

**Saved By Grace  
Lutheran Church  
Easter 5  
*Theme: Sing!*  
May 18, 2025**



We are a Biblical church giving God's Word first place in our faith and life. We are a Lutheran church that proclaims forgiveness for all through Jesus Christ. We are a Christian church that gathers to praise God, to be strengthened by His Word, and to reach out to those around us in Christian love.

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**Welcome!** We are glad you can join us today. If you are a guest and/or If you would like a visit from the pastor, please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate. May God bless the hearing of his Word.

**1. A Hymn #367, "The Strife Is O'er"** (stand at the last verse)

**2. The Confession of Sin**

Dearly beloved! We have come together in the presence of God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for these great benefits that we have received at His hand, to set forth His most worthy praise, to hear his Holy Word, and to ask for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and salvation. O come, let us worship Him! Let us kneel and bow down before Him. Let us confess our sins with penitent hearts, and obtain forgiveness by His infinite grace and mercy.

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the devices and desires of our hearts. We have offended against Your holy law. We have done those things which we should not have done, and we have not done those things which we should have done. Have mercy on us, O Lord! Spare us and restore us, according to the promises You have declared to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord. For His sake grant that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name.**

The almighty and merciful Lord has granted us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins, grace for true repentance and amendment of life, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**3. The Versicles,**

♪ O Lord open my lips.

**And my mouth shall show forth Your praise**

Make haste O God, to deliver me.

**Make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: forever-more. A-men. Alleluia!**

**4. The Invitatory / Venite**

♪ O come, let us worship the Lord.

For He is our Maker.

♪ 'Oh come, let us sing to 'the LORD! Let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of 'our salvation. 'Let us come before His presence with thanks-'giving; and make a joyful 'noise to Him with psalms. 'For the LORD *is* the gre-'at God, And the great 'King above all gods. 'In His hand *are* the deep places of 'the earth; the strength of the hills is 'His also. 'The sea *is* His, for He 'made it; And His hands 'form-'ed the dry land. 'Oh come, let us worship and b-'ow down; Let us kneel before the 'LORD our Maker. 'For He is 'our God, And we are the people of His pasture, And the 'sheep of His hand. 'Glory be to the Father, and to 'the Son, and 'to the Holy Ghost. 'As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever 'shall be: for-'evermore. Amen.

**6: The Psalmody: Psalm 98**

*The Antiphon:*

Oh, sing to the `LORD a new song!/  
For He has done  
`marvelous things;

**His right hand and `His holy arm/  
have gained Him `the  
victory.**

*The Psalm:*

LORD has made known `His salvation;/ His righteousness He has revealed in the sight `of the nations.

**He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the  
`house of Israel;/ All the ends of the earth have seen the  
salva`tion of our God.**

Shout joyfully to the `LORD, all the earth;/ Break forth in song,  
rejoice, `and sing praises.

**Sing to the `LORD with the harp,/  
With the harp and the  
`sound of a psalm,**

With trumpets and the `sound of a horn;/ Shout joyfully before  
`the LORD, the King.

**Let the sea roar, and `all its fullness,/  
The world and those  
`who dwell in it;**

Let the riv`ers clap their hands;/ Let the hills be joyful together  
`before the LORD,

**For ` He is coming/ to `judge the earth.**

With righteousness He ` shall judge the world,/ And the peoples ` with equity.

**Glory be to the Father, 'and to the Son, and to 'the Holy Ghost;  
/ as it was in the be-'ginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
forever-'more. Amen.**

**The Antiphon:**

Oh, sing to the ` LORD a new song!/ For He has done  
` marvelous things;

**His right hand and ` His holy arm/ have gained Him ` the  
victory.**

**7. The Lection, p. 112**

**Old Testament Lesson:** Isaiah 12:1-6

And in that day you will say: "O Lord, I will praise You; Though You were angry with me, Your anger is turned away, and You comfort me. Behold, God *is* my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; 'For Yah, the Lord, *is* my strength and song; He also has become my salvation.' " Therefore with joy you will draw water From the wells of salvation.

And in that day you will say: "Praise the Lord, call upon His name; Declare His deeds among the peoples, Make mention that His name is exalted. Sing to the Lord, For He has done excellent things; This *is* known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, O inhabitant of Zion, For great *is* the Holy One of Israel in your midst!"

**Hymn #378:1-4, Dear Christians One and All, Rejoice!"**

**Epistle:** James 1:16-21

Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God.

Hymn #378: 5-7, "Dear Christians One and All, Rejoice!"

**Gospel:** John 16:5-15

"But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless 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 depart, I will send Him to you. And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they do not believe in Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* now. However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you. All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare *it* to you.

8. A Hymn: #378:8-10, 'Dear Christians One and All, Rejoice!'

9. **Sermon Text and Theme:** John 16:5-15, "Jesus Sends the Counselor to Give You the Benefit of His Work"

10. An Offering

11. The Canticle Hymn #42 "God We Praise You"

12. The Suffrages and Hymn #359, "This Is the Feast" p. 140

14. The Collect, p. 118

The Lord be with you. ♪ **And with your spirit.**

Let us pray: O God, you make the minds of the faithful to be of one will: Grant unto Your people that they may love what You command, and desire what You promised; that among the manifold changes of this world, our hearts may always be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. ♪ **Amen.**

Lord God, Heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your boundless grace, for the sake of Your Son, You have given us the Holy Gospel, and have instituted the Holy Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and forgiveness of sin; we beseech You, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may believe Your Word; and through the Holy Sacraments day by day establish our faith, until we at last obtain salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. ♪ **Amen.**

**15. The Benedicamus, p. 141**

Let us bless the Lord. ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

**16. The Benediction, p. 141**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. ♪ **Amen.**

**17. Hymn #73, "Thine Is the Glory"**