

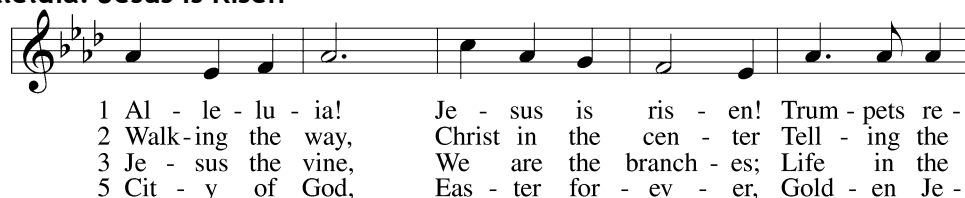
## MAY 25, 2025 - THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Prelude** - "Prayer And Praise" by Southbridge.

*Stand*

### 474 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

*sts. 1, ref, 2-3, 5*



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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

### Easter Dialog

- P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P** Sing to the Lord a new song,  
**C** for He has done marvelous things.
- P** The Lord is my strength and my song;  
**C** He has become my salvation.
- P** Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;  
**C** His love endures forever.

**P** This is the day the Lord has made;

**C** we will rejoice and be glad in it.

**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Sit*

### First Reading

*Acts 16:9–15*

<sup>9</sup>A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Psalms

*Psalms 67; antiphon: v. 3*

<sup>1</sup>May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face to shine upon us,

<sup>2</sup>that your way may be known on earth,  
your saving power among all nations.

<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you!

<sup>4</sup>Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth.

<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you!

<sup>6</sup>The earth has yielded its increase;  
God, our God, shall bless us.

<sup>7</sup>God shall bless us;  
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### Epistle

*Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27*

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high

mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— <sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

<sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

<sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup>and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 173*



### Holy Gospel

*John 16:23–33*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>23</sup>[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. <sup>24</sup>Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

<sup>25</sup>“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

<sup>29</sup>His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

# 556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

sts. 1, 5-7



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re-joice, With ex-ul-ta-tion  
5 God said to His be-lov-ed Son: "It's time to have com-  
6 The Son o-beyed His Fa-ther's will, Was born of vir-gin  
7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and  
spring-ing, And with u-nit-ed heart and voice And ho-ly  
pas-sion. Then go, bright jew-el of My crown, And bring to  
moth-er; And God's good plea-sure to ful-fill, He came to  
cas-tle. Your ran-som I My-self will be; For you I  
rap-ture sing-ing, Pro-claim the won-ders God has done, How  
all sal-va-tion. From sin and sor-row set them free; Slay  
be my broth-er. His roy-al pow'r dis-guised He bore; A  
strive and wres-tle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And  
His right arm the vic-t'ry won. What price our ran-som cost Him!  
bit-ter death for them that they May live with You for-ev-er."  
ser-vant's form, like mine, He wore To lead the dev-il cap-tive.  
where I am you may re-main; The foe shall not di-vide us.

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## Sermon

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## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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**Anthem** - The Parish Choir sings "Hymn Of Promise" by Natalie Sleeth.

*Kneel*

## Prayer of the Church

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God, in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*Each petition ends:*

**P** Lord, in Your mercy:

**C** **Hear our prayer!**

*The Prayers conclude:*

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all those for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

*LSB 179*

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

**C** **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.**

## Collect

**A** Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Benediction

*LSB 183*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

*Stand*

## 830 Spread the Reign of God the Lord

All sing sts. 1, 2, 5, 6; Font-side sings s. 3 and Pulpit-side sings s. 4.



- 1 Spread the reign of God the Lord, Spo - ken, writ - ten, might-y Word;  
2 Tell how God the Fa - ther's will Made the world, up - holds it still,  
3 Tell of our Re-deem-er's grace, Who, to save our hu-man race  
4 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n,



Ev - 'ry - where His crea-tures call To His heav'n-ly ban - quet hall.  
How His own dear Son He gave Us from sin and death to save.  
And to pay re - bel-lion's price, Gave Him-self as sac - ri - fice.  
Strong and ho - ly, just and true, Work-ing both to will and do.

- 5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;  
Ripe the promise of its yield.  
But the reapers, oh, how few  
For the work there is to do!
- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,  
Rouse to action heart and mind;  
Let the gath'ring nations all  
See Your light and heed Your call.

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**Postlude** - “Go Forth With Hosannas” by Ritter.

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