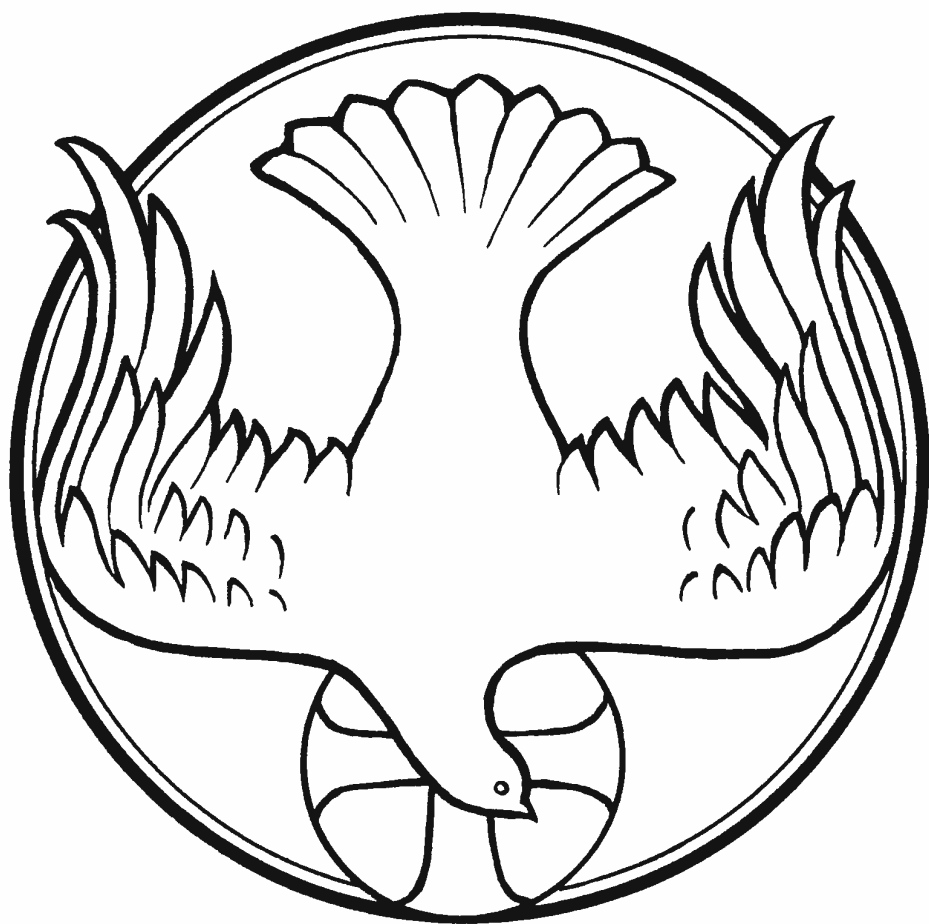


Sixth Sunday of Easter



St. Paul Lutheran Church
May 13 & 14 2023

Welcome to St. Paul

We are **broken** and **blessed** followers of Christ providing a **home** for all who wander the weary road.

We invite you to fill out a guest card in the pew rack, noting your attendance and place it in the offering plate as the offering is taken or you may sign the attendance book in the Fellowship Hall.

Our Mission

Gaining and nurturing disciples for Christ through the Word and Sacrament, and proclaiming to all people traditional Biblical truths as a congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Holy Communion

To Our Guests: We're glad you're here! Lutherans believe this sacrament is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine. Here he gives himself and all that he promises. Receiving the sacrament is also an expression of full unity in faith with those with whom you are communing. Based on this theological principle, if you are a member of a congregation that shares the confession of faith of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have been instructed concerning the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to commune with us today. We continue to pray for the day when all divisions in the body of Christ will cease. Anyone who wishes may receive a pastoral blessing by kneeling at the altar rail with your arms folded across your chest. If you desire to commune at St. Paul and would like to learn more about the Lutheran Church, please speak with the pastor.

To Those Communing Today: God's Word instructs those who come to the Lord's Table to first examine themselves. You may use the meditation material in this bulletin to prepare yourself to receive the Sacrament.

The pastor will distribute the body of Christ followed by an usher with a tray of individual cups. The pastor will then follow with the Chalice.

Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the pastor or an usher before the service.

Divine Service

Setting One (LSB page 151)

Prelude

Confession and Absolution

Stand as you are able

"Repentance, therefore, is nothing else than a return and approach to baptism, to resume and practice what has earlier been begun but abandoned" (Large Catechism)

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service Of The Word

Entrance Hymn

"We Know That Christ Is Raised"

LSB 603



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in His sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.



Em - braced by death, He broke its fear - ful hold;
Re - born, we share with Him an Eas - ter life
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the Church of God.



And our de - spair He turned to blaz - ing joy.
As liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.



Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!

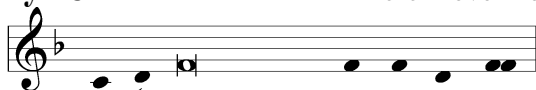
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Stand as you are able

Kyrie

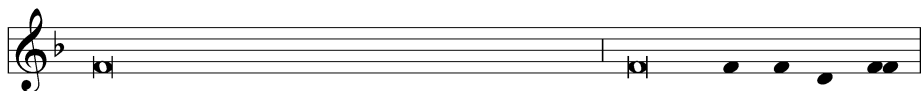
Lord Have Mercy



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



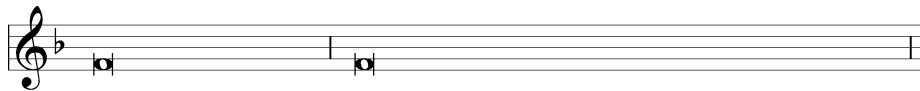
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



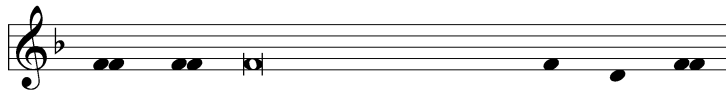
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - - men.

Hymn of Praise

This Is the Feast

Refrain



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



- 1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect Of The Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

○ God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

First Reading

Acts 17:16-31

¹⁶Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babblers wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?" ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new. ²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "'For we are indeed his offspring.'" ²⁹Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:8-20



- P** Bless our God, O peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard,
- C** **who has kept our soul among the living
and has not let our feet slip.**
- P** For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us as sil- ver is tried.
- C** **You brought us in- to the net;
you laid a crushing burden on our backs**
- P** you let men ride o- ver our heads;
we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to
a place of a- bundance.
- C** **I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
I will perform my vows to you,**
- P** that which my lips uttered
and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
- C** **I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals, with the
smoke of the sacri- fice of rams;
I will make an offering of bulls and goats.**
- P** Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.
- C** **I cried to him with my mouth,
and high praise was on my tongue**
- P** If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.
- C** **But truly God has listened;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.**
- P** Blesséd be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love
from me!

Epistle Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits

in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Stand as you are able

Alleluia and Verse

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



8 How blest are they who have not seen



And yet whose faith has con - stant been, For they e -



ter - nal life shall win. Al - le - lu - ia!

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Holy Gospel Reading

John 14:15-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the fourteenth chapter.



G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. ¹⁸"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

- 4 Now in many tongues and cultures
Songs of celebration ring;
Millions who confess our Savior
Honor Him as Lord and King
And, for courage, grace and guidance
Ev'ry day their prayers they bring.
- 5 To each coming generation
Tell the truth, persuade, explain,
Till the time when time is ended,
Till the Savior comes again—
Till the saints are all united
Under Christ's eternal reign!

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Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

(All may bow:

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man); and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of The Church

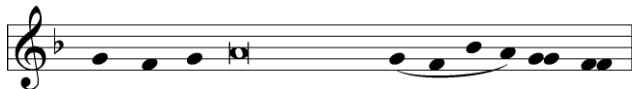
Greeting of Peace



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 Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer Of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You...one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words Of Institution

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

For Meditation During The Distribution

Small Catechism - The Lord's Prayer

The Third Petition

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

What does this mean?

The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God's will done?

God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

Hymns During The Distribution

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"	LSB 621
"O Gracious Lord, I Firmly Am Believing"	LSB 635
"Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"	LSB 458

Stand as you are able

Post-Communion Hymn

"Thine the Amen"

LSB 680

- 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.
- 4 Thine the kingdom Thine the prize
Thine the wonder full surprise
Thine the banquet then the praise
Then the justice of Thy ways
Thine the glory Thine the story
Then the welcome to the least
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

- 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.

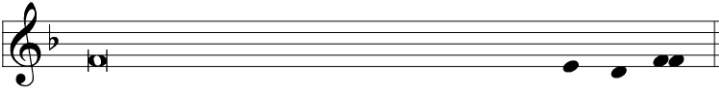
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Post-Communion Collect

P We give thanks to You, almighty God ... one God, now and forever.



Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you
 and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



Sit

Closing Hymn

"How Shall They Hear,"
 Who Have Not Heard

LSB 831

- 1 "How shall they hear," who have not heard
 News of a Lord who loved and came;
 Nor known His reconciling word,
 Nor learned to trust a Savior's name?
- 2 "To all the world," to ev'ry place,
 Neighbors and friends and far-off lands,
 Preach the good news of saving grace;
 Go while the great commission stands.

- 3 "Whom shall I send?" Who hears the call,
Constant in prayer, through toil and pain,
Telling of One who died for all,
To bring a lost world home again?
- 4 "Lord, here am I:" Your fire impart
To this poor cold self-centered soul;
Touch but my lips, my hands, my heart,
And make a world for Christ my goal.
- 5 Spirit of love, within us move:
Spirit of truth, in pow'r come down!
So shall they hear and find and prove
Christ is their life, their joy, their crown.

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If you have not had a chance to fill out an attendance card today, please do so and place it in the offering plate near the back of the center aisle. Thank you.

Postlude

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Flowers on the Altar Are For

Charlotte Tigges
in honor of their 58th Wedding Anniversary

Preparing Yourself For Worship

In order to help prepare your selves for our worship services, we are listing below the scripture readings for the coming week.

May 20 & 21, 2023 - 7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:12-26, 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11, John 17:1-11

Worship Assistants

	Sat. May 6 – 5:30pm	Sun, May 7 – 9:00am
Head Usher:	Eric Schultz	Dave Kelley
Organist:	Dr. David Pitt	Dr. David Pitt

Anniversaries This Week

14-Jim & Marion Crowe
17-Charlie & Lisa Wehrspann

Baptismal Birthdays

13-Tom Unsen 17-Ariana Dorn

Birthdays This Week

None

- **Food Pantry** - For the month of May, we are collecting the following items for the Food Pantry:

Spaghetti Sauce Toilet Tissue Pasta Deodorant
Canned Fruit Garden Produce Tuna Toothpaste

May 6 & 7 Statistics

Last Weekend Attendance:	80
Views* on Facebook:	31
Overall Participation:	111

*The number of post clicks. This does not account for groups who watched together on the same screen.

Misplaced dishes---We had 2 boxes of fine china dishes that were in the downstairs kitchen on the counter by the coffee pot. One box with the plates and saucers the other with the coffee cups, meat platter and serving bowls. The second box with the cups, platter and bowls has somehow gotten misplaced. They were from the rummage sale. We now have them sold. Can you help?? Has anyone seen them?? Please call Nancy 563-599-3885 or Teri in the office 563-556-7636 Thank you

Retirement Celebration: Our Redeemer Lutheran Church will be having a retirement celebration for Rev. Dr. Kristian Kincaid. This will event will be on Sunday, June 25th at Our Redeemer, 2145 John F. Kennedy Road. There will have a worship service at 10am, lunch will be at 12:30pm with a program to follow. **RSVP** required to Our Redeemer Office 563-588-1247 or orlcdbg@gmail.com or <https://tinyurl.com/ORLCKincaidRetirementRSVP> by **June 9, 2023**.

Prayer Requests

Mindful of the Father's great mercy shown to us in Jesus, we pray on behalf of those who are in need.

For those undergoing cancer treatment:

Roger Riechmann (father of Teri Riechmann & Sheila Zasada)
Rae Ann Wegner (sister of Kim Weed)
Jayme Niemeier (nephew of Dave & Sue Krause)
Christa Wubben (daughter of Jerry & Jan Anderson)
Raymond Kruser (brother-in-law of Dave & Sue Krause)
Zeke Pergande (son of Dan & Doris Pergande)
Martha (godmother of Will Wehrspann)
Deana Miller (friend of Jerry & Jan Anderson)
Mark Goetschius (brother of A.J. Osterkamp)
Toni Jo Stelpflug (niece of Doris Pergande)
Tiffany Crowe (daughter of Jim & Marion Crowe)
Marlene Lenaburg (sister of Charlotte Tigges)
Joyce Osterkamp (sister-in-law of A.J. Osterkamp)
Connie Telschow (relative of Richard & Kim Weed)
Larry Fiene (father of Andi Kittle)
Rhonda Kittle (sister-in-law to Greg Kittle)
Dan Pergande, Debra Spear, Richard Weed

For our members who are homebound:

Laverne Ball (Ennoble Manor), Kathryn Moyer (Care Initiatives),
Nancy Clark, Jean Henningsen (Sunnycrest Manor), Judy Pergande,
Doris Pergande, Dusty Colby, Brenda Litka, Anne Prisk (Care Initiatives)

Additional Prayer Requests:

- Lori Ollendick (daughter of Dick & Charlotte Tigges)
- the Walker family
- Jill Adams
- Dominique Jeter
- Sherry Wilkerson (friend of Greg Kittle) recovering from surgery

**Note: The "additional" section of the prayer list will be cleared at the beginning of each month. If you would like a name to remain on the list into the next month, please contact the church office and we would be happy to continue praying for your intention.*

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Schedule For The Week

6th Sun of Easter Sat. May 13	5:30pm	Worship Service w/Holy Comm.
6th Sun of Easter Sun. May 14	9:00am	Worship Service w/Holy Comm.
	10:30am	Bible Study/Last Day of Sunday School
Mon. May 15		
Tues. May 16		
Wed. May 17	8:00am	TOPS
Thur. May 18		
Fri. May 19		
7th Sun of Easter Sat. May 20	5:30pam	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm.
7th Sun of Easter Sun. May 21	9:00am	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm.
	10:30am	Voters Meeting
	10:30am	NO Bible Study



Lutheran Family Service

For Nothing is Impossible with God

Moving from Middle School to High School Webinar | May 22 - 7 to 8:30 pm

Making the move from middle school to high school can seem overwhelming. Not only for your child, but also for you as parents. There are all sorts of academic, social, emotional, and spiritual challenges that accompany this shift. And it can be tough to know how to navigate through all the changes happening at once.

Join Lutheran Family Service for a presentation and discussion on the transition from middle school to high school on Monday, May 22, from 7 to 8:30 pm. Led by Amber Dopler and Jill Evola-Vokt, this webinar will address topics such as:

- Elevated academic and athletic expectations
- Time/workload management
- Mental health of the adolescent brain
- Perfectionism vs. procrastination
- The role of parents/family in education
- Possible interruptions to learning sequences
- Emotional regulation
- Gaining independence and advocating for themselves
- The role of technology
- The warning signs and red flags of struggle/stress
- Spiritual warfare and remaining engaged in your church community

RSVP using the following link to reserve your spot and share with any parents of 8th grade students making the jump to high school in the 2023-24 academic year:

<http://lutheranfamilyservice.dm.networkforgood.com/forms/the-transition-from-middle-school-to-high-school-spring-2023>

Building Healthy Families: God gave women a special gift--the ability to carry new life within their own bodies. Psalm 139:13 says, "You knitted me together in my mother's womb." It is good that we have a day set aside specifically in honor of motherhood. In a world where human life in the womb is at risk of being aborted, we can encourage girls and young women, sharing with them the immense joy and honor of being a mother. To all our moms and grandmoms...thanks for who you are and all you do. Happy Mother's Day!

Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org.

Summer Staff Needed: Looking for a summer job? Get that and more with a summer camp experience at Camp lo-Dis-E-Ca. Camp lo-Dis-E-Ca in Solon, IA is hiring for male and female camp counselors for the upcoming summer. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to spend your summer serving as a Christian role model for youth from Eastern Iowa and beyond! Employment begins May 30 and ends August 4. All summer staff go through training in early June to be fully trained in camp activities and safety, including CRP, AED, and first aid training. Candidates should be at least 18 years old. To get started, head on over the www.nloma.org and complete a summer service profile. Please contact Alec at 319-848-4187 or email programdirector@iodiseca.org. if you have any questions or for more information, or check out Camp's website at www.campiodiseca.org.