

Welcome to Worship  
St. Luke's Evangelical  
Lutheran Church



*Sixth Sunday of Easter*  
*May 10, 2026*



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*Whether this is your first time with us or you have been here your whole life, **WELCOME** to the place where we stand together before God as equals. If you are new here and seeking a church home, please contact the church office at 419-257-3253 and leave a message.*

### **Assisting in Worship**

Organist: *Janet Goldner*  
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### **To the Glory of God**

May Altar Candles, Bulletins, & Newsletters: [available for signup](#)  
June Altar Candles, Bulletins, & Newsletters: [available for signup](#)

### **Food Pantry Needs**

The **May** requests are canned meats, Kleenex, and paper towels. Thank you.

### **Feed the Children**

For **May** we are asking you to bring Ramen Noodle Packages.

# Order of Worship

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 10, 2026

*God is glad you have joined us for worship today. At the symbol ✠ assembly members may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked upon us at baptism.*

*\*please stand, sit, or kneel as you feel comfortable.*

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## **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & PRAYER REQUESTS**

### **PRELUDE WITH SILENT MEDITATIVE PRAYER**

*Use your breath as a form of prayer as you listen to the music. When you breathe in, pray, "Loving God." When you exhale, pray, "help me to listen."*

### **THE GREETING**

Leader: 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.**

### **\*GATHERING HYMN #744**

LORD, BE GLORIFIED

### **\*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Leader: Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

**ALL: Amen.**

Leader: Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

**ALL: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Leader: Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

**ALL: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Leader: Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

**ALL: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

### \*KYRIE



1, 3 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
2 Christ, . . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.

Lord, . . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
Christ, . . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.

### \*THANKSGIVING RESPONSE

Leader: Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

**ALL: Amen.**

# \*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

# THIS IS THE FEAST

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb  
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of  
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,  
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. For the Lamb who was  
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Please join me in prayer. Holy Lord

**ALL: May our love overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help us determine what is best, so that we may be pure and blameless in the sight of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## FIRST READING

LUKE 9:46-48

Reader: An argument arose among them concerning which one of them was the greatest. <sup>47</sup> But Jesus, aware of their inner thoughts, took a little child and put it by his side <sup>48</sup> and said to them, "Whoever welcomes this child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me, for the least among all of you is the greatest."

Reader: Word of God, word of life. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM READING

*(responsively)*

PSALM 138:1-8

Reader: I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

**ALL: On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.**

Reader: All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.

**ALL: They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.**

Reader: For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he perceives from far away.

**ALL: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.**

Reader: The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

Reader: Word of God, word of life. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

SETTING 3 #142

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

**\*NEW TESTAMENT READING**

PHILIPPIANS 1:1-18a

Leader: There is good news for us this day and it comes to us from the book of Philippians chapter 1. **ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Leader: Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: <sup>2</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup>I thank my God for every remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup>always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy <sup>5</sup>for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup>I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart, for all of you are my partners in God's grace, both

in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup> For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the tender affection of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup> And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight <sup>10</sup> to help you to determine what really matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, <sup>11</sup> having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

<sup>12</sup> I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually resulted in the progress of the gospel, <sup>13</sup> so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ, <sup>14</sup> and most of the brothers and sisters, having been made confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, dare to speak the word with greater boldness and without fear.

<sup>15</sup> Some proclaim Christ from envy and rivalry but others from goodwill. <sup>16</sup> These proclaim Christ out of love, knowing that I have been put here for the defense of the gospel; <sup>17</sup> the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but intending to increase my suffering in my imprisonment. <sup>18</sup> What does it matter? Just this, that Christ is proclaimed in every way, whether out of false motives or true, and in that I rejoice.

Yes, and I will rejoice.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **THE MESSAGE**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY #770**

GIVE ME JESUS

### **\*THE NICENE CREED**

**ALL: 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 INTRODUCTION**

Prayer Leader: Christ is risen and dwells among us. Trusting in his promise to bring life and peace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

## **\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Prayer Leader: Lord, in your mercy. **ALL: hear our prayer.**

We pray for Ned, Lorraine, Pat, Rut, Ruth, Steve, Lisa, Bertha, Eloise, Rose Marie, Mike, John, JoLynn, Emily, Carl, Jim, Kolton, Ron, Cheryl, Bob, Caroline, Marilyn, Barb, Dan, Heather, Howard, Granger, Owen, Mike, Diana, Sean, Judy, Christina, Mike, Riley, Dennis, Anita, Amy, Nickie, Eli, Mr. Doherty, Ron, Chase, Cheryl, A.J., Mavery, Caroline, Ethan, Brent, Richard, Michael, Cindy, John, Sue, Carol, David, Betty, LuAnn, Colene, Teri, Eric, Lisa, Kris, Don, Ashley, Brandt, Mary, Pat, Gordon, Vicki, josh, Linda, and Ellery.

## \*SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

**ALL: And also with you.**

*Please share God's peace with those worshipping around you.*

## INVITATION FOR OFFERINGS

Leader: Let our gifts be a reflection of our gratitude for all that we have received, and a commitment to the future of God's work in this place. May we continue to live out the legacy of love and service that those who have gone before us have embodied.

## OFFERTORY

### \*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #188

### CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray.

**ALL**: accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you. **ALL**: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts. **ALL**: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord of God. **ALL**: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: And so, with all creatures and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and sing:

## \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

SETTING 3 HYMNAL PAGE 144



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.

## **\*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Leader: 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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

In the unity of the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer Jesus taught us saying,

## **\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 TO COMMUNION**

Leader: Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

## **DISTRIBUTION**

## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: Please join with me in prayer. Holy One,

**ALL: through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**

## \*HYMN AFTER COMMUNION #376

THINE IS THE GLORY

(VERSE 1)

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave-clothes  
where thy bod - y lay. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring  
Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

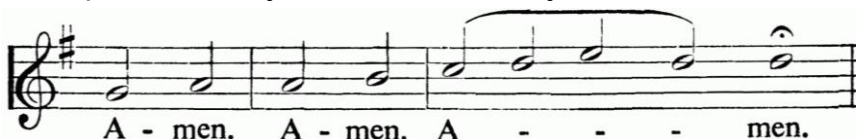
## \*BLESSING

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**ALL: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Leader: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always.

## \*The Amen



## \*SENDING HYMN #392

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

## \*DISMISSAL

Leader: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

**ALL: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

*As we leave worship each week, we remember the poor around the world by placing loose offerings in the “hunger bowls” on the Information Table in the Narthex. These gifts are then forwarded to the ELCA World Hunger Program.*

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Please help to keep our Prayer List up-to-date by notifying the church office of any changes, additions or deletions.

**WE GIVE THANKS:** for mothers! Thanks be to God!

**MEMBERS:** Ned Slaughterbeck, Lorraine Ferguson, Pat Wheeler, Rut Heilman, Ruth McKee, Steve Pritts, Lisa Claybaugh, Bertha Carter, Eloise Matthes, Rose Marie Hosley, Mike Wheeler, John Stewart, JoLynn Stewart, Emily Meyerson, Carl Lieser, Jim Wymer, Kolton Williams, Ron Bean, Cheryl Kruse, Bob Kelley, Caroline Lieser, Marilyn Ziegler, Barb Williams.

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**GRIEVING:** the family of **Eileen Gore**, who passed away on April 28; and the family of **Amy Stewart**, who passed away on April 27.

**MILITARY:** for all those who are in training and who are serving in the military & their families; the chaplains (*especially those in combat zones*); grieving families and friends of those who died while serving.

**COMPANION CHURCH:** **Mwanawotta Lutheran Church**, of the Dodoma Diocese, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania.

**WIDER CHURCH PRAYERS:** all ministries of the ELCA (**E**vangelical **L**utheran **C**hurch in **A**merica), our presiding **Bishop Yehiel Curry**, all our bishops, pastors, and leaders of the congregations of the NWOS (**N**orth**w**estern **O**hio **S**ynod), **Bishop Daniel Beaudoin**, and our 15 Central Conference congregations.



# Sharing GOD'S STORY @ home

## SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

I thank my God every time I remember you.

—Philippians 1:3

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

*As you read this week, ask yourself: What is Paul talking about in this letter? What connection can you make to your life?*

|           |                      |                                 |
|-----------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sunday    | Philippians 1:1-18a  | The Church in Philippi          |
| Monday    | Philippians 1:18b-26 | Paul's Reason for Happiness     |
| Tuesday   | Philippians 1:27-30  | Fight for the Faith             |
| Wednesday | Galatians 1:11-24    | Paul Explains the Gospel, Pt. 1 |
| Thursday  | Galatians 2:1-10     | Paul at Jerusalem               |
| Friday    | Galatians 2:11-14    | Paul and Peter                  |
| Saturday  | Galatians 2:15-21    | Paul Explains the Gospel, Pt. 2 |
| Sunday    | Philippians 2:1-13   | Living Like Jesus               |

*If your household includes younger children, use a child-friendly Bible. You might find that the children's Bible you are using may not include the very story assigned for the DAILY BIBLE READINGS. Read to your kids anyway. Just pick a story!*

## SERVICE CHALLENGE

*SERVICE is how we enact God's great love for the entire world.*

Gather together and read stories out of the newspaper or from a news website, a different story for each reader. After each person reads an article, pray for those featured in that story.

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