
SATURDAY, MAY 5	9:30 am	Priscilla Circle	Sunday School Rooms
	10:00 am	Upper Midwest Music Festival	Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	Amann Recital	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, MAY 6	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	12:00 pm	Low Recital	Sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of

thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:

Marlene Wilson, Shirley Carlson, LOTI members; **William Oliver Ulrich**, grandson of Cathy Carlson and Peter Van Bergen; **Molly Boylan; Judy Bigelow; Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jenny Cook; **Lynn Williamson**, family of Bruce and Carol Kuehn; **Emmie and Jim Burton**, friends of the Sabatkes; **Linda Sabatke**, sister-in-law of the Sabatkes.

Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



STAFFED NURSERY AVAILABLE

Children are always welcome in worship, however, if the need arises, the Christy Room is available if you need to leave with your child. The Christy Room is

located to the left of the sanctuary through the side door at the front of the church and across from the church office. There is an alternate route to take from the narthex, (back of church)—follow the signs. If you need assistance, please ask one of the ushers to help you. There is a baby changing table available in the unisex restroom between the pastor's office and the sacristy.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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*Jillian Sundeen 4/30 Carolyn Hagford 5/2
Casey Christy 5/5*

ADULT FORUM SUNDAY, APRIL 29

11:00 P.M.

Please join us in the Christy Room to hear about the Holy Land trip and see pictures from LOTI members who were on the trip.

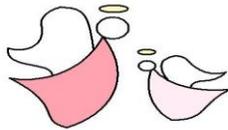
SUNDAY SCHOOL VISITORS WELCOME!

Children who are visiting today, age 3 through 6th grade, are more than welcome to come to Sunday School. We do ask that a parent/guardian comes with their child after the Children's Message to check

him/her into a classroom. Children will return to worship with their family at the start of Communion. If your child would prefer to remain in worship, please know that there are age appropriate worship materials at the kid's worship table in the Narthex (back of the Sanctuary). Welcome!

**GUARDIAN ANGEL REVEAL
SUNDAY, MAY 6th**

Guardian Angel Pen Pals and Sunday School children will finally get to meet each other on Sunday, May 6 after worship. We'll gather in Fellowship Hall (after the balloons are released outside) and enjoy some angel food cake together. If you are not going to be in town on this day, please contact Diane LaMere (diane.lamere@loti.org) so that alternative plans can be made.



SINGERS NEEDED

The choir is performing many fun and easy pieces this spring and they would like to invite you to come to rehearsal on Wednesday evenings for the next few weeks.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING
SCAN TO GIVE**



OUR SAVIOUR'S HOUSING

The dates available for 2018 are: July 6, August 3, September 7, October 5 and November 2.

Please let Cheri Moe know if you would like one of these dates to serve the people at Our Saviour's. Thank you! You can reach Cheri at moeclana@aol.com / PH: 952-431-5226.

**LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR
SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS DAY CAMP
JUNE 18 – 22, 2017**

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A progressive ecumenical experience offering faith formation in a fun, safe, Christ-centered and relational setting day camp. Worship, crafts, games, lunch and field trips. The day camp is at Bethel Lutheran Church, 4120 17th Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN from June 18 to 22nd from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.. It is open to children entering kindergarten to those entering 8th grade. The cost is \$30 per camper with a maximum of \$60 per family. Make checks payable to First Congregational UCC. Scholarships are available. Registration deadline is June 1. Please contact the LOTI church office for a copy of the registration form or check the table in the narthex for a copy.

LUTHER PARK CAMP

LOTI youth Grade 1-9 are invited to come to Luther Park in Danbury, WI with Pastor Haug the week of July 22. We will provide transportation to/from camp for half week campers (Sun-Wed). Go to lutherpark.com to complete the registration form (type web address carefully so that you get the Luther Park in Danbury, WI). Please contact Diane LaMere or Pastor Haug before registering for other important details to include on the registration form.

**EXTENDED CALENDAR
OF LOTI CHURCH SERVICES
& Events**



April 29

Adult Forum on
Trip to the Holy Land
11:00 a.m.
Christy Room

May 3, 17 & 30

Women's Book Club
7:00 p.m.

May 6

Guardian Angel Reveal

May 10 & 24

Growlers & Theology
7:30 p.m.

May 13

Mother's Day Smorgasbord
12:00 Noon

May 17

Church Council Meeting
7:00 p.m.

May 19

ASI Cloudberries Concert
7:00 p.m.

May 28

Memorial Day
Church Office Closed

God's Help, Our Hands

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