

**Messiah Lutheran Church—
Missouri Synod**



**Cantate
The Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2015
Divine Service II**

James 1:17 “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights.” God is the source of all goodness. When we do good, therefore, we imitate Him and reflect His light to all the world. Christians give freely because God has first given so freely to us: we are only imitating our Father, growing up into His likeness.

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

ATTENDANCE REGISTER: During the offering we ask that you sign the attendance register located at the center aisle of each pew.

Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit at the end of the service. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

+SERVING TODAY+

Preacher/Celebrant: Pr. Roemke

Elder: Todd Walther

Ushers: Mike Snodgrass & Sam Braya

Greeter: Gail Kulbacki

Organist: Monica Scholz

Altar Guild: Carol Hernandez, Doris Colombe, & Cara Russo-Bichsel

Altar Flowers: Provided by Chuck & Anita Brothers in honor of their 58th wedding anniversary.

Cookies: Today's cookies are provided by Scott & Kate Tobalsky.

Stand

Invocation

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Sing Forth God's Glory

MLC Choir

Kyrie

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This is the Feast

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Salutation and Collect of the Day



A The Lord be with you.



B And al - so with you.

Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 12:1-6

¹You will say in that day:
“I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

²“Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.”

³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.
⁴And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the LORD,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

⁵“Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.

⁶Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

LSB 556, v1-4

Epistle

James 1:16–21

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

¹⁹Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. ²¹Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



Holy Gospel

John 16:5–15

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



⁵[Jesus said:] “Now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

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Prayer of the Church

Sit

Offering

We Sing the Mighty Power of God

MLC Choir

Stand

Offertory-New Testament Canticle

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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+PRAYER LIST+

- ✠ For all the children and Christ Lutheran Academy Staff: Karen Moe, Ruth Mallmann, Stephanie Zuehls, Liesl Christensen, & Christa Hegland.
- ✠ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Andy Warren, Exor Padro, and for veterans.
- ✠ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki and Lillian Sciortino.
- ✠ For our adopted seminarian, Jacob Eichers, whom the Women's Bible Study is supporting.
- ✠ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Terri Nichols, Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Ron Hulke, Mike Gundlach (cousin of Sarah Billings), Al Bradmon (cousin of Steve Billings), Loretta Hulke, and John Wesoloski (friend of the Zuehls), Kathy Leisten (recovering from surgery), and Kellie Ratzburg (undergoing medical testing).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 3, 2015+

- ✘ **ROSE SALE:** We will again be selling roses on Mother's Day next week with proceeds benefitting Right to Life. Roses are \$2 with discounts on multiples.
- ✘ **KINGFISH GAME:** We have group pricing available for the Kenosha Kingfish game on Friday, May 29th. The game starts at 7:05 pm and tickets are \$18-\$22. If you are interested please email Allison at astephans22@gmail.com.
- ✘ **FIRST COMMUNION** will be celebrated on Sunday, June 7th. Children first grade and older are eligible to begin receiving the Lord's Supper. If you think your child is ready, please speak with Pastor Roemke to arrange an examination.
- ✘ **CONFESSION STUDY:** There will be no Lutheran Confessions Study this month due to Pastor being out of town. See you in June.
- ✘ **ASCENSION DAY:** We will have a Divine Service on Thursday, May 14th celebrating Ascension Day.
- ✘ **CLA CLOSING SERVICE** will be Sunday, May 24th. There will be a lunch following the service. Please see the sign-up sheet if you are able to contribute food or volunteer with set-up and clean-up.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,268
Lord's Work Received 4/26:	\$2,049
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-\$1,219
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-\$2,404

ATTENDANCE 4/26: 118 Communed: 98

+THIS MONTH'S EVENTS AT MESSIAH+

Sat	May 9	2:00pm	Mother's Day Tea
Mon	May 11	6:30pm	CLA Fine Arts Program
Thurs	May 14	6:30pm	Ascension Day Divine Service
Thurs	May 21	6:30pm	CLA Graduation
Sun	May 24	9:00am	CLA Closing Service & Lunch
Fri	May 29	7:05pm	Kingfish Game
Sun	May 31	9:00am	Confirmation
		2:00pm	Lamb of God's Closing Service

BIRTHDAYS

5/5 Allen Swift

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

5/3 Cara Zies

5/5 Hope Kentala

ANNIVERSARIES

5/9 Krista Bruneau

5/9 Wally & Gloria Pipkorn, 62 years