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**7th Sunday of Easter**

**May 29, 2022, 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel and on Facebook Live**

**Classic Communion Service**

Here at Gethsemane we practice open communion, meaning all who believe in the power of Jesus Christ to bring salvation are welcome to join in. In our Lutheran understanding, both sacraments—Baptism and Holy Communion—are best conducted among the gathered assembly. If you are present on this live-stream, you are present in our assembly. The body of Christ is not limited by place or time, so even if you are on the replay of this service, you are part of our assembly. Any bread and any wine or grape juice will do. If you are celebrating as a family, please feel free to break the bread into the right number of portions or have a separate piece for each person. Same with the cup. You may have one cup for all or each member of the household use a separate cup. We believe the Christ is fully present in both Word and Sacrament, in both the bread and the wine/grape juice so if you only have one or the other, or even if you refrain from communion, you are not missing out. Remember it is not the type of bread or wine, nor is it the quantity, but it is your faith in taking the elements that is the window for the Holy Spirit to enter your life.

**Welcome**

**Gathering Song “Rise, O Sun of Righteousness” ELW #657** vss 1, 3, 5

1 Rise, O Sun of righteousness;

with your might creation bless.

Shine upon your church today,

showing all your gentle way.

Have mercy, Lord.

3 Gather in your scattered flock;

give us water from the rock.

Bless the unity we share

in our shepherd's loving care.

Have mercy, Lord.

5 Honor, praise, and glory be

to the holy Trinity!

May your gracious will be done:

make us one, as you are one.

Have mercy, Lord.

Text: Christian David, et al.; tr. Frank W. Stoldt, b. 1958

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**Thanksgiving for Baptism**

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

One: In the waters of baptism,

we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,

and we are a new creation.

**All: For this saving mystery, and for this water, we thank God,**

**who was, who is, and who is to come.**

(Water is poured into the font.)

One: We thank you, God, for your river of life,

flowing freely from your throne:

through the earth,

through the city,

through every living thing.

**All: You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;**

**You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.**

**Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,**

**and our sin is drowned forever.**

**You open the gate of righteousness**

**and we pass safely through.**

One: In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.

You nourish us and enclose us in safety.

You call us forth and send us out.

In lush and barren places, you are with us.

You have become our salvation.

**All: Now breathe upon this water**

**and awaken your church once more.**

**Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.**

**Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.**

One: To you, our Beginning and our End,

our Shepherd and Lamb,

be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,

now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

**Greeting**

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

**All:** **And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

One: We join in prayer…

**All: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Hymn of Praise “Thine the Amen” ELW #826** vss 1, 5

1 Thine the amen thine the praise

alleluias angels raise

thine the everlasting head

thine the breaking of the bread

thine the glory thine the story

thine the harvest then the cup

thine the vineyard then the cup

is lifted up lifted up.

5 Thine the glory in the night

no more dying only light

thine the river thine the tree

then the Lamb eternally

then the holy holy holy

celebration jubilee

thine the splendor thine the brightness

only thee only thee.

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926

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**Children’s Message**

### First Reading: Acts 16:16-34

*Those who had enslaved a girl and used her powers to tell fortunes threw Paul and Silas into jail for ordering the spirit to come out of her and consequently ruining their business. In prison, Paul and Silas bring the good news of the gospel to the jailer and his family.*

### Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-21

*The ascended Christ, hidden from our sight, promises to come again. We eagerly pray, “Come, Lord Jesus,” with all who respond to this invitation.*

### Gospel: John 17:20-26

*Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God’s mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.*

**Sermon**  Pastor Karla

**Hymn of the Day “O Master, Let Me Walk with You” ELW #818**

1 O Master, let me walk with you

in lowly paths of service true;

tell me your secret; help me bear

the strain of toil, the fret of care.

2 Help me the slow of heart to move

by some clear, winning word of love;

teach me the wayward feet to stay,

and guide them in the homeward way.

3 Teach me your patience; share with me

a closer, dearer company,

in work that keeps faith sweet and strong,

in trust that triumphs over wrong,

4 In hope that sends a shining ray

far down the future's broad'ning way,

in peace that only you can give;

with you, O Master, let me live.

Text: Washington Gladden, 1836-1918, alt.

**Prayers of the People** (sung response)

“**Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying”**

Lord, listen to your children praying,

Lord, stir your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying,

send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Text: Ken Medema, b. 1943

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**Offering our Gifts for the Mission and Ministry of God’s Church**

We have prayed. We have sung. We have heard the Word. Now, being thankful for the ministry we are called to do, we invite you to offer yourself; your time, talents and treasure in faithful witness of the good things God has done for us and in confidence that our worship extends beyond this place and time. Your financial contributions are gratefully accepted to further the life and ministry of Gethsemane Lutheran.

**Communion**

One: Please feel free to join me in saying the words of Institution as printed in your bulletin…

**All: In the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it,**(*Break the Bread if appropriate*)**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.**

One: And now, join me in praying as our Lord Jesus taught us…

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

**Communion Blessing**

**Community Announcements**

**Blessing**

**Sending Song “Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand” ELW #441**

1 Oh, happy day when we shall stand

amid the heav'nly throng;

and sing with hosts from ev'ry land

the new celestial song,

the new celestial song.

2 Oh, blessed day when Christ shall come

and show himself as Lord,

and thousands meet in their new home

which Jesus has prepared,

which Jesus has prepared.

3 Oh, what a mighty rushing flood

of joy and love and peace

will roll down over us with good

and blessedness and grace,

and blessedness and grace.

4 O Lord, your grace is ev'rything;

your love has made us free

to stand among the saints and sing

the glory that we see,

the glory that we see.

Text: Wilhelm A. Wexels, 1797-1866; tr. composite

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**Sending**

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

One: So go in peace

**All: To explore the Faith**

One: Live in peace

**All: To express our faith to others**

One: Share the peace

**All: By inviting others to join us on this journey.**

**All: THANKS BE TO GOD. JOYFULLY TELL WHAT GOD HAS DONE!**

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