

May 5, 2024 ~ 6th Sunday of Easter

Gathering Music ~ Mark Handford

Welcome and Announcements ~ Don Tulley, liturgist

Prelude and Procession of the Elements of Communion

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: We come to worship our God of Grace and Love.

People: We come from different places and spaces, yet we are welcomed by God.

Leader: For we are all children of God, beloved by our maker.

People: Let us lift our praises to our Maker, Redeemer and Advocate! Amen.

**you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

**Hymn ~ "Your Grace Is Enough" (M. Maher)*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

God of Grace, God of Mercy, we come to you bringing our hurts and hopes. Hear our prayers. Where we have strayed from you, guide us back to the paths you have called us to. Comfort us and challenge us where we need it. May we always remember your love and grace. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus ~ *"Because He Lives" (refrain)*

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow. Because He lives, all fear is gone.

Because I know He holds the future, and life is worth the living just because He lives.

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #286 ~ *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (v.1)*

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Offering Prayer

**Doxology ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Avery and Marsh)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 98

Special Music ~ *"The Upper Room"* (D. Besig) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ Mark 8:22-25

Message ~ "Keep the Bible Weird: Did Jesus have an off day?"

*Hymn #743 ~ *"Step by Step"* (x2)

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Congregational Response: Lord, hear our Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer ~ *in unison*

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ~ *responsive*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

"All Belong Here"~ (L. Rand/H. Rand) as recorded by The Many
***Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.
Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.
At this table come as you are, broken and bleeding's ok.
At this table eat and be filled, come and drink in this grace.
Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.
Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.***

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn #853 - *"We are Marching in the Light of God"*

*Benediction

*Choral Response #80- *"You Shall Go Out with Joy"*

*You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands;
the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.*

Postlude

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The Annual Offering for the Foundation is received today.
An envelope is provided in your packet. Checks are payable directly to the
St. Paul's Foundation.

From Norma Sander, concert manager ...*"Sincere thanks from all of us in
the Detroit Lutheran Singers for hosting our spring concert. We love singing in
churches that are new to us. May the Lord richly bless your congregation."*

From Kathy Potter...Greetings! ROMANS 12:4 will be meeting WEDNESDAY, May 22nd at
12 noon to assemble condiment/utensils kits for Crossroads Soup Kitchen!!! We will join
for a fabulous meal prepared by the VanEcks & the project in the Social Hall as usual, but
please note, the day has changed. There have been requests for ROMANS to sometimes
meet midweek, so we are giving this a try! I hope we see all our Sunday regulars as well
as those requesting midweek opportunities! All are invited to participate! See you then!

Our June ROMANS 12 event will again support Clean Love by assembling women's
hygiene kits. ROMANS will be taking place in conjunction with Vacation Bible School on
Sunday, June 23rd following worship. Our VBS children will be collecting some items
during VBS. We will begin our congregational collection of items on Sunday, May 19th
and end on June 23rd, the day of the event. Please consider donating items or, if you
prefer, funds (so that Faith Formation can purchase items to reach our goal).

Must have items needed are:

Individually wrapped toothbrushes (100); Travel sized toothpaste (100)

Deodorant, neutral or women's (100); New women's socks (100 pair)

Travel size flushable wipes (100); Tampons, individually wrapped

Sanitary napkins, individually wrapped

Other items listed below are welcome, but not essential.

Lip balm, combs, hair ties, travel size soaps, bandages, travel size tissues packs A
basket will be in the lobby beginning May 19th. Thank you!

Vacation Bible School will be taking place on Monday - Thursday, June 17th - 20th, from
9am - 12 noon daily! Please mark your calendars & begin to pray about your role & what
children to whom you might extend an invitation! Thank you!

Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE!



Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin
August and Faith Kornowicz, Karen Bright, Steve Boyak, Sheldon Davis, Pam Phillips
Suzanne Tabaka, Jim Roye, Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell
Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips, Anna Richardson, Nate Statly (MSU shooting victim) ~ friend of Joey Nicholas
Linda Handyside ~ daughter of Carol Falle; Kris Purdy ~ niece of Grace Erwin
Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips
Elizabeth ~ sister-in law of Pat Garvey and Andy ~ nephew of Pat Garvey
Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff
Joan Velis and family; John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski
Dominick Riley and his wife, Logan ~ great nephew and his wife of Meta Tulley
Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham
Cousins of Terry Earnley and Jennifer Speiles ~ friend of Terry Earnley
Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz
Ray and Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley
Richard Rosenberg and Mike Hyatt ~ friends of Judy McGregor
Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August and Faith Kornowicz
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock
Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen, Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean
Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit; Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt
Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of the late Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis