

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church

(Wisconsin Synod)

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WORSHIP NOTES In our second study on the familiar words of David in Psalm 23 we will walk the paths of ancient Israel with those who've learned to follow the Lord. Jesus told his disciples, "I am the GATE for the sheep." What he meant is evident throughout verses 4-6, because the Good Shepherd is the one who leads us through the valleys of life into his home in heaven. It is his promise of protection and his powerful presence that assures us – we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever!

GUESTS Welcome to our guests!



HYMN "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

CW, # 241:2-4

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

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Gracious Heavenly Father, every good and perfect gift comes from you.

C: **Enrich our lives with the Holy Spirit's gifts, so that we reflect your goodness and draw others to your grace, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.** *(spoken)*

THE WORD

EPISTLE 1 JOHN 3:13-18

Love means obedience to God. It was love that led Jesus to obey his Father, obedient to death, even death on a cross for us. Now that same love empowers us to love our brother. Hatred and

vengeance have their home east of Eden. But here, among the people of God, there is no room for hatred—only love. Christians are to be the antithesis of Cain: we lay down our lives for our brothers, not just in word, but in every daily deed. We do it because we now have that life once lost, but now regained by our living Savior. We have passed from death to life.

Do not be surprised, my brothers, if the world hates you. We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love our brothers. Anyone who does not love remains in death. Anyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life in him.

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.

GOSPEL JOHN 14:15-21

Jesus links our love for him with obedience to him and promises to send the Holy Spirit to increase our love and direct our lives.

“If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him.”

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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian 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.

HYMN OF THE DAY "The Day of Resurrection"

CW, # 166

SERMON **PSALM 23:4-6** "The Lord will Lead Us Home"

OFFERING

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about how you can continue to support God's work through our ministry at Our Savior.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & SPECIAL PRAYERS

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through
Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd of the sheep and the Lamb of God.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

P: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

HYMN "There is a Redeemer"

CW, # 747



SILENT PRAYERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! To God the Fa - ther
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to the Lamb of
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to the Ho - ly
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to our tri - une

let us bring Our songs of ad - o - ra - tion. To him
 God we sing, In whom we are e - lect - ed. He bought
 Ghost we sing, For our re - gen - er - a - tion. The sav -
 God we sing; Blest be his name for - ev - er! With an -

through ev - er - last - ing days Be wor - ship, hon - or,
 the Church with his own blood; He cleansed her in that
 ing faith in us he wrought And us un - to the
 gel hosts let us a - dore And sing his prais - es

pow'r, and praise Whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.
 bless - ed flood And as his bride se - lect - ed.
 Bride - groom brought, Made us his cho - sen na - tion.
 more and more For all his grace and fa - vor.

Sing - ing, Ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly.
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly Is our un - ion And com - mun - ion.
 Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, Bliss su - per - nal;
 Sing - ing, Ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly.

Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.
 His be - friend - ing Gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.
 There is man - na And an end - less, glad ho - san - na.
 Spread the sto - ry Of our God the Lord of glo - ry!

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The Day of Resurrection



1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil That we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful; Let earth her song be - gin.



The Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, The Pass - o - ver of God.
 The Lord in rays e - ter - nal Of res - ur - rec - tion light
 Let all the world keep tri - umph And all that is there - in.



From death to life e - ter - nal, From this world to the sky,
 And, lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, May hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things, seen and un - seen, Their notes of glad - ness blend;



Our Christ has brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry.
 His own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor strain.
 For Christ the Lord has ris - en; Our joy shall have no end.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–66, alt.
 Tune: LANCASHIRE (76 76 D) Henry T. Smart, 1813–79.

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There Is a Redeemer



1 There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all
 3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see his



Son, Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah,
 names, Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah,
 face; There I'll serve my King for - ev - er

Refrain

Ho - ly One.
 Hope for sin - ners slain. Thank you, O my
 In that ho - ly place.



Fa - ther, for giv - ing us your Son and



leav - ing your Spir - it till the work on earth is done.

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Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church & School

Our Purpose

To give glory, honor, praise and worship to our Triune God
— Father, Son and Holy Spirit —
in all that we say and do. (I Corinthians 10:10-31)

Our Mission

As men, women and children united by the Word of God
into the community of Christ, Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church
of Grafton, Wisconsin exists to:

...KNOW Jesus Christ as Savior,
...GROW in loving service to God and each other,
... GO into our community and the world with the
good news of forgiveness.

We carry out our Mission by...

- proclaiming faithfully God's inerrant Word (Law/Gospel) to lead people to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ (2 Timothy 4:2)
- gathering regularly for worship (Hebrews 10:25)
- practicing fellowship with one another (Acts 2:42-47)
- sharing the Gospel with all people (Mark 16:15)
- actively pursuing the lost and straying (Luke 15)
- growing in God's Word (ourselves, our children and others) (2 Peter 3:18)
- strengthening our families and homes (Psalm 128)
- equipping Christians for works of service in Christ's kingdom (Ephesians 4:11-16)
- living in unity and peace with our fellow believers (Ephesians 4:3)
- loving one another with an unconditional, self-sacrificing love as Christ himself loved us (John 13:34-35)
- encouraging and building each other up (I Thessalonians 5:11)
- serving the needs of all people, as we are able (Galatians 6:10)
- supporting our church and school with our prayers, time and talents and our financial offerings (2 Corinthians 8 & 9)
- joining others in sending the Gospel world-wide through the Home and World Mission program of the WELS (Romans 10:10-15)

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (5/17) 9:30 am Live stream Worship
Tuesday 8:00 pm Women's Bible Study Via Zoom
Thursday 7:00 pm Live stream Ascension Worship
Sunday (5/24) 8 & 10:30 am Worship in person ??
... watch for details during the next few days.

Check out our podcast at <http://oursavior.podbean.com/>

Check out our Facebook page



NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

1st Lesson	Genesis 4:1-16
2nd Lesson	1 John 3:11-18
Gospel	John 14:15-21
Psalm	Psalm 66

THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

PROTECTED BY HIS
POWERFUL PRESENCE
SERVICE THEME

PASTOR:

Mark Wagner

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Sarah Baumann

Vocalist:

Eric Land

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