



PIONEER LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

9:00 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
(Cranberry Hymnal-Setting 10, Pages 203-209)
Congregational responses are in bold print.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

P: Christ is Risen

C: Christ is Risen in dead. Alleluia

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea
into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,
freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts,
giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Gathering Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling) #631

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond
understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you
above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can
desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 10:44-48

While Peter shares the good news of Jesus with a Gentile soldier and his family, the Holy Spirit comes upon them. Recognizing that the Spirit works inclusively in the lives of both Jews and Gentiles, Peter commands that these Gentiles also be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷“Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

L. Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98

(Read responsively by verse, the LECTOR reads with the regular print and the CONGREGATION responds with the bold print. All read the refrain.)

Refrain: Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands. (Ps. 98:4)

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done | marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have | won the victory.

²**O LORD, you have made | known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight | of the nations.**

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the | house of

Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory ¹ of our God.

⁴**Shout with joy to the LORD, ¹ all you lands;
lift up your voice, re- ¹ joice, and sing.**

⁵Sing to the LORD ¹ with the harp,
with the harp and the ¹ voice of song.

⁶**With trumpets and the sound ¹ of the horn
shout with joy before the ¹ king, the LORD.**

⁷Let the sea roar, and ¹ all that fills it,
the world and those who ¹ dwell therein.

⁸**Let the rivers ¹ clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to ¹
judge the earth.**

⁹The LORD will judge the ¹ world with righteousness
and the peo- ¹ ples with equity. **R**

Refrain: Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands. (Ps. 98:4)

SECOND READING: 1 John 5:1-6

God's children believe that Jesus is the Messiah and love God by keeping God's commandments. Thus the world is conquered not through military might but through love and faith.

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

L. Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



GOSPEL: John 15:9-17

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

On the night of his arrest, Jesus delivers a final testimony to his disciples to help them in the days ahead. Here, he repeats the most important of all his commands, that they love one another.

[Jesus said:] ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love,

just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Peggy Rose

Hymn of the Day- " Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" #708

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith in song



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayers of Intercession

P: Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

C: Your Holy Spirit falls upon all who hear the word. Fill your church with the gifts of your Spirit and give understanding hearts to those who strengthen our commitments with our ecumenical and interreligious partners. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

C: You speak and the face of the earth is renewed. Revive your creation, that habitats and every kind of living thing might flourish. Protect endangered species and help us to care for all your creatures. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

C: Your world is divided and the nations rage. Grant wisdom and vision to world leaders, that they may seek justice, peace, and the good of all. Strengthen international partnerships and cooperation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

C: Your children are in need. Comfort all those who suffer, especially those afflicted by anxiety, depression, and mental illness. Help us to be conduits of your love in our care for one another. (*We pray especially for . . .*) God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

C: Your work is done in this place with our hands. Bless the ministries of this congregation (*ministries may be named*), that we may embody your love for the world. Inspire those who plan and lead worship, council members, committee members, and volunteers. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Your blessed saints now rest in you. Give us thankful hearts for those who have gone before us (*especially*). At the last, bring us all together around your heavenly banquet table. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

Offertory Hymn

"Praise and Thanksgiving" #689

(Please stand as the offerings are brought forward.)

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray together

**C. Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.
Amen.**

MEAL

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 our thanks and praise.

Preface Prayer for Easter

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE #IV

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LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray

**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.

Invitation to Communion

The Communion

As the minister and communion assistant give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond.

Amen.

“Lamb of God”



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.
e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Hymn during Communion-

“Jesus Loves Me” #595

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray together.

**Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.
Amen.**

SENDING

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
✝ bless you now and always.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” #836

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

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Welcome to Pioneer Lake Lutheran Church!

As a congregation of the ELCA, Pioneer Lake Lutheran Church practices open communion. All who believe in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and renewing of their lives are invited to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion. The sacrament is offered in bread – *the body of Christ given for you*, & red wine or white grape juice – *the blood of Christ shed for you*. Those not receiving the sacrament are invited forward for an Easter blessing – please fold your hands to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing rather than the sacrament. Please come forward by the center aisle and return to your pew by the side aisles. Please fill out the “*Welcome*” card to indicate that you communed. (As you know active membership at PLLC is determined by a record of those who commune & contribute each year.) You can also make a prayer request, update your contact information, ask the pastor to call, or let us know that you are interested in joining the congregation.

Please remember in prayer; Marilyn Hilliard, Ed Wright (Judy and Norm Johnson's brother-in-law), **Brian Drover** (Judy and Norm Johnson's nephew), **Jack Halbert** (Joyce Blaser's Great Grandson) **Kenny Moser, Donna Dow, Dick and Sandy Martin, Gene Klump, Rodd Wangen. Family and friends of Larry “Louie” Rectenwald who was buried on Tuesday.**

Please take a moment or two to check out the sign-up sheets: **helpers** are needed for the **Altar Guild; Readers** are needed for worship and volunteers are needed to prepare **fellowship time coffee and goodies**. Your help is most assuredly appreciated!

Serving in Worship

Music: Kay Hickson

Lector: Jeff Lane

Communion Assistant: Valerie Hogan

Altar Guild: Valerie Hogan

Ushers & Greeters: Harold Johnson and Richard Martin

Acolyte: Members

Attendance----Last Sunday -57

THIS WEEK AT PIONEER

**Today 9:00 am Sunday Worship
 10:00 am- Fellowship**

**Wednesday 9:00 am Quilting
 6:00 pm Recovery**

**Next Sunday 9:00 am Sunday Worship- Mother's Day
 10:00 am Fellowship**

May 13th- Council Mtg. at 6:30 pm

May 18th- Synod Assembly

May 18th - A celebration of his life for Louie Rectenwald will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024, at the Conover Community Center from 2 pm to 5 pm.

Looking Ahead

June 1st-PLLC Clean-up (Saturday) at 10:00 a.m.

June 2nd-Calling All Graduates: we would like to honor you!

June 8th-Brat Sale (ELCA Youth Gathering-check the bulletin board) is going to be at Trigs in Eagle River, from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. Looking for baked goods to sell! Looking to fill the freezer before June 8th! We have four weeks to make this happen.

June 25th - FLLC Congregation Camp Day is (9 am-3 pm)

The Easter Season is drawing to a close, please feel free to take the “Alleluia’s home.



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