GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America A Reconciling in Christ Congregation An AMMPARO Welcoming Congregation ... We Are God's People and the Sheep of God's Pasture ... Psalm 100:3 Pastor Amy Zalk Larson (on sabbatical) Rev. Dr. Rolf Svanoe, Preacher and Presider

Brooke Joyce, Music Director Kelli Gapinski, Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry Erica Yaneff, Ministry Support Coordinator



6th Sunday of Easter May 22, 2022 9:30 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

ELW (red book in pew) Evangelical Lutheran Worship ACS (purple book in pew) All Creation

Sings

Page numbers (P.) in front of red book and hymn numbers (#) in back of books; Congregational responses are in **bold**; rise in body or spirit when indicated by *

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC: "Spring, mvt. II" - Antonio Vivaldi PRAYER BELL - WELCOME – ANNOUNCEMENTS *GATHERING SONG: ELW 377 Alleluia! Jesus is Risen! Vs. 1, 4-5



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*GREETING Grace to you and peace from the One who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before the throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. (*Rev. 1:4*) And also with you.

***REVELATION LITURGY**

Then I saw between the throne and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered. The twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb and sing a new song. Joining them was the voice of many angels surrounding the throne numbering myriads and thousands of thousands. And every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and that is in them, together were singing: (from Rev. 5)

HYMN OF PRAISE P. 149 – Refrain sung first by Rev. Svanoe, congregation joins in on verse 1 and refrains to follow

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for Our God. Alleluia! 1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, Whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength And honor and blessing and glory are his. (refrain) 2. Sing with all the people of God And join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. (*Final Refrain*) This is the feast of victory for our God, For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY Let us pray.....Amen.

WORD

READING: Revelation 21:10-12, 21-22:7

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; And the twelve gates are twelve pearls, each of the gates is a single pearl, and the street of the city is pure gold, transparent as glass.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and

his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever. And he said to me, 'These words are trustworthy and true, for the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place.'

'See, I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.' Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God**

CHILDREN'S SERMON *GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



*GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

The Holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord. The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: "Back to the Future"

*HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 423 Shall We Gather at the River



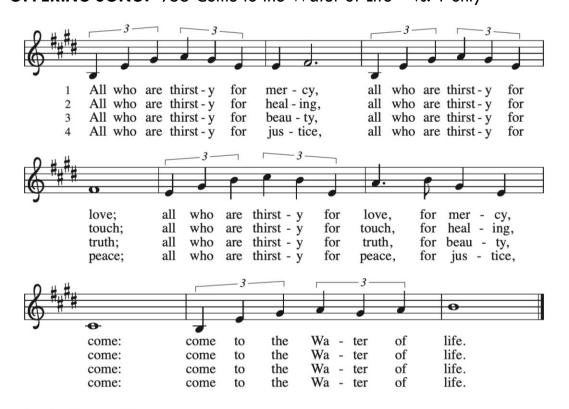
gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION each petition ends: God of mercy, hear our prayer.

***PEACE:** The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always. **And also with you** We share peace by waving to those worshipping online or through the public access channel.

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OFFERTORY MUSIC: Duet - Telemann ***OFFERING SONG:** 955 Come to the Water of Life – vs. 1 only



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*OFFERING PRAYER Let us pray...Amen. *GREAT THANKSGIVING-HOLY P. 152

*LORD'S PRAYER: P. 154 Our Father who art in Heaven...

All are welcome at Christ's table. Ushers will direct you out of your pew, up the aisle near parking lot and to the altar rail where you can hold out your hands to receive the bread than is gluten free and dairy free. You will be offered a tray of red wine and yellow grape juice cups. Empty cups should be placed in the basket as you leave the altar. If you prefer a blessing, indicate that by placing your hands over your heart. You can also request a prepackaged individual serving of communion and partake of it at your pew.

We remain standing at the altar rail during the Easter season to celebrate the way we are raised to new life with the risen Christ.

COMMUNION SONGS: P. 154 Lamb of God, Duet – Telemann-Long, Long Ago - Suzuki Cinquantaine - Marie *TABLE BLESSING *PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Let us pray... Amen. SENDING

*SENDING SONG: ELW 815 | Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



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*BLESSING SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS DISMISSAL:

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!** Go in peace. Tell what God has done. **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER BELL – POSTLUDE: Concerto – Seitz

Thanks to members of Erik Session's violin studio (Hannah Hagen, Elsa Johnson, Gwen Thompson and Brock Taylor) for playing for us this morning!

The postlude sends us out for service in the world. Feel free to use this time in any way that helps to send you out!

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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP AND HOSPITALITY –USHER: Reg & Jeri Laursen; READER: Richard Ylvisaker; ASSISTING MINISTER: Harland Nelson; ORGANIST/PIANIST: Brooke Joyce; PREACHER & PRESIDER: Rev. Dr. Rolf Svanoe; FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Kathy Buzza,

SIGN UP TODAY: We request congregation members to find a way to serve at least one week this summer. Please help fill the many spaces in need:

- Mow the lawn
- Usher, assisting minister, reader, fellowship hour
- Video/Audio Volunteers: We are looking for 2-3 more volunteers to help run the audio and recording of Sunday services. You would be helping on ~1 Sunday a month or as you are able. Please consider helping with this vital work.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SAVE THE DATE: Following worship on June 5^{th,} there will be a congregational meeting to vote on the carbon neutral initiative. Learn more about Mission Green and the plans on our website and youtube page. Questions can be directed to Jim & Liz Fritz.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS GUATEMALAN BASICS FUND:

The **Guatemalan Basics** initiative provides deliveries of staples - rice, black beans, MaSeCa (corn flour) Tortilla Mix - to local immigrant families, many of whom have migrated from Guatemala.

- **Monetary donations are currently needed**, as many households in the Postville, Decorah, Ridgeway, and Hesper/Mabel areas have increased needs as they are accepting teens and other family members from detention centers around the nation.
- To make a donation, you can give online by credit/debit card or bank transfer on the Decorah United Church of Christ's web-based giving page. Select "Neighbors Helping Neighbors—Guatemalan Basics Fund" from the dropdown menu: <u>decorahucc.breezechms.com/give/online</u>.
- You can also write a check, payable to Decorah UCC with "Guatemalan Basics" in the memo line, and send it to Decorah UCC, PO Box 470, Decorah, IA 52101.

KIDS LUNCH CLUB RETURNS: Kids Lunch Club is a community collaboration to serve delicious, nutritious meals to kids throughout the summer, and is open to all children and youth ages 18 and under. It runs from Wednesday, June 1 - Friday, August 12.

Volunteers are needed! Pack and distribute lunches, serve as lead volunteer, donate financially, and join the steering committee. Information is found in the weekly newsletter, on the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall, and online: kidslunchclub.org



MENTOR WITH HELPING SERVICES FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES: Take 1 Simple Step, Become A Mentor! By supporting a youth for a minimum of four hours per month you can make a positive impact. Be of service to others in your neighborhood. Be a friend! Become a mentor! Get Involved! Contact Kathy or Colinne at 563-387-1720 or <u>mentoring@helpingservices.org</u>.

CHURCH HOURS IN OFFICE THIS WEEK: Monday-Tuesday: 8:30-3:30, Friday 8:00-10:00 am. Other days I am working from home and will respond to emails and voicemails within 24 hours on business days. Contact the church office to be connected with a Pastor for Pastoral Care while Pastor Amy is on Sabbatical.

PRAYER LIST:

Good Shepherd Family: Angie Robison (Formerly Sadler), Jerrine Jacobsen, Glenn Nelson, Barbara Berg, Verne Koenig, Melanie Folkerts, Lowell Erdman, Ed Hover, Janet Gall, Jutta Anderson, Linda Lambert, all residents and staff at Aase Haugen, Eastern Star, Wellington Place, Mosaic Homes, and Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community, and those preparing for public ministry: Menzi Nkambule, Joseph Tiegen, and Kathryn Thompson

Relatives and Friends: Rev. R. David Berg (former pastor of Good Shepherd), Bob Bruce (Son of Jerry & Ruth Bruce), Nathaniel Judisch (son of Dave and Gail), Robin Darland (Friend of Erik Berg), Sid Simpson (Brother in law of Marty Steele), Dennis Martin (brother-in-law of the Slinds), Melissa, Samuel and Declan Isenhart (daughter and newborn grandchildren of Pam Kranzler), Richard Buresh (brother of Tom Buresh), Kristie & Hana Nelson (family of Knute Nelson), Karen & Randy Erion (friends of Charilyn & Ed Hover), Linda Morgan (sister of Jane Borelli), Nathan Scheuerelein (grandson of Bonnie Flora), Lynzee Makowski (friend of Laurie Biedermann), John Monson (Martha Monson Lowe's father), Jane Hood (Martha Monson Lowe's cousin), Martha Johnson (daughter of Mickey Slind), Erik Wangsness (nephew of Sharon Drew), Todd Hove (son of Gloria Hove), Virginia Hanson (former secretary of Good Shepherd), Aaron Buzza (son of Jim and Kathy), Bob Walli, Marilyn Walli, Norm Walli, (cousins of Marv Slind), Joanne Kramer (mother of Kerry Johnson), Katherine Hollander (Liz Fritz's sister), Donna Struve (mother of Jonathon Struve), Marian Brynsaas (sister of LaVerne Ramsey), Mary Beth & Bayo Oyebade and the Mashiah Foundation in Jos, Nigeria, and our Companion Synod in Hungary.

ALL ARE WELCOME AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH. God makes no exceptions. In the spirit of Jesus Christ, we offer trust and respect to all, including those who may experience alienation, distrust, or rejection. We rely on the healing, unconditional love of God to shape our community in the name of the Good Shepherd. In keeping with our welcome, Good Shepherd is a *Reconciling in Christ* congregation, affirming our welcome to gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer identifying persons to participate fully in the life of our congregation. We are an *AMMPARO* Welcoming Congregation - Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities.

Please sign the red hospitality books for the sake of welcome and as a record of worship attendance. Guests, if you leave your email in the hospitality books, Our office will contact you if there is news of a positive case of COVID in worship.

WELCOME GUESTS. THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU HERE. We welcome you to Fellowship Hour today after worship!

ALL ARE WELCOME TO SHARE IN HOLY COMMUNION. It is Christ's table and Christ is the host. Instructions are included in the communion section of the Order of Worship.

THE PRESENCE, ENERGY, AND NOISE OF CHILDREN ARE MOST WELCOME HERE. The sound of a child in worship is the sound of a new Christian being formed. This congregation is glad to share in this work. We welcome and encourage kids to move and play. A nursery with toys and activity bags are available. Mothers are welcome to nurse anywhere that works for you and your child. An Infant Feeding Chair is available in the music office (hallway outside of sanctuary) for more privacy if desired.

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