

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

## THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### MAY 5, 2024

*10:45 AM Praise Worship Service with Holy Communion*

*Good Shepherd Lutheran Church warmly welcomes people of any age, race, nationality, sexual orientation, life circumstance, and physical or mental capability.*

\*You are invited to stand

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## GATHERING

**Gathering Music**

**Praise Team**

**Welcome**

**\*Easter Proclamation** *(repeat three times)*

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**\*Thanksgiving at the Font** *(turn and face the baptismal font)*

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

**C** Amen.

**P** Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters at creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy all living things.

Through the waters of the flood you carried those in the ark to safety. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery to freedom. In the wilderness you nourished them with water from the rock, and you brought them across the river Jordan to the promised land.

By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, and the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your daughters and sons, no longer slave and free, no longer male and female, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

## \*Gathering Song

## "He Lives"

Words and Music by Anthony Skinner, Chris McClarney and Jonathan Smith; © Bethel Music Publishing SESAC |  
Thirsty Boots Music | Capitol CMG Genesis | Tiny Hits | Be Essential Songs | Cashagamble Jet Music

### Verse 1

See the tomb where He laid  
See the stone rolled away  
He is risen He is risen He's alive  
See His hands see His feet  
Touch His scars and believe  
He is risen He is risen He's alive  
Oh He's alive

### Chorus

He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever amen  
Jesus lives

### Verse 2

Hear the shackles breaking free  
Hear the song of the redeemed

He is moving He is moving He's alive  
So take this freedom take this love  
Can you feel it rising up  
He is here He is here He's alive

### Final Chorus

He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever amen  
Jesus  
He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever amen  
Jesus lives  
Jesus lives  
He is risen He is risen He's alive

## \*Greeting

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

## \*Prayer of the Day

**P** Let us pray. O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **G** **Amen.**

## WORD

### First Reading

**L** A reading from Acts  
*At conclusion of reading*

**L** The Word of the Lord. **G** **Thanks be to God.**

**Acts 10:44-48**  
*Pew Bible, Page 1003*

## Second Reading

📖 A reading from First John.

*At conclusion of reading*

📖 The Word of the Lord. 🙏 Thanks be to God

**1 John 5:1-6**

*Pew Bible, Page 1112*

## Children's Message

### \*Gospel

📖 The holy gospel according to John.

*At conclusion of reading*

📖 The gospel of the Lord. 🙏 Thanks be to God.

**John 15:9-17**

*Pew Bible, Page 983*

## Meditation

**Pastor Karen Boda**

### \*Song of Day

### "The Greatest Commandment"

*Words and Music by Paul Zach; © Integrity's Alleluia! Music | Paul Zach Publishing*

#### Chorus

Love the Lord your God  
With all your heart and soul and mind  
And love your neighbor as yourself  
(Repeat)

#### Verse

Let us be known let us be known  
By the way we love  
Let us be known let us be known  
By the way we love

#### Chorus

Love the Lord your God  
With all your heart and soul and mind

And love your neighbor as yourself  
(Repeat)

#### Verse

Let us be known let us be known  
By the way we love  
Let us be known let us be known  
By the way we love

#### Bridge

Love love love the greatest commandment is  
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Love love love the greatest commandment is  
love

## \*Affirmation of Faith

**☒** 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

*The Assisting Minister will close each petition with the words, "God of grace," worshippers respond with the words, "hear our prayer".*

## \*Peace

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **☒** And also with you.

*(Please greet one another with a friendly word or gesture of God's peace.)*



## Offering

*The "Who's Who in the Pew" pads are passed as the offering is received. For online giving, see the QR code on the back page.*

## Offering Anthem

## "Let Us Be Known By Our Love"

## Praise Team

*- Words and Music by Micah Massey, Ryan Flanigan, Matt Armstrong and Nate Moore*

## \*Offering Prayer

**A** Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **☒** Amen.

## \*Words of Institution

## \*Lord's Prayer

**☒** 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.

## **\*Invitation to Communion/**

### **Communion/Communion Songs**

#### **"I Believe In That Love"**

*Words and Music by Larry Olson; © 1993 Dakota Road Music*

##### **Verse 1**

I believe in a love that is born in the song of a baby's cry.

I believe in a love that lives on and on even when we die.

I believe in a love that reaches out, embracing all our pain and doubt.

##### **Chorus**

I believe in that love, I believe

I believe in that love

I believe in that love, I believe

I believe in that love

##### **Verse 2**

I believe in a love that is felt in the touch of a helping hand.

I believe in a love that sees differences and seeks to understand.

I believe in a love that has no bounds, no class or race to hold it down.

(Chorus)

##### **Verse 3**

I believe in a love that is here at the heart of a mystery.

I believe in a love that forgives, forgets, heals and sets us free.

I believe in a love that loses self for the sake of life for someone else. (Chorus)

#### **"Great Things"**

*Words and Music by Phil Wickham and Jonas Myrin; © 2018 Capitol CMG Paragon | Son of the Lion | Phil Wickham Music | Simply Global Songs | Sing My Songs*

##### **Verse 1**

Come let us worship our King

Come let us bow at His feet

He has done great things

See what our Savior has done

See how His love overcomes

He has done great things

He has done great things

##### **Chorus 1**

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave

You free every captive and break every chain

O God You have done great things

We dance in Your freedom awake and alive

O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high

O God You have done great things

##### **Verse 2**

You've been faithful through every storm

You'll be faithful forevermore

You have done great things

And I know You will do it again

For Your promise is yes and amen

You will do great things

God You do great things

## Chorus 2

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave  
You free every captive and break every chain  
O God You have done great things  
We dance in Your freedom awake and alive  
O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high  
O God You have done great things  
You have done great things  
O God You do great things

## "Because of Your Love"

*Words and Music by Paul Baloche and Brenton Brown; © 2006 Thankyou Music | Integrity's Hosanna! Music*

### Intro

Yeah yeah  
Yeah yeah

### Verse

As we come into Your presence  
We remember ev'ry blessing  
That You've poured out so freely from above  
Lifting gratitude and praises  
For compassion so amazing  
Lord we've come to give You thanks  
For all You've done

### Chorus

Because of Your love we're forgiven  
Because of Your love our hearts are clean  
We lift You up with songs of freedom  
Forever we're changed because of Your love

### Ending

Yeah Yeah

## \*Post Communion Blessing

☞ May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. ☞ **Amen.**

## \*Prayer After Communion

☞ Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. ☞ **Amen.**

## Announcements

## SENDING

### \*Blessing

☞ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

☞ **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

☞ The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ☩ bless you now and always. ☞ **Amen.**

### \*Sending Song

### "Jesus Is Alive"

*Words and Music by Ron Kenoly; © 1987 Integrity's Hosanna! Music*

#### Chorus

Hallelujah Jesus is alive  
Death has lost its vict'ry  
And the grave has been denied  
Jesus lives forever  
He's alive He's alive

The curse of sin is broken  
And we have perfect liberty  
The Lamb of God has risen  
He's alive He's alive  
*(repeat chorus and verse)*

#### Verse

He's the Alpha and Omega  
The first and last is He

#### Ending

Hallelujah Jesus is alive

### \*Dismissal

☞ Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad!

☞ **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

### Sending Music

**Praise Team**

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