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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Divine Service, Setting 2
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(Series A)**

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

In the Upper Room, on the night before His death, Jesus spoke to disciples whose hearts were anxious and unsure. Into their fear He promised “another Helper,” the Spirit of truth, who would dwell with them and never leave them as orphans (John 14:16–18). Today that same Spirit gathers us, opening our hearts to trust the risen Christ whose love is not conditional or “iffy,” but certain, steadfast, and life-giving. As we worship, some of us witnessing a baptism and all of us remembering our own, we rejoice that the Father has claimed us as His children and placed His Spirit within us. On this Mother’s Day, we also give thanks for the women through whom God has shown us nurture, wisdom, and care, praying that He would strengthen mothers in their calling and comfort those who grieve or long for such joys. Confident in the Spirit’s presence and Christ’s promises, we come to walk in His love.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

[Jesus said:] “If you love Me, you will keep My commandments. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.”
John 14:15–17

WELCOME

✠PREPARATION✠

590 BAPTIZED INTO YOUR NAME MOST HOLY



1 Bap-tized in - to Your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, here You take me To be hence-forth Your
3 My faith - ful God, You fail me nev - er; Your prom - ise sure - ly
4 All that I am and love most dear-ly— Re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, here You make me
will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



A - mong Your saints, Your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
The fruit of all Your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
If words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
Help me Your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
com - fort me When threat-'ning clouds a - round I see.
come de - filed; For - give, lift up, re - store Your child.
am or own Serve an - y will but Yours a - lone.

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Stand

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

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION

LSB 167

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 167

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **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.**

ABSOLUTION

- P** 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 Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

✠WORD ✠

INTROIT

Psalm 119:89-93; antiphon: v. 105

P Your word is a lamp to my feet
C and a light to my path.

P Forever, O Lord, your word
C is firmly fixed in the heavens.

P Your faithfulness endures to all generations;
C you have established the earth, and it stands fast.

P By your appointment they stand this day,
C for all things are your servants.

P If your law had not been my delight,
C I would have perished in my affliction.

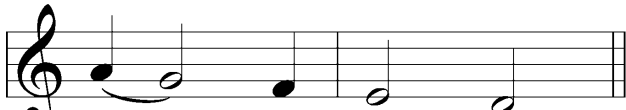
P I will never forget your precepts,
C for by them you have given me life.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Your word is a lamp to my feet
C and a light to my path.

KYRIE

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



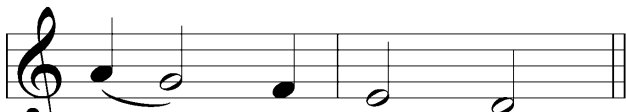
C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



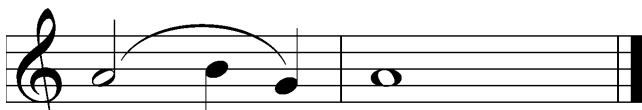
C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



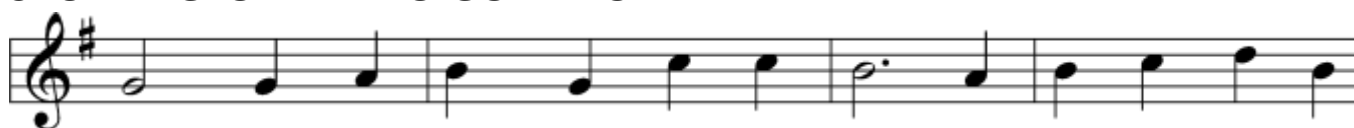
C Lord, have mer - cy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

948 ALL GLORY BE TO GOD ALONE



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, For - ev - er - more the
 2 We praise You, God; Your name we bless And wor - ship You in
 3 Lord God, our King on heav - en's throne, Our Fa - ther, the Al -
 4 You take the whole world's sin a - way; Have mer - cy on us,
 5 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One And o - ver all are



high - est one, Who did our sin - ful race be - friend And
 hum - ble - ness; From day to day we glo - ri - fy The
 might - y One. O Lord, the sole - be - got - ten One, Lord
 Lord, we pray. You take the whole world's sin a - way; O
 Lord a - lone. O Je - sus Christ, we glo - ri - fy You



grace and peace to us ex - tend. A - mong us may His
 ev - er - last - ing God on high. Of Your great glo - ry
 Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's Son, True God from all e -
 Lord, re - ceive our prayer this day. From God's right hand Your
 and the Spir - it, Lord Most High; With Him You ev - er -



gra - cious will All hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.
 do we sing, And to Your throne our thanks we bring.
 ter - ni - ty, O Lamb of God, to You we flee.
 mer - cy send, To all the world Your grace ex - tend.
 more shall be One in the Fa - ther's maj - es - ty.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

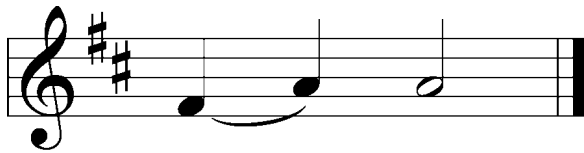
P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, our gracious Father, You loved us before we could ever love You and sent Your Son to redeem us and Your Spirit of truth to dwell within us. Grant that, trusting in Your certain and unfailing love, we may keep Christ's commandments with willing hearts and joyful lives, bearing witness to the hope that is ours because He lives. 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

FIRST READING

Acts 17:16-31

(Paul preaches Jesus and the resurrection, pointing Athenians to the “unknown God” who has been raised from the dead.)

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection.

¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

“‘In him we live and move and have our being’;

as even some of your own poets have said,

“‘For we are indeed his offspring.’

²⁹Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man.

³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 66: 8-20; antiphon: v. 8

- L** ⁸Bless our God, O peoples;
C let the sound of his praise be heard,
- L** ⁹who has kept our soul among the living
C and has not let our feet slip.
- L** ¹⁰For you, O God, have tested us;
C you have tried us as silver is tried.
- L** ¹¹You brought us into the net;
C you laid a crushing burden on our backs;
- L** ¹²you let men ride over our heads;
C we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.
- L** ¹³I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
C I will perform my vows to you,
- L** ¹⁴that which my lips uttered
C and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
- L** ¹⁵I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;
C I will make an offering of bulls and goats.
- L** ¹⁶Come and hear, all you who fear God,
C and I will tell what he has done for my soul.
- L** ¹⁷I cried to him with my mouth,
C and high praise was on my tongue.
- L** ¹⁸If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
C the Lord would not have listened.

L ¹⁹But truly God has listened;
C he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

L ²⁰Blessèd be God,
C because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me!

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

L ⁸Bless our God, O peoples;
C let the sound of his praise be heard,

EPISTLE

1 Peter 3:13-22

(Saved by Baptism, believers are prepared to give a reason for their hope in Christ the Lord.)

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water.

²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 173

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C' and contains the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?'. The second staff continues with 'You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.' The music consists of simple quarter and eighth notes.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

(Until He returns, Jesus promises to surround His disciples with truth by sending the Holy Spirit.)

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

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time. It begins with a common time signature 'C' and contains the lyrics 'Glo - ry to You, O Lord.' The music consists of simple quarter notes.

¹⁵*[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.*

18 "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C **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.**

LAMB'S MESSAGE

556 DEAR CHRISTIANS, ONE AND ALL, REJOICE

sts. 1, 3, 5, 7, 9



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joi-ce, With ex - ul - ta - tion
 3 My own good works all came to naught, No grace or mer - it
 5 God said to His be - lov - ed Son: "It's time to have com -
 7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and
 9 "Now to My Fa - ther I de - part, From earth to heav'n as -



spring - ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
 gain - ing; Free will a - gainst God's judg - ment fought, Dead to all
 pas - sion. Then go, bright jew - el of My crown, And bring to
 cas - tle. Your ran - som I My - self will be; For you I
 cend - ing, And, heav'n - ly wis - dom to im - part, The Ho - ly



rap - ture sing - ing, Pro - claim the won - ders God has done, How
 good re - main - ing. My fears in - creased till sheer de - spair Left
 all sal - va - tion. From sin and sor - row set them free; Slay
 strive and wres - tle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And
 Spir - it send - ing; In trou - ble He will com - fort you And



His right arm the vic - t'ry won. What price our ran - som cost Him!
 on - ly death to be my share; The pangs of hell I suf - fered.
 bit - ter death for them that they May live with You for - ev - er."
 where I am you may re - main; The foe shall not di - vide us.
 teach you al - ways to be true And in - to truth shall guide you.

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SERMON

VOTUM

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C** Amen.

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. Please **send** your offerings to
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
4801 Anderson Avenue
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2. **Electronic Funds Transfer**
Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: John 14:15 – “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.” Jesus is clear: our obedience to His Word comes from our love for Him. But where does that love come from? Jesus tells us that as well: “Her sins, which are many, are forgiven — for she loved much” (Luke 7:47). Christ shows us His love and gives us the forgiveness of our sins, which causes love to well up in us and thereby keep the commandments of Jesus. For after all, the summary of the Law is “love.”

OFFERING

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Lord Jesus Christ, You have not left us as orphans but have given us the Spirit of truth, who dwells with us and will be in us. Strengthen Your Church throughout the world, that having received life in Your name, we may gladly speak to others of the hope that is ours because You live. Make our words and works faithful witnesses to Your resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, let Your Spirit be at work through our Synod president; our district president; our circuit visitor; and all pastors. As they proclaim Your Word, grant that the Spirit would teach us all things and bring to our remembrance everything Your Son has said (John 14:26). Keep them steadfast in truth and joyful in service. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord of heaven and earth, You have given the Spirit of truth to dwell in us through Holy Baptism. Guard the feet of this congregation and its catechumens, that we may not slip into sin or unbelief but live in praise of Your name before the world. Make our homes places where Your commandments are treasured and Your love is shown. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, on this Mother's Day we give You thanks for our mothers, through whom You have given us life and shown us care. As Your Son honored and obeyed His mother (Luke 2:51), teach us to honor the women who have nurtured us. Strengthen all women with child and grant them safe delivery. Comfort all women who long for children but cannot, that they may find their consolation in Your unfailing love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, You made from one man every nation of mankind (Acts 17:26). Grant good leaders in every land who seek peace and serve justice. Frustrate the causes of evil, violence, and oppression. Prosper all efforts that promote righteousness and protect the weak. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Listening Lord, You attend to the cries of Your people and hear us when we call. Look with mercy upon all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially [*names may be spoken here*]. Give them patience in their trials, comfort in their sorrows, and confidence that You will not abandon them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Triune God, You have placed Your name upon us in Baptism and made Your dwelling within us. Quiet our troubled hearts with the assurance of Your love, and by Your Spirit's power help us keep Christ's commandments with willing hearts. Grant that we may live in the certainty that because He lives, we also will live (John 14:19). 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, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

P Let us pray.

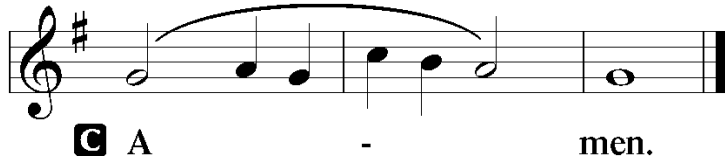
Lord Jesus Christ, You have promised that You will not leave us as orphans but will come to us and give us the Spirit of truth to dwell within us. Strengthen our faith in Your unfailing love, calm our troubled hearts, and guide us to walk in Your commandments with joy. On this day, we also thank You for our mothers and for all women through whom You have shown us care and blessing. Uphold them in Your grace, and comfort those who long for children but cannot, that all may rest in Your steadfast love. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICTION

LSB 183

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



GREET ONE ANOTHER

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “The Lord be with you,” “Peace be with you,” or “The peace of the Lord be with you”.

842 SON OF GOD, ETERNAL SAVIOR



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and
2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us
oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;
Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and pas - sion,
truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in
Free-ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the
Bid its cru - el dis - cords cease. By Your pa - tient years of
Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your
sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards
toil - ing, By Your si - lent hours of pain, Quench our fe - vered
will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.
thirst of plea - sure, Stem our self - ish greed of gain.
hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

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