

Order of Service – May 5, 2024 – 10:00AM Sixth Sunday of Easter

Preaching/Presiding – Pastor Bart

**Music Team: Eriksson Family, Adeline, Kristen, Robin ,
Mel, Olha, Zach,**

Welcome to worship!

If you are a visitor today, please pick up a gift bag and learn more about our programs at the Welcome Table at the back of the narthex. Grab a coffee and mingle following the service. A family friendly area is available in the Gateway to sit with other parents or to allow your children to enjoy some snacks following the worship service and Sunday school. If your children require a quiet place during the service, feel free to take them to the narthex near the fireplace area where we have few quiet toys for them to enjoy.

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to come forward for communion. If your children have gone through communion instruction, they are welcome as well. If they are not taking communion, please bring them forward for a blessing. If you would like personal prayer this morning, you are invited to meet with our prayer team in the narthex either before or after you have taken communion. Individual prayer is also available following the service.

PRELUDE: I Speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind.
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus.

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus 'Til ev'ry dark addiction starts to break.
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom, I speak Jesus.

CHORUS

('Cause) Your Name is power, Your Name is healing, Your Name is life.
Break ev'ry stronghold, shine through the shadows, burn like a fire.

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over fear and all anxiety.
To ev'ry soul held captive by depression, I speak Jesus.

Shout Jesus from the mountains, Jesus in the streets,
Jesus in the darkness over ev'ry enemy, Jesus for my fam'ly.
I speak the holy Name Jesus.

(Repeat)

CHORUS

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind.
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus.

OPENING HYMN: All hail The Power Of Jesus name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!

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LIGHTING THE CANDLES • WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

All: Lord God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit we invite your presence into our worship this morning and consecrate this time to you. Be glorified in the preaching, in the singing, our praying and our meditation on your word. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, beseeching Him, in the name of our Lord Jesus, to forgive the iniquity of our sin.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open
All desires known, from You no secrets are hidd'n
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
By the power of your Spirit
That we love and magnify your name

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

P: Most merciful God...

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Amen

THE GREETING

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

C: and also with you.

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy (2x)

Christe eleison, Christ have mercy (2x)

Kyrie eleison, Lord have mercy (2x)

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy

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Gloria

Gloria! [Gloria!] Gloria! [Gloria!]

In excelsis [In excelsis] Deo! [Deo!]

He is risen! [He is risen!]

He is alive! [He is alive!]

Alleluia! [Alleluia!]

Now glorified! [Now glorified!]

We praise you! We bless you! We worship and magnify you!

Gloria! [Gloria!] Gloria! [Gloria!]

In excelsis [In excelsis] Deo! [Deo!]

He is risen! [He is risen!]

He is alive! [He is alive!]

Alleluia! [Alleluia!]

Now glorified! [Now glorified!]

Now glorified! [Now glorified!]

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PRAYER 6TH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER: O God, from the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that admin all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixes where true joy is found; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

CHILDREN'S STORY – Pastor Bart

CHILDREN'S Song- My God Is So Big (Great)

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
There's nothing my God can not do.
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
My God can make ev'rything new.

Bridge

The mountains are His, The rivers are His,
The stars are His handiwork, too.

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,
There's nothing my God can not do. (for you)

(REPEAT ALL)

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FIRST READING: Acts 10:1-20, 34-35, 42-48 NIV

10 At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion in what was known as the Italian Regiment. **2** He and all his family were devout and God-fearing; he gave generously to those in need and prayed to God regularly. **3** One day at about three in the afternoon he had a vision. He distinctly saw an angel of God, who came to him and said, "Cornelius!"

4 Cornelius stared at him in fear. "What is it, Lord?" he asked.

The angel answered, "Your prayers and gifts to the poor have come up as a memorial offering before God. **5** Now send men to Joppa to bring back a man named Simon who is called Peter. **6** He is staying with Simon the tanner, whose house is by the sea."

7 When the angel who spoke to him had gone, Cornelius called two of his servants and a devout soldier who was one of his attendants. **8** He told them everything that had happened and sent them to Joppa.

9 About noon the following day as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. **10** He became hungry and wanted something to eat, and while the meal was being prepared, he fell into a trance. **11** He saw heaven opened and something like a large sheet being let down to earth by its four corners. **12** It contained all kinds of four-footed animals, as well as reptiles and birds. **13** Then a voice told him, "Get up, Peter. Kill and eat."

14 "Surely not, Lord!" Peter replied. "I have never eaten anything impure or unclean."

15 The voice spoke to him a second time, "Do not call anything impure that God has made clean."

16 This happened three times, and immediately the sheet was taken back to heaven.

17 While Peter was wondering about the meaning of the vision, the men sent by Cornelius found out where Simon's house was and stopped at the gate. **18** They called out, asking if Simon who was known as Peter was staying there.

19 While Peter was still thinking about the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Simon, three^[a] men are looking for you. **20** So get up and go downstairs. Do not hesitate to go with them, for I have sent them."

34 Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism **35** but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right.

42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. **43** All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. ⁴⁵ The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. ⁴⁶ For they heard them speaking in tongues^[a] and praising God.

Then Peter said, ⁴⁷ “Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.” ⁴⁸ So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

Psalm 98 NIV

¹ Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

² The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

³ He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

⁴ Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music;

⁵ make music to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing,

⁶ with trumpets and the blast of the ram’s horn—shout for joy before the LORD, the King.

⁷ Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.

⁸ Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy;

⁹ let them sing before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in Righteousness and the peoples with equity.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go, shall we go? (2x)

You have the words of eternal life, O Lord (2x)

Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go

Shall we go, shall we go?

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GOSPEL: John 15:9-17 NIV

⁹ “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. ¹⁷ This is my command: Love each other.

PRE-SERMON HYMN: O Saviour Precious Saviour

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O Saviour precious Saviour, Whom yet unseen we love;

O name of might and favour, All other names above;

We worship Thee; we bless Thee; To Thee alone we sing;

We praise Thee and confess Thee, .Our holy Lord and King

O bringer of salvation, Who wondrously hast wrought,
Thyself the revelation Of love beyond our thought:
We worship Thee; we bless Thee; To Thee alone we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee, .Our gracious Lord and King

In Thee all fullness dwelleth, All grace and power divine;
The glory that excelleth, O Son of God is Thine.
We worship Thee; we bless Thee; To Thee alone we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee, .Our gracious Lord and King

Oh, grant the consummation Of this our song above,
In endless adoration And everlasting love;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where perfect praises ring,
And evermore confess Thee, Our Saviour and our King!

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879
Tune: Arthur H. Mann, 1850-1929

SERMON – PASTOR Bart

OFFERTORY DURING HYMN

OFFERTORY HYMN: Oh Give Thanks

We were wand'ring in the desert with our souls so starved and weak.
We were hungry for a homeland we did not know how to seek.
But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears.
And the God of mercy came and brought us near.

We were locked out of the garden and our backs bend down with pain;
In the shadow of death's darkness we were slaves to sin and blame
Then we cried out in our labor to the only One who hears,
And the God of mercy wiped away our tears.

Chorus

Oh, give thanks to the Lord for His love endures forever!
We were wandering and lost, and our Father brought us home
To a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter,
Oh, give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

We were fools in our rebellion with our hunger strike of pride;
We were sick and growing closer to the death we should have died.
Then He heard of our condition and He called us by our names.
And the God of glory took away our shame.

Chorus

We were far out on the ocean making wealth and chasing dreams,
But the waves of great destruction brought us trembling to our knees.
And we cried like drunken sailors to the only One who hears,
And the God of comfort took away our fears.

Chorus

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Blessed are you.

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your Goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of Him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

PRAYERS FOR FAMILY OF GOD

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

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

PROPER PREFACE – PASTOR BART

Holy, Holy, Holy LBW p.110

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might

Heaven and earth are full of you glory,

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest

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LORD'S PRAYER: Our Father, who art in Heaven...

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You Are My All In All

You are my strength when I am weak.
You are the treasure that I seek, You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jew'l, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.
You are my all in all.

Chorus

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!

Taking my sin, my cross my shame
Rising again I bless Your name; You are my all in all.
When I fall down You pick me up;
When I am dry, You fill my cup; You are my all in all.

Chorus

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What A Beautiful Name

You were the Word at the beginning, one with God the Lord Most High,
Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in You, our Christ.
What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this.
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us, so Jesus, You brought heaven down.
My sin was great, Your love was greater; what could separate us now?
What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King. What a wonderful Name it is,
Nothing compares to this.
What a wonderful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You, The veil tore before You.
You silence the boast of sin and grave. The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory for You are raised to life again.

You have no rival, You have no equal.
Now and forever God, You reign.
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory,
Yours is the Name above all names.

What a powerful Name it is, What a powerful Name it is.
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against.
What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus

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BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Please see attached

CLOSING HYMN: You are Holy, You Are Whole

You are holy, you are whole. You are always ever more
Than we ever understand. You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here
To your church in wine and bread,
Raised from soil raised from dead.

You are holy, You are Wholeness,
You are present, Let the cosmos praise you Lord!
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
Hallelujah, hallelujah, our God.

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THE SENDING

P: Go in Peace.

C: Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week-at-a-Glance:

May 5 – Sun, 10:00 AM: Worship, and Sunday School
May 6- Mon, 9 AM -12. Pastor Rick's office hours
May 7 - Tues, 10:00AM – Women's Bible Study
May 8 – Wed, 9 AM: Staff Meeting
May 8 – Wed, 7 PM: Grandparenting and the Faith
May 8 – Wed, 7 PM: Small Group Roundup
May 11 – Sat, 7 PM: The Tabernacle

Month in Advance:

May 12 – Sun, 10:00 AM: Worship, and Sunday School (Mothers Day)
May 13 - Mon, 9 AM -12. Pastor Rick's office hours
May 14 – Tues, 7:00 PM: Getting to Know You at the Bergh's
May 15 – Wed, 9 AM: Staff Meeting
May 18 – Sat, 9:00AM: Annual church clean up
May 19 – Sun, 10:00 AM: Worship, and Sunday School – Pentecost Sunday

May 22 – Wed, 10:00 AM: - Staff Meeting
May 24- Fri, 9 AM -12. Pastor Rick's office hours
May 25- Sat, 8 AM- Men's Breakfast
May 26 – Sun, 10:00 AM: Worship, and Sunday School – Trinity Sunday
May 27- Mon, 9 AM -12. Pastor Rick's office hours
May 28 – Tues, 7:00 PM: Getting to Know You at the Bergh's

Pray for St. Peter's

Please remember to keep praying for the church, our pastors, leaders, members and their families.

St. Peter's Women's Bible Group – May 7, 10 AM
Second Chances – New Beginnings, Rebirth and Starting Over.

Small Group Round-Up - May 8, 7 PM – 9PM An evening to explore our first year of small groups. We share what we have learned and hear stories of why small groups are important in our faith journey. Come and see if joining a small group might be a good opportunity to grow your faith, meet new friends and draw closer to Jesus. All those who enjoyed the study on Pilgrims Progress, please come and share you experience.

The Tabernacle - May 11, 7PM

Make sure you put The Tabernacle evening worship service on your calendar and invite a friend!

Church Spring Clean-up - May 18

Please put this on your calendar. More information to how you might help is forth coming.

Getting to Know You

Last year, Erica and Pastor Rick invited people to their home to get to know them and hear their stories. We have so many new people in the church. They would love to open up their home again on Tuesday evenings. One of the side benefits is that you get to know each other as well! There are sheets on the welcoming table where you can sign up for one of the following Tuesday evenings:

May 21 or 28 / June 4 or 18

Learn Guitar – Every Sunday after Worship

Starting at very beginner level and aiming at grade 4 children and up to and including adults. This is a group class, not private lessons, and we just learn basic chords and strumming, but it's free. Some kids can have troubles playing guitar, others have no troubles. But if you are interested, talk to Pastor Bart.

Bible Camps

Don't miss out on registering for one of our church Bible camps! Please find information on the bulletin board. You can also check them out directly:

- Hasting Lake Lutheran Bible Camp (www.hastingslake.com)
- Mulhurst Lutheran Bible Camp (<https://www.mulhurstcamp.ca/>)
- Wilderness Ranch Camp (<https://www.wildernessranchalberta.com/>)
- Camp Kuriakos (<https://kuriakos.ab.ca/>)

Men's Ministry

Now that Pastor Rick's call has been confirmed, he will be working hard to develop a strong and vibrant men's ministry for all ages. He is looking for committed men to help him design, construct and implement a strategy to encourage men in their faith. Interested? Our first big event is a men's retreat

scheduled for the weekend of November 1-3 at Rivers Edge Bible Camp. Please speak with him or email him rick@rickbergh.com

Steve Bell Workshop at St. Peter’s – February 2025

This amazing opportunity will take place in early February (Friday evening and all-day Saturday workshop, date TBC). Come and explore the depth and mystery of the Trinity with musician and liturgist, Steve Bell. Join Pastor Rick and Mike to be part of the planning and implementation of this important event. This is rare opportunity to have Steve Bell come to a small venue and to have him all to ourselves. You won’t want to miss out on this!

Council Update:

	Actual	2024	2024	2024	
March month end	Monthly total	Monthly Budget	Against Budget		
income all sources	\$47,997.55	\$30,100.00	\$17,897.55	\$14,000	From V & P Savings
expenditure	\$36,934.53	\$30,686.00	(\$6,248.53)		