



HOLY  
COMMUNION  
*The Fifth Sunday of Easter*

Sunday, May 15, 2022  
8:30 a.m. Eucharist

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*Exploring the promise of God for all*

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PRELUDE

Partita on “With High Delight”

Mark Sedio

*(Please stand at the sound of the bell)*

GATHERING

EASTER GREETING AND OPENING SENTENCES

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Praise the Lord from the heavens;  
praise God in the heights.

**Praise the Lord, all you angels;  
sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.**

Praise the Lord, sun and moon;  
sing praise, all you shining stars.

**Praise the Lord, heaven of heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens.**

Let them praise the name of the Lord,  
who commanded, and they were created,  
**who made them stand fast forever and ever,  
giving them a law that shall not pass away.**

OPENING HYMN

“With High Delight Let Us Unite”

Hymn 368

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

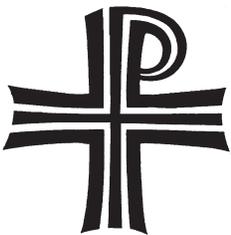
**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

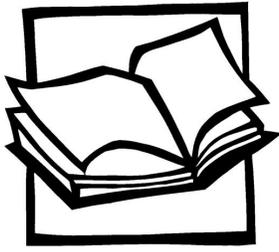
O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*



*The Holy Spirit gathers us  
in unity on this first day  
of the week.*



*God speaks to us  
in scripture  
reading, preaching,  
and song.*

## WORD

### READING

Acts 11:1-18

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the believers 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.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*All sing:*



GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

The Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<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 religious authorities 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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated)*

SERMON

*(Please stand)*

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

Hymn 359

stanzas 1-3



APOSTLES' CREED

Together we confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Freed from the tomb, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, for people in need, and for all of creation.

*Each petition concludes:*

Lord in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(Please remain standing)*

## MEAL

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe ...

...O God, blessed and Holy Trinity, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as our Savior taught:

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,**

**your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,**

**now and forever. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

### COMMUNION



*God feeds us  
with the presence  
of Jesus Christ.*

*(Please stand)*

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, generous God,  
for in this bread and cup  
we have tasted the new heaven and earth  
where hunger and thirst are no more.

Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,  
that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name

**Amen.**

#### SENDING

#### BENEDICTION

God, the Author of life,  
Christ, the living Cornerstone,  
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,  
+ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

#### CLOSING HYMN

“Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded”

see page 6



*God blesses and  
sends us in mission  
to the world.*

# Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded



1 Day of de - light and beau-ty un - bound-ed, tell the news, the gos - pel  
2 Day of de - light and beau-ty un - bound-ed, tell the news, the gos - pel



spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ  
spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ



ris - en from the dead! Sing of the sun from dark - ness ap -  
ris - en from the dead! Sing now of mourn - ing turned in - to



pear - ing; sing of the seed from bar - ren earth green - ing;  
danc - ing; sing now the mys - t'ry, hope of our glo - ry;



sing of cre - a - tion, al - le - lu - ia! Sing of the  
sing with thanks - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia! Sing now of



stream from Je - sus' side flow - ing; sing of the saints in  
fast - ing turned in - to feast - ing; sing the Lord's fa - vor



wa - ter made ho - ly; sing of sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!  
last - ing for - ev - er; sing, all things liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: IN DIR IST FREUDE, Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, 1556–1622

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*Today's postlude is an Afro-Cuban  
take on the German chorale.  
Michel (b. 1962) is the  
director of church music  
at the Christuskirche in Mannheim and  
Region Cantor for the  
state of Nordbaden.  
A prominent conductor;  
he is also widely known  
for his jazz influenced organ works.  
This piece, for obvious reasons,  
is dedicated to the  
memory of Leonard Bernstein.*

## DISMISSAL

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

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

Postlude on "In dir ist Freude"

Johannes Matthias Michel

## SERVING TODAY

Pastor Peter Nycklemoe	<i>preacher</i>
Pastor Stephanie Friesen	<i>presider</i>
Allison Eger	<i>assisting</i>
Sara Stensaas	<i>reader</i>
Deacon Cantor Mark Sedio	<i>organist</i>
Mark Kieffer	<i>video/sound</i>
Pastor Melissa Pohlman	<i>healing prayer</i>

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