



# The Third Sunday of Easter 4 May 2025

Our Mission:
As God's forgiven family,
we grow in faith through
Word and Sacrament to
share the Gospel of
Jesus Christ.

# WELCOME!

WE ARE HAPPY YOU WERE LED TO WORSHIP WITH US! IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME IN A LUTHERAN CHURCH, WE WANT YOU TO FEEL COMFORTABLE AND "AT HOME" IN OUR WORSHIP SETTING.

The Lord speaks to us through His Word and Sacrament and we respond with joy in song and prayer. This rhythm reflects our rich worship heritage built on the teachings of the Bible placing Jesus Christ at the center of all we do.

Check out the back of this bulletin for information on Bible Classes, upcoming events, how to get involved and more!

Holy Communion: CTK practices "close" communion. This expression means that all who receive the Sacrament believe in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and wine, and embrace the teachings of the Lutheran faith according to the Scriptures. If you are not a member of an LCMS congregation, we ask that you please contact one of the pastors prior to receiving the Sacrament. You are welcome to approach the altar with folded arms to receive a blessing.

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AS WE GATHER Though the disciples had witnessed Jesus walking on water, He was testing the limit by telling seasoned fishermen where to cast their nets. The disciples knew it was the Lord—it could only be the Lord. Then, when He broke the bread and gave thanks, they rejoiced that the crucified and risen Savior had shown Himself to them again. This is what we do every week. Jesus tells us what life is and how to live it, and we are weary of all the things that have disappointed us. But Christ can never disappoint us. He fills our nets with His life, addresses us with the voice of hope, and feeds us to everlasting life, and by this Word and Sacrament we know it is the Lord.

## **PRELUDE**

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### + PREPARATION +

## **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen" *LSB* 474 vv.1-4

Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light! Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!

Walking the way, Christ in the center Telling the story to open our eyes; Breaking our bread, Giving us glory: Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!

Jesus the vine, We are the branches; Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; Heaven to earth, Christ to the people, Gift of the future now flowing to me. Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!

Weeping, be gone; Sorrow, be silent: Death put asunder, and Easter is bright. Cherubim sing: "O grave, be open!" Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!

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## **INVOCATION**

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit C: Amen.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *Psalm 30:5, 8*

P: To You, O Lord, I cry,

C: and to the Lord I plead for mercy.

P: For His anger is but for a moment, and His favor is for a lifetime.

C: Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

P: Let us confess our sins before God and in the presence of one another.

C:I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C:Amen.

# **HYMN OF PRAISE** LSB 474 v.5

City of God, Easter forever, Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb, River of life, Saints and archangels, Sing with creation to God the I AM! Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!

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#### **SALUTATION**

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

## **COLLECT**

P: Let us pray. Merciful Father, in Your great love You bestowed forgiveness upon Saul, and by Your Spirit, You brought him to faith in Your Son. Grant that we, too, may be rescued from unbelief and, by Your grace, be granted the favor of Your friendship and redemption to believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior, and to serve His purpose in all that we do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C:Amen.

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

## **FIRST READING** Acts 9:1-22 ("Saul, why are you persecuting Me?")

<sup>1</sup>But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" <sup>5</sup>And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup>But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." <sup>7</sup>The men who were traveling with

him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. <sup>8</sup>Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. 9And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. <sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." 11 And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, <sup>12</sup> and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup>But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." 15But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. <sup>16</sup>For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." <sup>17</sup>So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup>And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; <sup>19</sup> and taking food, he was strengthened. For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." <sup>21</sup>And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" <sup>22</sup>But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

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

C: Thanks be to God.

## **EPISTLE** Revelation 5:1-14 ("Worthy is the lamb who was slain.")

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. <sup>2</sup>And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" <sup>3</sup>And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, <sup>4</sup>and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. <sup>5</sup>And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." <sup>6</sup>And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup>And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. <sup>8</sup>And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp,

and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. <sup>9</sup>And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, <sup>10</sup>and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth." <sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup>And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" <sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**VERSE** *LSB* 467 v.6

Now I will cling forever To Christ, my Savior true; My Lord will leave me never, Whate'er He passes through. He rends death's iron chain; He breaks through sin and pain; He shatters hell's grim thrall; I follow Him through all.

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**HOLY GOSPEL** John 21:1-19 (After directing the disciples to a great catch of fish, Jesus asks Peter if he loves Him.)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter. C: Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. <sup>4</sup>Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. <sup>8</sup>The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. <sup>9</sup>When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you

have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. 13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. <sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saving this he said to him. "Follow me."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** "Long Before the World is Waking" LSB 485

Long before the world is waking, Morning mist on Galilee, From the shore, as dawn is breaking, Jesus calls across the sea; Hails the boat of weary men, Bids them cast their net again.

So they cast, and all their heaving Cannot haul their catch aboard; John in wonder turns, perceiving, Cries aloud, "It is the Lord!" Peter waits for nothing more, Plunges in to swim ashore.

Charcoal embers brightly burning, Bread and fish upon them laid: Jesus stands at day's returning In His risen life arrayed; As of old His friends to greet, "Here is breakfast; come and eat."

Christ is risen! Grief and sighing, Sins and sorrows, fall behind; Fear and failure, doubt, denying, Full and free forgiveness find. All the soul's dark night is past, Morning breaks in joy at last.

Morning breaks, and Jesus meets us, Feeds and comforts, pardons still; As His faithful friends He greets us, Partners of His work and will. All our days, on ev'ry shore, Christ is ours forevermore!

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## **SERMON**

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Emboldened by Your mercy, we come before You, O Lord, with the prayers and petitions of our hearts and with confidence in Your good and gracious will to answer our prayers. Blessed Lord, You forgave Peter his betrayal and appointed him to feed Your sheep. Forgive our sins, restore us to Your service, and bless all that we do that it may be to Your glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

P: By Your grace, O Lord, You turned Saul from an enemy of Your kingdom into Your servant and sent him as an apostle to the Gentiles. Turn the hearts of our own rebellion, and by Your Spirit wear down our resistance to Your Word, that we also may be bold witnesses to Your mercy. Lord, in Your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

P: As You have willed, O Lord, Your Son established the church. Continue to set apart pastors to feed the people of Your pasture upon the food of Your Word and Sacraments. Bless Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison presiding in the Synod; our district president; Rev. Dr. Roger Paavola, our pastors and all church workers that their service may be fruitful and faithful. Lord, in Your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

P: By Your power, O Lord, You order the nations of the earth and hold our leaders accountable for justice, for the promotion of virtue, and for peace. Bless us with good and honest leaders who will hear and heed Your voice that we may live peaceful and quiet lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

# C: hear our prayer.

P: According to Your will, O Lord, You heal the sick. Hear us on behalf of all who suffer any ill of body or mind and grant them strength for the day and keep them in Your grace to everlasting life. Hear us especially for . . . Guard us against despair and keep us in the day of trouble. Lord, in Your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

P: By Your grace, O Lord, You have named us as Your own in the baptismal water and joined us to Christ's death and resurrection. Grant that by Your grace we may live holy, upright, and godly lives, displaying in our life and conduct the goodness of Your love and mercy. Lord, in Your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

P: As Your Son has granted, O Lord, we come to His Table there to receive the fruits of His redeeming work in this communion upon His body and blood. Nourish us for faithfulness in this life, and by this Holy Communion nurture in us the grace to keep us to everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

P: By Your love You have provided us with a great company of witnesses through time and history and encouraged us through their witness. Deliver the grieving from their sorrows, and bring us all together with Your servant Paul to behold You face to face in the life that death cannot overcome. Lord, in Your mercy.

## C: hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C:Amen.

## **OFFERING** + "He Will Hold Me Fast" (Getty)

When I fear my faith will fail Christ will hold me fast When the tempter would prevail He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold Through life's fearful path For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.

Refrain: He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast, For my Savior loves me so He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight Christ will hold me fast. Precious in His holy sight He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost His promises shall last Bought by Him at such a cost He will hold me fast. Refrain

For my life He bled and died Christ will hold me fast. Justice has been satisfied He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to endless life He will hold me fast 'Til our faith is turned to sight When He comes at last. Refrain

## **OFFERTORY** LSB 475 v.1

Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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#### + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

#### **PREFACE**

*P: The Lord be with you.* 2 *Timothy 4:22* 

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

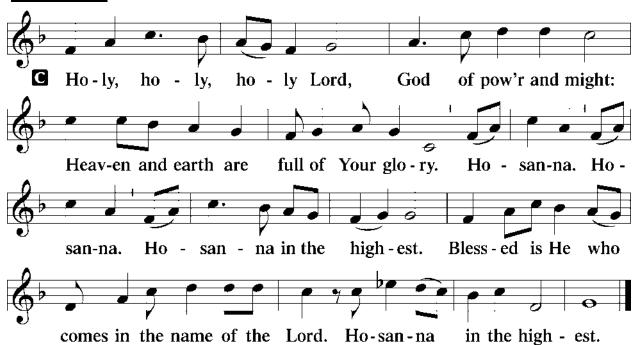
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 136

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

P: It is good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty God, everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who died our death to sin that we might rise in the power of His own resurrection and thus be restored to You for now and for all eternity. Having in remembrance all that He accomplished by His death and resurrection and desiring to be fed and nourished upon the food of His flesh and blood, we join with angels and archangels and all the company of the saints in light, evermore praising Your name and singing their unending hymn:

#### SANCTUS LSB 161



#### **LORD'S PRAYER** *Matthew* 6:9-11

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: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.

#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

#### **PAX DOMINI**

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

C: And also with you.

#### AGNUS DEI LSB 463 v.2

For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

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"See, What a Morning" (see page 14)
"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" LSB 680

Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be Thine the vision Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.

Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonder full surprise Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways Thine the glory Thine the story Then the welcome to the least Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

Thine the glory in the night No more dying only light Thine the river Thine the tree Then the Lamb eternally Then the holy holy Celebration jubilee Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

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#### POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P: Let us pray. We give You thanks, O Lord, that You have rescued us from our rebellion and redeemed us from sin and its death. Grant us grace that we may keep in holy hearts and live out in holy lives what we have here received in the Word of the Gospel and the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, and preserve us in this faith even to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C:Amen.

## **EASTER PROCLAMATION**

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

#### **BENEDICTION** *Numbers* 6:24–26

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and +give you peace.

C: Amen.

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN** "Our Paschal Lamb, That Sets Us Free" LSB 473

Our Paschal Lamb, that sets us free, Is sacrificed. O keep

The feast of freedom gallantly; Let alleluias leap:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Again Sing alleluia, cry aloud: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all our lives now celebrate The feast; let malice die.

Let love grow strong anew, and great, Let truth stamp out the lie.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Again Sing alleluia, cry aloud: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all our deeds, unanimous, Confess Him as our Lord

Who by the Spirit lives in us, The Father's living Word.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Again Sing alleluia, cry aloud: Alleluia! Amen!

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## **POSTLUDE**

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In our prayers this week: Kathie Jenkins, Kim Weidenhamer, John Mewbourn, Margo McKee, Gene Mallett, Marsha & Norman Mundinger, Noah Rhoden, Floyd Bearly, Mark Lemley, Violet Lakatos, Kelly McGugan, Dylan Bruns, Bruce Forsythe, Jeff & Ellen Strum, Sally Hornish Malmi, Lori Nogueira, Julie Bourie, Stephanie Dublin, Zachary Rakow, Loraine Andrews, Leigh Wilson, Chuck Fields, Zane Brooks, Tamara Scott, Sarah Gaddie, Allen Davis, Jeff & Cheryl Harrell, Bernie & Judy Jacquez, Randy Lusk, Wilber Brown, Marvin Ayers, Jerry House, Jackie Butler, Sarah Siskin Alpert, Norma & Tom Moore, Jennifer Andrews, Jean & Cliff Gorham, Howard Troyer, Mary Garrow, Micah Helms, Lorna Schmidt, Jean Rakow, Charlotte Cooper. Comfort Sara Guest as she mourns the passing of her mother, Joan. The Future Comfort Dog team that God would provide a Caregiver. Lord, we pray that You would bless and guide our DCE Call Committee. Send them Your Spirit of wisdom as they strive to do Your will for Christ the King.

The Altar flowers this week were given by:

Larry & Jennifer Marley in celebration of our 29th wedding anniversary Keith & Christy Murphy in honor of Nick's 28th birthday

Sign up for a vase of Altar Flowers by going to <a href="https://bit.ly/CTKAltarFlowers2025">bit.ly/CTKAltarFlowers2025</a> or contact the Church Office and we'll sign you up! Each vase is \$35.

If you are a first-time visitor with us today, welcome! Please stop by the Information Desk in the Narthex after the service so we can greet you with a gift of thanks for being with us today. May God bless your worship.

**TODAY IS MITE BOX SUNDAY!** PLEASE POUR YOUR MITES AND COINS INTO THE OVER-SIZED MITE BOX IN THE NARTHEX.

# See, What a Morning



Those Who Serve

Proclaimer Rev. Matthew Lynch Liturgist Rev. Mark Goble Organist Michella Novy

Offering Soloist: Caroline Johnson

Accompanist: Michella Novy

Hymn Leader Nicholas Tieman

Elders Johnny Behnke (L), Kevin Baskette

Nathan Eldridge (L), Steven Andrews

Acolytes Luca Calhoun-Williams,

Elayna Smith

Crucifers Charlotte Baskette (8:30)
Greeters Patti Willard, Maurice Troyer
Mike & Orma Simpson

Ushers Mike Watson, James Lewis, Kevin

Washburn, Alex Weiss, Parker

Magness

Bob Sturzenbecher, Barry Copley, Luke Swan, Keith Murphy, Jeff

Jungkans, David Joffre

Sound Walt Kosman, Murph Ellard, Kim

Goble, Jim Hofer, Peter Cothron,

Aaron Winter

#### **CALENDAR**

## <u>Today</u>

## Monday, May 5

• Board of Elders, 6:30<sub>pm</sub>, Room 201

## Tuesday, May 6

- Altar Guild, 11:45<sub>am</sub>
- Men's Bible Study, 7:00<sub>am</sub>, Parlour
- Nehemiahs, 8:00<sub>am</sub>

## Wednesday, May 7

- Adult Bible Study, 10:00<sub>am</sub>, Room 201
- Choir Rehearsal, 6:30<sub>pm</sub>

## Thursday, May 8

• Woodworking, 7:00<sub>pm</sub>, Workshop

Friday, May 9 No scheduled events

## Saturday, May 10

- Future Comfort Dog, 10:00<sub>am</sub>, Room 201
- Mother Daughter Tea, 3:00<sub>pm</sub>, Fellowship Hall

#### **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

<u>PK4 - 6th grade</u>: Join us in the Upper School Building as we continue our curriculum, CPH's Enduring Faith. We will meet in the room next to the exterior gym doors at 9:45am and divide into classes following the opening.

#### **CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Meet in Room 203 at 9:45am

#### YOUTH (9th-12th Grade)

Hey High Schoolers!

Join Mr. Nathan LeBorious for Sunday School in the youth room. We are exploring the book of John and discussing how it applies to our lives today as Christians and children of God in a world filled with distractions.

#### Middle Schoolers

You are invited to a party on May 16th, 6:00-9:00pm. Join us for food, fellowship and a devotion. Questions? please contact Nathan LeBorious, Nathan.leborious@ctkschool.com or 478.396.4830.

## ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

9:50am

Adult Bible Class Join Pastor Matt in the Fellowship Hall for "In the Beginning" a study of the first three chapters in Genesis. **NOTE:** Today we will meet in the Sanctuary

<u>"St. Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians"</u> led by Ernie Rakow, in the Library.

Adult Bible class led by Matt Adler & Kyle Brown, Room 202. The Third Day-Living the Resurrection.

Women's Sunday Bible Class led by Ashley Baskette, Room 201. "The Names of God".

#### WEEKLY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Wednesday Bible Class Mark your calendars for 10:00am each Wednesday for the adult Bible class. All are welcome.

Men's Bible Study Led by Gary Osing on Tuesdays at 7:00am in the Parlour. They are reviewing the books "The Freedom of a Christian" and "The Bondage of The Will" by Martin Luther.

## Ascension Worship Service May 29 @ 7:00pm

Please mark your calendars and celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord with your CTK family.

On Sunday, June 1, our CTK family of worshipers will come together for **One Service** at 10:00am. Immediately following the service, the Future Comfort Dog team will host a **Fish Fry** (Thank you Kevin Baskette and friends!) with all the sides. You're invited to come and celebrate with us! What are we celebrating, you ask?

- **Job Comfort Dog's 10th Birthday**! Watch for details on how you can make this his best birthday ever! We'll have a very special guest with a fluffy tail! Can you guess who it is?
- The almost one-year mark of Pastor Matt's ministry among us! It's hard to believe it's only been a year!
- The Future Comfort Dog Team as they wrap up their Golden Opportunity Fundraiser.

Sign up in the Rotunda today or go to bit.ly/JobIs10 to let us know you're coming! We'll have hot dogs & burgers for the kids.

#### **Stepping Stones Book Club**

Sunday, May 18 at 12:15 in Room 201. We will be discussing the book: *Findlay Donovan is Killing It* by Elle Cosimano. Join us as we discuss this fast-paced, witty story. Read the book and bring a snack to share and join us!

#### Lutheran Children's Camp

June 16-20 ~ Camp Clark Williamson

Register today for this week long camp for rising 3rd through 7th graders in nearby Humboldt, TN. LCC is a chance for the kids to experience God's word in the beautiful nature He created for us with fun and educational breakout sessions.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Calvary Rescue Mission's Chapel Pew! We were able to send them a check this week! We'd love to have you join us as we serve dinner the third Monday of each month. Talk to Gary Osing about how you can get involved!

#### CTK School

## Hoop City Summer Camps at CTK!

Christ the King is hosting 3 basketball camps this summer: May 27-30, June 9-12, and July 21-24 from 9:00am-4:00pm for ages 5-14. The regular price is \$295 but CTK members who register before May 15 will receive \$145 off by using Coupon Code "CTK" at checkout. Use the links below to go directly to the registration page for each camp.

bit.ly/HoopCityMay27 bit.ly/HoopCityJun9 bit.ly/HoopCityJul21

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Vacation Bible School ~ June 16-20 Road Trip ~ On the Go with God! Call the Church Office if you'd like to volunteer this year and stay tuned for more!

Faith in Action would is so grateful to the congregation for donating items for our Comfort Kits! We thank everyone who took the time to come out and create 40 backpacks filled with basic needs items that will help One More Child in Memphis. These kits are given to help meet some of their basic needs so that they can focus on healing from their circumstances. We very much appreciate that Claire Jaggers, LMSW, Director of Anti-Trafficking for Tennessee and North Carolina, gave such a great presentation. If you have questions about One More Child, please feel free to reach out to us. Your Faith in Action Team.

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**COMING SOON!** CTK's Connect Class, a two-part class designed for new and prospective members, will be offered on June 8 and 15, during the Bible Class hour. Covering a brief history of Christ the King, its current mission, and how you can become involved with events and ministries that match your talents and goals, the class will give you an opportunity to meet ministry leaders, ask questions, and find the answers! RSVP to Genie Swan at <a href="mailto:gswan@ctkmemphis.com">gswan@ctkmemphis.com</a>, or at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/ConnectClass2025.</a>

#### **Small Group Ministry**

Steven and Jennifer Andrews "The Arlington Saint and Sinner Club". Next meeting: May 14 at 7:00pm

Robyn Byrum "Crafting Moms" For parents of teens and college-age kids to share parenting tips, struggles, and prayers. For more info., contact Robyn at <a href="mailto:robynbyrum2@gmail.com">robynbyrum2@gmail.com</a>.

Jim Devan – Woodworking and Nehemiahs Woodworking: Meets Thursday nights at 7:00pm in the Nehemiah workshop. Learn, teach, create!

Nehemiahs: Meets every Tuesday, 8:00am. Projects around campus. Devotion with lunch provided.

Billy & Carol Kutteh - Paul's Letter to the Galatians meets on the fourth Saturday each month at 7:00pm. Next meeting: May 24

Michael Salzgeber and Lisa Bough "The Olive Branch Outpost" "Church History in Plain Language" by Bruce Shelley. Next meeting: May 13 at 7:00pm

Pastor Matt's Group For 20's and 30's. Contact Pastor Matt at pastormatt@ctkmemphis.com. Next meeting: May 15 at 6:00pm.

Homeschool Moms of CTK - Meets once a month to offer support and encouragement. For more information, contact Ashley Tieman at ashley.tieman@gmail.com.

