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The Fifth Sunday of Easter, Sunday, May 15, 2022

CONFESSION ELW p. 94

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

L: In the name of the Father,
and of the ✚ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FORGIVENESS ELW P. 241

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. Through the Holy Spirit God cleanses us and gives us the power to proclaim the mighty acts of the one who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,

and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ELW # 384

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

- 1 That Easter day with joy was bright;
the sun shone out with fairer light
when, to their longing eyes restored,
th'apostles saw their risen Lord!
- 2 O Jesus, king of gentleness,
with constant love our hearts possess;
to you our lips will ever raise
the tribute of our grateful praise.
- 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all
in this our Easter festival,
for you will be our strength and shield
from ev'ry weapon death can wield.
- 4 All praise, O risen Lord, we give
to you, once dead, but now alive!
To God the Father equal praise,
and God the Spirit, now we raise!

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

GREETING ELW p. 147

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE ELW p. 147 (*Congregational response is sung*)

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: 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 mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE ELW p.149 (*Congregational response is sung*)

L: This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia.

**C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
and honor and blessing and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God.**

Alleluia.

**Sing with all the people of God
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

L: O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

"As A Little Child" by Evie, Maggie, and Bella Schaumberg and Chuck Stellmacher

FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But a second time the voice

answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" ¹⁸When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

PSALM: Psalm 148

L: Hallelujah! Praise the LORD^l from the heavens;
praise God in the heights.

**C: Praise the LORD, all you angels;
sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.**

L: Praise the LORD, sun and moon;
sing praise, all you shining stars.

**C: Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens.**

L: Let them praise the name of the LORD,
who commanded, and they were created,

**C: who made them stand fast forever and ever,
giving them a law that shall not pass away.**

L: Praise the LORD from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps;

**C: fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing God's will;**

L: mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;

**C: wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds;**

L: sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;

**C: young men and maidens,
old and young together.**

L: Let them praise the name of the LORD,
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.

**C: The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all faithful
servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.”

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW page #151



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



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The holy gospel according to John the Thirteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW # 377

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

- 1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

Refrain

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

- 2 Walking the way, Christ in the center
telling the story to open our eyes;
breaking our bread, giving us glory:
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. *Refrain*
- 3 Jesus the vine, we are the branches;
life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;
heaven to earth, Christ to the people,
gift of the future now flowing to me. *Refrain*
- 4 Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent:
death put asunder, and Easter is bright.
Cherubim sing: O grave, be open!
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. *Refrain*
- 5 City of God, Easter forever,
golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
river of life, saints and archangels,
sing with creation to God the I AM! *Refrain*

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926 Text © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

Apostles Creed

**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 prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

L: Loving God, lead us to follow your Spirit, rather than our own prejudices or desires, as the church cares for one another. Open us to perceive your gifts in those we least expect. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Inspire us to praise you through the beauty and majesty of the natural world around us. Urge us toward more deliberate care of the world you have made. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Humble the rulers of nations before your splendor. Direct them to the people who need their attention most, and turn them from the temptation to hoard wealth or power. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Hasten to dwell among those who are in pain or distress. As Christ enters our deepest suffering, remain with those experiencing despair and great need. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Place holy love at the center of all our relationships and communities. By your love heal us, convict us, and renew us. Bring an end to racism in our churches and communities. Let everyone know your goodness by the love we show one another. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: Give us a place in the diverse company of your beloved saints. Teach us the value of each person's identity, and bless us with a shared identity as your children, kindred of Christ. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ELW page # 152 (*Congregational response is sung*)

L: The Lord be with you:

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts:

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

L: It is indeed our duty and joy and join in their unending hymn:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

THE COMMUNION BLESSING

May this body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in true faith until life everlasting.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.
Amen.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.
Amen.

THE SENDING

P: God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.
C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN ELW # 881

Let All Things Now Living

- 1 Let all things now living
a song of thanksgiving
to God the creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us,
God's light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished
and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

- 2 God rules all the forces:
the stars in their courses
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains,
the rivers and fountains,
the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing
our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise
till all things now living
unite in thanksgiving:
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892-1980, alt.

THE DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, Serve the Lord.
C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Emmanuel! If this is your first time at Worship with us, We are grateful for you and hope you will Worship with us again. Emmanuel has a *Family Room* sitting area located just off the sanctuary with couch seating and a television that shows a livestream of today's Worship. This area is for those who might want to calm down, get the wiggles out, or regain a sense of security before rejoining the group. Please feel welcomed and invited to enjoy this area. The *Family Room* can be reached by going through the doorway with the letter "B" above it.

***Christ in Our Home* devotionals and Parish Visitors are available at the church just outside the glass front door. If you need it mailed to you, please call the church office.**

The flowers are placed in memory of Harold's birthday and our anniversary by Cindy Haak.

The hanging basket is placed in honor of Harold and Thelma Tech on their 70th anniversary by their family.

The red rose is placed by the Altar Circle in honor of the baptism of Theo Nathaniel Cherne.

Being Baptized today is Theo Nathaniel Cherne, his parents are Nate and Kelly Cherne. His sponsors are Brenda Goaley and Dan Chipman.

Speaking About Autism at Coffee Hour May 15 -Matthew and Mitchell LaBerge with Speaking About Autism will be joining us for coffee hour on May 15 at 9:15. Matthew and Mitchell are autistic young adults who provide speaking and consulting about Autism Spectrum Disorders. They will be sharing with us their experiences about using playgrounds as children and their perspectives on what would be helpful to children/families now. Please make plans to join us.

All seniors and their families are invited to Baccalaureate worship on Sunday, May 22 at the 8:00 and 10:30 am services. Graduates will be recognized. Please join us for this faith milestone for your young adult. Seniors if you would like you can to wear your caps and gowns. If you would like to submit photos of your graduate for a slide show email them to emmanuel.luth.seymour@gmail.com. There will be a cake reception in Fellowship Hall between worship services to honor the class of "2022" graduates.

Due to popular demand, Seymour's Boy Scout Troop 117 will be offering two Electronics Recycling Events this year for our community!! Our first event will be held on Saturday, May 21st, from 8am - 12:00 noon in the parking lot at St John's Catholic Church. Time to do your spring clean-up at home and recycle anything with a cord - and much, much more! Please be aware that there is a nominal fee for computer monitors, TVs (based on size), A/C units, dehumidifiers, refrigerators and freezers. We can not accept aerosol cans, gas, oil, paint/primer or paint cans. And mark your calendars now for October 8th as well! For questions, please contact Tina Kemp (920-606-6830).

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has shawls available for anyone. The shawls can be obtained by contacting the church office or Pastor Ty. Our Ministry meets the last Tuesday of the month in

the club room at 1:00 pm. New members are always welcome. If you would like more information on the prayer shawl ministry you can contact me (Charlene) at 920-833-7301.

Worship Schedule
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 <https://www.facebook.com/groups/emmanuelseymour>

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday May 14—9:00-3:00 pm Flea Market

Sunday, May 15--8am Worship, 9:15am Autism Education speaker open to everyone, 10:30am Worship

Thursday, May 19—6:30pm Worship

Sunday, May 22--8am & 10:30am Worship with Baccalaureate

Thursday, May 26—6:30pm Worship

Sunday, May 29--9am Worship Inside with Healing & 10:00am Worship Outside with Healing

****All Indoor Worship will be live streamed using Facebook and Youtube links listed**





YOU are invited to our day camps...
Emmanuel Lutheran of Seymour is sponsoring

June 4 *Bikin' the Blackmour* (Meet at Don's Quality Market)
6-14 year olds 8-10 am (Big kids and parents welcome)

June 7 *Art in the Park* at Rockledge Park, 534 W High Street, Seymour.
6-9 year olds 9-11 Lunch 11-11:30 10-14 year olds 11:30am-2:30pm
Registration fee \$10*

June 8 *Golf at Crystal Springs*, N8055 French Rd, Seymour
6-14 year olds 11-3:30
Registration fee \$25*

June 9 *Faith and Science*, Fallen Timbers W4531 Robin Rd, Black Creek
6-12 year olds 8:30-11:30,
Lunch at 11:30
Registration fee \$10*

June 28 *Soccer* at field located at middle school complex
6-14 year olds 1-3pm
Registration fee \$5*

Each camp will include...

- +Faith devotions
- +Interaction with trained staff
- +Take home gift

Registration forms and fees can be accessed and paid by going to www.seymourfaith.org