

Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 19, 2019
8:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

stand as you are able

Gathering Hymn 'Morning Has Broken' **556**

Greeting

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P 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.**

please be seated

Hymn of Praise

'Now the Feast and Celebration' **167**
(Refrain, vs 1, Refrain)

Prayer of the Day

P 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.

C **Amen**

First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

¹Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵"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. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The 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. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If 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?" ¹⁸When 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."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

Second Reading

Revelations 21:1-6

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; ⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." ⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Acclamation

'Be Not Afraid'

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C Be not afraid, sing out for joy!

Christ is risen, alleluia! *(repeat all)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 13th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.

³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.'³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

please be seated

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

'Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia' vs 1-3

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Holy Baptism

Ean Jacob Hilger

pp. 227-231

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Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God. Come near to us with your saving help, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C Amen

Peace *The people greet one another saying:
"Peace be with you".*

please be seated

Special Music at the Offering

'Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing'

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Offertory *'This Joyful Eastertide'* vs 1 **391**

Offering Prayer

A Risen One,

C as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal. Nourish us to follow you, using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary, and all for your love's sake. Amen

Great Thanksgiving p. 144

Lord's Prayer p. 145

please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

Communion, this morning, will be by intinction. The ushers will direct you to the front, first the pulpit side and then lectern side. Come up using the center aisle and return by the side aisle. Wine will be in the larger portion and grape juice in the smaller portion of the chalice. Gluten free wafers available by request. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God' p. 146

'Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!' **373**

'We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus' **451**

'I Come with Joy' **482**

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A Living God,

C you have greeted us in our brokenness
and nourished us with the body of Christ,
broken for us. Risen to new life with you,
send us now to bear your healing love into
the wounded world, in the name of our
risen Savior and Lord. Amen

Blessing

P The blessing of the living God, Father, † Son,
and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you,
keep you from harm, and fill you with courage.

C Amen

Sending Hymn

'Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia' vs 4 & 5 **364**

Dismissal

A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Teacher Recognition at 10:30 am service

This morning we want to thank our very dedicated teaching staff. They spend many hours preparing and teaching our children. Thanks goes to Diane Bailey, Marilyn Catlin, Lois Hilger, Tracy LyBoualong, and Bethany Nieft. We thank them for all they do for our children, for us and for our church. Thank You!!

Worship Assistants: May 19

Greeters: Mason – Kathy Lanska
East – Joyce Learman

Assisting Minister: Mandie Klauer

Lector: Cheryl Muggenthaler

Communion 8:30: Gene Krull

Communion 10:30: Deb Werth

Ushers: Robbie Johnson, Aaron Seidl, Jon Seidl

Organist: Diane Bailey

Soloist: Cortney Ascher

Attendance 05/12/19: 8:30 - 52 10:30 – 65

Grilled Cheese Lunch: 05/09/19 – 82

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Welcome to Grace

Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today.

There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area.

*If you are looking for a church home,
you are welcome here.*

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Marie Mueller.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Mike VerKuilen; Rylene Houterman; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev; Jim Marks; Darlene, Linda Grebe's mom; Judy Cross; Debra Ragen; Tom Muggenthaler; Sherry Nymoan; Gene Krull; Ron Bailey.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Dottie Frankie; Karen Krull; Louie Dumke; Jeff Schramm.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Thank you for **signing the card** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Sandy Yerxa is starting a branch of **Quilts of Valor (QOV)** at Grace. She needs the names of those that have served and during what years and what war. If you could let the office know or Sandy directly at 716-7728 as we gather this information.

Items may be brought in anytime now and stored in the NW corner of the PAC for Grace annual **Rummage Sale** May 31st and June 1st. Help is needed for set up tables May 26th after worship, May 28th Set up and drop off 6-8 pm, May 29th Set up 9-1, May 31st Sale 8am -5pm, June 1st Sale 9am-Noon. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex.

Directory Update

We are working on gathering information from those we did not hear from. We will let you know when it is available.

On June 9th Grace will hold it's **semi-annual meeting**. We will have an election with many positions open. Please prayerfully consider having your name placed on the ballot. We have opening for President, Vice-president, Treasurer, Property, and Worship and Music. I sent an Email to all those individuals that I need a report from to be included in the annual report for 2018 to be presented at the meeting. Please reply by June 1st.

There are extra **time and talent sheets** available on the table in the narthex. Please don't forget to fill them out and return them. You can place them in the offering plate or on the table in the copy room.

All Donations Matched! Until May 31, 2019 all donations to elevator fund at FVLH will be matched up to \$50,000! Donate online, by mail, or in person!

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Apartments for rent: 1 & 2 BR; Call Becky or Katie at 734-7225.

On Sunday **June 2, 2019** we will be recognizing **all individuals who are graduating** this year from any schooling experience. It may be high school, college, tech school. Please send the graduates name with any appropriate information including future plans, to the church office by May 19th.

Remember May 26, 2019 (next week) we **change our worship schedule to one worship at 9:00 am** for the summer.

Today we welcome **Ean Jacob Hilger** into God's family thru **baptism** at the 8.30 am service. Ean is the son of Stephen and Kaleigh Hilger. Ean's God parents are Ellen Hilger and Jacob Ascher. Welcome to the family!!



Imagine Fox Cities is a new, inclusive, community-wide initiative created to be more intentional about shaping the future of the Fox Cities when it comes to well-being. Imagine Fox Cities is currently in the discovery phase.

The Appleton Conference Leadership Team is pleased to host one of the 50+ conversations happening across our communities this spring.

**Please come share *your* dreams, hopes,
and insights
along with other ELCA & community
members!**

**Thursday, May 30
6:30 - 8:00 P.M
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
2330 E. Calumet St., Appleton**

Our time together will include an Ice Cream Social

**RSVP with your name & congregation to Nancy
Jones**

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GRACE FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, May 19** 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship
- Monday, May 20**7:30 pm AA Meeting
Newsletter items due
- Tuesday, May 21** 8:30 am Quilting
- Wednesday, May 22**9:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 pm Worship
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting
- Thursday, May 23**..... 10:00 am Grilled Cheese
- Friday, May 24**..... 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- Saturday, May 25**9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
7:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship
- Sunday, May 26** 9:00 a.m. Worship

The love of a
FAMILY
is life's greatest blessing

