6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 5, 2024





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"Preach. Teach. Reach."

Prelude

Welcome

Please rise.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.
- C Amen.
- P Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

- P At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- P Look, here is water!
- C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!



GATHERING HYMN

All Are Welcome



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HYMN OF PRAISE



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THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

C 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. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON



While Peter shares the good news of Jesus with a Gentile soldier and his family, the Holy Spirit comes upon them. Recognizing that the Spirit works inclusively in the lives of both Jews and Gentiles, Peter commands that these Gentiles also be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

- R ⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.
- R The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 98

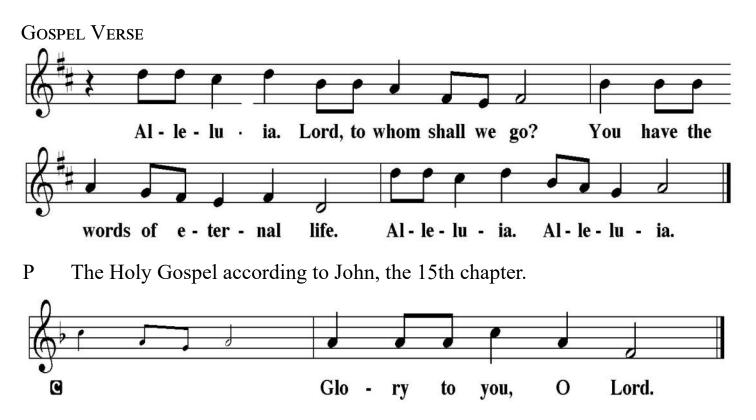
- R ¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.
- C ²O LORD, you have made known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- R ³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- C ⁴Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- R ⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.
- C ⁶With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.
- R ⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who dwell therein.
- C ⁸Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.
- R ⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

SECOND READING

1 John 5:1-6

God's children believe that Jesus is the Messiah and love God by keeping God's commandments. Thus the world is conquered not through military might but through love and faith.

- R ¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? ⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.
- R The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



On the night of his arrest, Jesus delivers a final testimony to his disciples to help them in the days ahead. Here, he repeats the most important of all his commands, that they love one another.

P [Jesus said:] ⁹"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."
P The Gospel of the Lord.



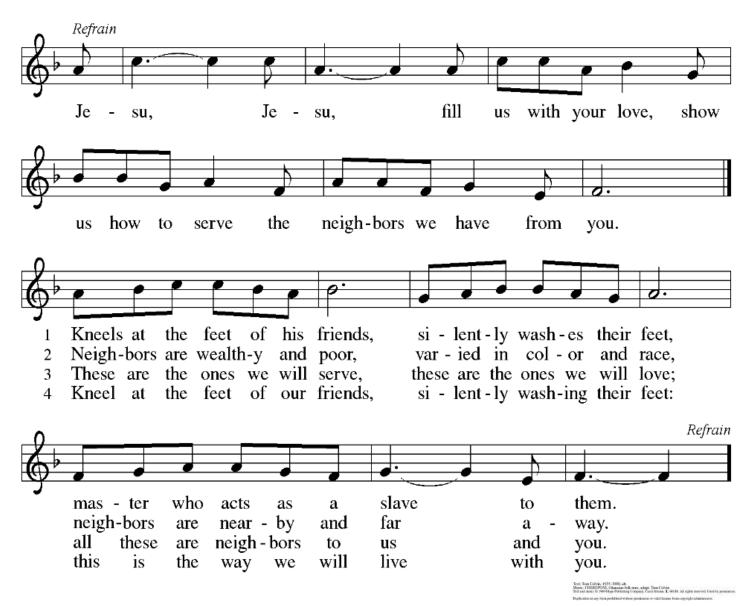
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Sermon

Pastor Bryan

Please rise.

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love





THE NICENE CREED

C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

R Your Holy Spirit falls upon all who hear the word. Fill your church with the gifts of your Spirit and give understanding hearts to those who strengthen our commitments with our ecumenical and interreligious partners. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R You speak and the face of the earth is renewed. Revive your creation, that habitats and every kind of living thing might flourish. Protect endangered species and help us to care for all your creatures. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R Your world is divided and the nations rage. Grant wisdom and vision to world leaders, that they may seek justice, peace, and the good of all. Strengthen international partnerships and cooperation. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R Your work is done in this place with our hands. Bless the ministries of this congregation that we may embody your love for the world. Inspire those who plan and lead worship, council members, committee members, and volunteers. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P Your children are in need. Comfort all those who suffer, especially those afflicted by anxiety, depression, and mental illness. Help us to be conduits of your love in our care for one another. We pray especially for Lisa Thompson, Mark Gehrke, Virginia Steward, June Chadwick, Martha Dallman, Marie McCoy, Jean Lothe, Peter Taylor, Carol Bean, Steve Chappell and all those we name upon our lips or in our hearts. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

- P Your blessed saints now rest in you. Give us thankful hearts for those who have gone before us. At the last, bring us all together around your heavenly banquet table. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
- C Amen.

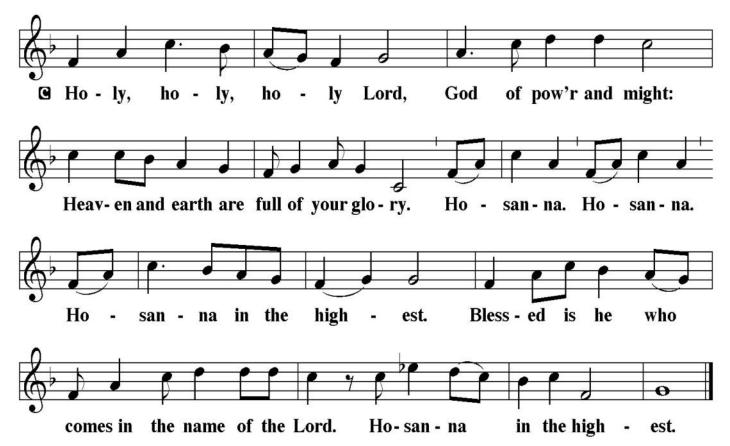
SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you. (*Greet one another with God's peace.*)

Please rise.

The Great Thanksgiving

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Please be seated.

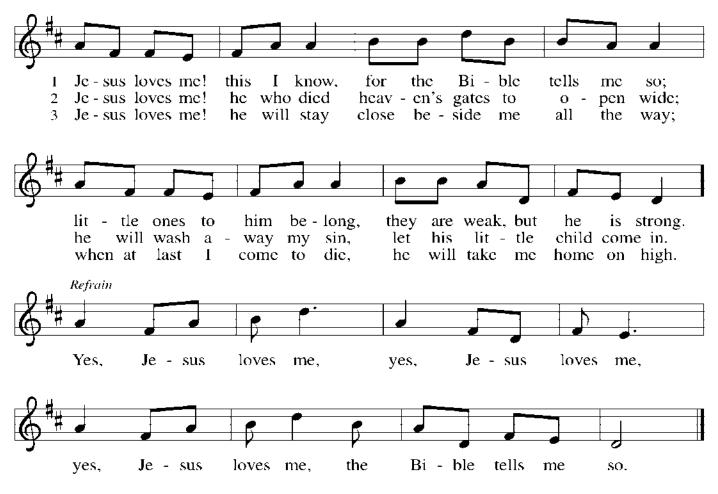
Communion Distribution & Hymns



Beautiful Savior

Text: *Gesangbuch*. Münster, 1677: tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

Jesus Loves Me!



Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915. alt. Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

Please rise.

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

COMMUNION PRAYER

P 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.

C Amen.

Blessing

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

- P The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always.
- C Amen.

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



Text: Henry van Dyke. 1852–1922 Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

- P Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY: Thank you for joining us at Burke for worship and fellowship! Please sign a card in the pew and/or the visitor book in the narthex.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

We teach that Jesus is truly present in the bread and the wine. All are invited to the table to share God's grace. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it, as well as gluten-free wafers.

> Please fill out a communion card and place it in the offering plate if you are communing today.

OUR STAFF

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PRAYERS & CARES

A Nursery (Youth Room) for children under six is located down the hallway near the church offices. Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children at worship.

Marie McCoy

Sonja Nielsen

Steve Chappell

Our Prayer List: Contact the church office with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Lisa Thompson (daughter of Bob & Jeannette Gehrke)

Mark Gehrke (son of Bob and Jeannette Gehrke)

Martha Dallman (Mother Kathy Sandridge)

Peter Taylor (friend of Diane McFarlin)

Virginia Steward

June Chadwick

Jean Lothe

Carol Bean

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Congregational Opportunities

BIBLE STUDY: Every Wednesday, at 1:00pm.QUILTING: Every Wednesday at 9:00am, no experience needed.BAND PRACTICE: Every Monday at 10:30am.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Bulletin deadline is noon on Wednesdays. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net or drop them off at the office.

Hospitalized?: Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church so we are notified.

2024 Offering Envelopes are available for pickup on the table in the narthex. Please help us get these distributed to your families.

YOUTH & KIDS

Sunday School: (ages 3 - grade 6) Children will start out in worship and be dismissed after the children's sermon.

CALL TO ACTION

May Food Pantry Focus: May focus is "Household Supplies," such as paper towel, foil, plastic wrap, paper plates, baggies, plastic cups, toilet paper, etc. Please place your non-perishable goods in the 'Donations' basket in the entryway and it will be delivered to the pantry.

Birthday Bags for River Food Pantry.

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.



THIS WEEK AT BURKE

Monday, May 6		Reach Board, 6:00pm
Wednesday, May 8	Quilting, 9:00am Men's Breakfast, 9:00am	Bible Study, 1:00pm
Sunday, May 12	Worship, 9:00am Sunday School, 9:00am	

WORSHIP LEADERS

	May 5 - 9:00am Service	May 12 - 9:00am Service	
Organist/Pianist	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	
Music Leaders	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	"The Band"	
Communion Assistant	Sharon Hughes	Julie Clark	
Communion Prep	Gloria Lundquist	Jeannette Gehrke	
Lay Reader	Cheryl Beckman	Deb Brown	
Usher Team	Bob Lenzendorf David Hanson	Roger Kittleson Rick Brandon	
Coffee Hour			
Counters	Gloria LundquistGloria LundquistRose HaneyDeb Brown		
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ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday 9:00am Total 43	Sunday 9:00am	Total	43
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