

seeing the world  
through  
love colored glasses



May 18, 2025  
5th Sunday of Easter



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Welcome to all God's guests, especially those who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community**, **communion** and **commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

**Children are always welcome in worship services;**  
**however please know the cry room at the back of the sanctuary is available for**  
**parents who need to tend to their little ones.**

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*Please silence your cellphone at this time*

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*Welcome to Worship*

*Opening Song*

How Majestic Is Your Name



Oh Lord, \_ our Lord, \_ how ma-jes - tic is Your name \_ in all \_ the \_ earth. Oh



Lord, \_ our Lord, \_ how ma-jes-tic is Your name \_ in all \_ the \_ earth. Oh \_ Lord, we

praise Your name; Oh Lord, we mag - ni - fy Your name; Prince of

Peace, - Might-y God, oh Lord God Al-might - y. Oh

y; Prince of Peace, - Might - y God, oh

Lord God Al - might - y!

### *Call to Worship*

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

### *Thanksgiving for Baptism*

Please stand in body or spirit.

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the fountain of living water,  
the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

**All** Amen.

**P** In the waters of baptism,  
we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,  
and we are a new creation.  
For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,  
who was, who is, and who is to come.

WA We thank you, God, for your river of life,  
flowing freely from your throne:  
through the earth,  
through the city,  
through every living thing.

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.

P 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.

WA You have become our salvation.

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.

P To you, our Beginning and our End,

our Shepherd and Lamb,

be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,

now and forever.

**All Christ is risen. Alleluia!**



## Greeting

*P* The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love and wisdom of God,  
and the light and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All** And also with you.

*P* In peace, in peace,

*Pastor:* *Congregation:*

Let us pray\_ to the Lord, have mer - cy,  
Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have  
mer - cy.

*P* For the reign of God and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all...(Refrain)

*P* For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word...(Refrain)

*Pastor:* *Congregation:*

Help, save and de - fend us, O God.  
A - - - men.



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

**P** The Lord be with you

**All** And also with you.

*Prayer for This Day*

**WA** Let us pray:

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing.

**All** 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. Amen.

*You may be Seated*

*A Reading from Acts, the 11th chapter*

*In defense of his earlier baptism of non-Jewish believers, Peter demonstrates to the members of the Jerusalem church that God's intention to love Gentiles as well as Jews is revealed in Jesus' testimony. In this way the mission to the Gentiles is officially authorized.*

<sup>1</sup> Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup> So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup> saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" <sup>4</sup> Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup> "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. <sup>6</sup> As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup> I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' <sup>8</sup> But I replied, 'By no means, Lord, for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' <sup>9</sup> But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God

has made clean, you must not call profane.’ <sup>10</sup> This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup> At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup> The 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. <sup>13</sup> He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup> he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ <sup>15</sup> And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup> And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>17</sup> If 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?” <sup>18</sup> When 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.”

Acts 11:1-18

WA Word of God, Word of Life!

**All Thanks be to God!**

*A Reading from Revelation, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter*

*John’s vision shows us that in the resurrection the new age has dawned; God dwells with us already. Yet we wait for the time when the tears that cloud our vision will be wiped away. Then we will see the new heaven, new earth, and new Jerusalem.*

<sup>1</sup> I 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. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And 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 and be their God;

<sup>4</sup> he 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.”

<sup>5</sup> And 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.” <sup>6</sup> Then 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.”

*Revelation 21:1-6*

**WA** Word of God, Word of Hope!

**All** Thanks be to God!

*Gospel Acclamation*

Please stand in body or spirit.

**Congregation**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life: Al - le - lu - ia!

*Gospel Reading*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**All** Glory to you, O Lord.

*After washing the disciples’ feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus’ community.*

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little 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.’ <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

*John 13:31-35*

*P* The Gospel of our Lord.

**All** Praise to you, O Christ.

*You may be Seated*

Children’s Sermon  
&  
Noisy Offering

*Sermon*

**Pr. Debra Jimenez**

*Hymn of the Day*

Please stand in body or spirit.

**They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love**

Words and Music by  
Peter Scholtes



1 We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord; We are  
2 We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand; We will  
3 We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side; We will  
4 All \_\_\_\_\_ praise to the Fa - ther, from \_\_\_\_\_ whom all things come; And all



one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord. And we  
walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand. And to -  
work with each oth - er, we will work side by side. And we'll  
praise to Christ Je - sus, His \_\_\_\_\_ on - ly \_\_\_\_\_ Son. And all



pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored. And they'll  
geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land. And they'll  
guard each man's dig - ni - ty and save \_\_\_\_\_ each man's pride. And they'll  
praise to the Spir - it, who \_\_\_\_\_ makes \_\_\_\_\_ us \_\_\_\_\_ one. And they'll



know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our love, yes they'll



know \_\_\_\_\_ we are Chris - tians by our love. \_\_\_\_\_

## *Nicene Creed*

*P* Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

**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.**

*Prayers of the People*

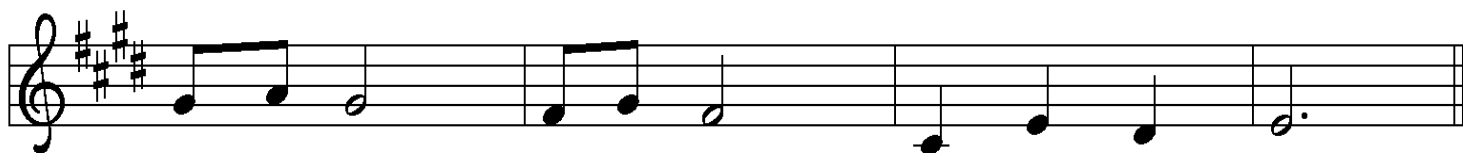
**WA** God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:



peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.



God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

*(each prayer petition ends with)*

**L:** Hear us, O God.

**All:** Your mercy is great.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ*

Please stand in body or spirit.

**P** Jesus Christ become peace with you.

**All** And also with you.

You may be Seated



## Offertory



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

## Offertory Prayer

*P* Risen One,  
you have gathered us around your table of grace  
along with these gifts we bring.

**All** Come among us again,  
breathe your life into us,  
and enliven us with this meal,  
that we may live and serve others as your risen body in the world.  
**Amen.**

## Holy Communion

*P* The Lord be with you

**All** And also with you.

*P* Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

*P* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*P* It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, who by his death on the cross and glorious resurrection broke the bonds of sin and death and gave life to all creation.

On the night of his betrayal 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.

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.

*The Lord's Prayer*

Please stand in body or spirit.

*P* Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

**All 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.**

## *The Invitation*

*P* Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,  
offers everyone a place of welcome at His table of grace.  
Come to the feast.

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the cups in the center contain white grape juice.

*Gluten Free wafers available –ask the communion attendant*

## *Communion Songs*

### *Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue*



1 Al - though I speak with an - gel's tongue, my faith, my  
2 For love is pa - tient, love is kind, and nev - er  
3 For now we peer at dark - ened glass; our vi - sions  
4 The gifts are man - y, the Bod - y one, and in - to



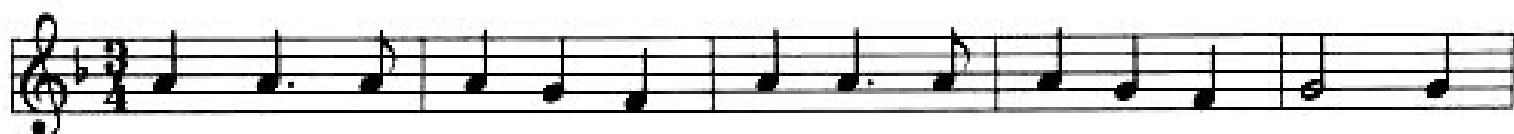
knowl - edge all sur - pass, but have no love, my gifts are  
vain with boast - ing pride; love bears all things, all things en -  
end; our tongues all cease. In part we know, in part now  
one are all bap - tized. Be - lov - ed, share one heart, one



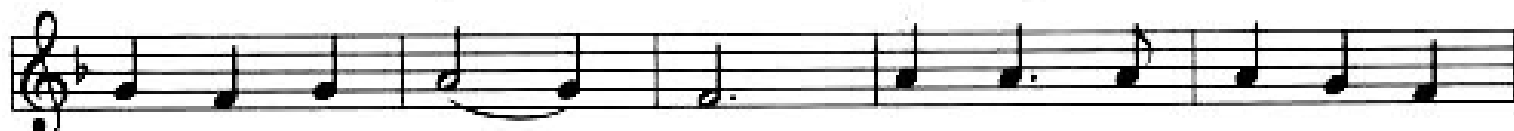
vain as clang - ing gong or blar - ing brass.  
dures. All things must end; love will a - bide.  
see: then we will see love face to face.  
mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

*Refrain*

# Bind us together



Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that



can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,



bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er in love.



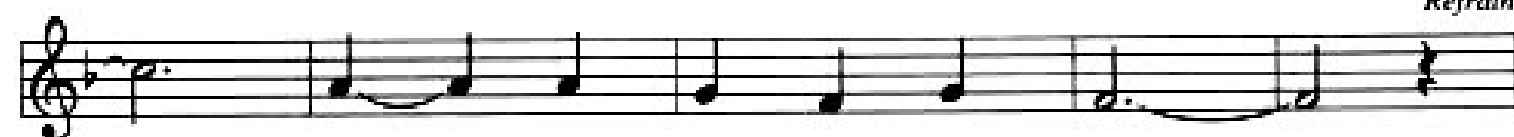
1 There is on - ly one God.  
2 You are the fam - 'ly of God.

There is  
You are the



on - ly one King.  
prom - ise di - vine.

There is on - ly one Bod - y;  
You are God's cho - sen de - sire, . . .



that is why we can sing:  
you are the glo - rious new wine.

*Refrain*

## *Post Communion Blessing and Prayer*

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

**All** Amen

*P* Living One,  
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.

**All** Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory,  
and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

*Please be seated for*  
*Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements*

*Benediction and Sending Song*

Please stand in body or spirit.

*(Cantors sing each line, the congregation repeats.)*

May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord make His face to shine on you.  
And be gracious to you.

May the Lord lift His countenance on you.  
May the Lord lift His countenance on you.  
May He keep you in perfect peace.

*Dismissal*

*WA* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

*WA* Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**All** Thanks be to God.





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Readings for next Sunday,  
May 25<sup>th</sup>

First Reading:	Acts 16:9-15
Psalms:	Psalms 67
Second Reading:	Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5
Gospel:	John 14:23-29

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