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MAY 2ND, 2021 + FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

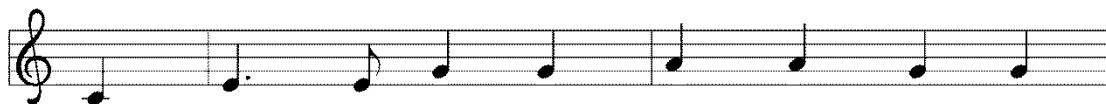
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**
God of all mercy and consolation...of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

HYMN

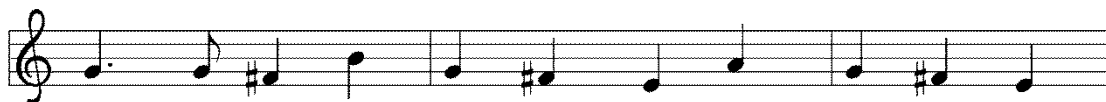
"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"



1 My hope is built on nothing less than
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus -
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,



Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my
rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and
tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are
may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -



own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.
ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

GREETING & KYRIE

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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen and amen.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.

Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:

we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.

Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;

on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.

Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;

Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:

Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.

For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LET THE CHILDREN COME AND BLESSING OF THE SOIL , SEED & WATER

FIRST READING: Acts 8:26-40

PSALM 22:25-31

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:7-21

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

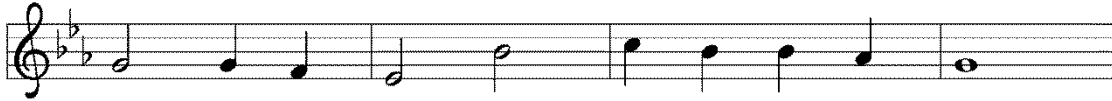
GOSPEL: The holy gospel according to John 15:1-8 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

after the reading

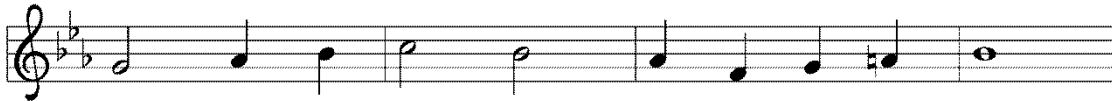
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

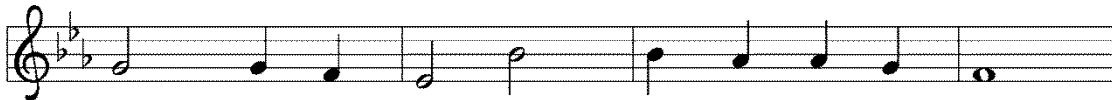
"Abide with Me"



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes,



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
 earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see;
 Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;



help of the help - less, oh, a - bide with me.
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, oh, a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me!
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING PRAYER & SONG

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,

we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices. Lord, use our hands. Lord use our lives. They are yours: We are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,

we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

HOLY COMMUNION

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.**

It is indeed....we praise your name and join together:

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might, heaven and earth are fully of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN

"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"

- 1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain

Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

- 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

- 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*



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Mission Support

January – March 2021	
Year To Date Income	\$107,335.95
Year To Date Expense	95,573.62
YTD Income over Expense	11,762.33
A week of OSLC ministry:	\$7,196.17
General Fund Offering from last week :	\$5,008.50

We, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, welcome all to share Christ's love, grow in faith, and to live a life of service glorifying God.

The Radio Broadcast is in memory of Del Creviston & Amanda Creviston-Lerud given by their families.

Our May Bible Reading Challenge is to read the Old Testament Book of Jonah. This is a great short story that reflects on how God calls us. **Bible Book Club** will also meet on Tuesday, May 18 at 3:00 pm. All are welcome to come and share in conversation on the book of Jonah.

The Missionary Calendar has many open dates for 2021. Show your support of the church around the world by signing up for a day and making a donation of \$25. You'll support the work of Global Health Ministries and our missionaries, Willie and Anne Landgi, who serve as ELCA Regional Representatives in Western Africa.

The Valley City Troubadours have a concert today, May 2 at 4:00 pm at Connect Church, 320 Central Ave S, Valley City. Enjoy some great music!

THERE IS A SPOT FOR YOU at worship. Gather in-person at either 8:30 or 10:30 am. Worship will also be on Facebook Live at 8:30am and 11:00am Radio Broadcast on KOVC 1490 AM. Hear the good news of God's deep love in Jesus.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity! Offerings can be left in the back of the sanctuary, mailed to the church office at 138 3rd St. NW, Valley City, or given online at www.oursaviorsvc.org, by clicking the blue "Give Now" button at the bottom of the homepage.

A note from City-County Health: All adults qualify now for a COVID-19 vaccination. Go to the City County Health District website at www.citycountyhealth.org to sign up for a time and date to get your COVID vaccine. If you don't have a computer, call City County Health District at 845-8518.

Monday Morning Prayer Group will not gather in person at this time. From wherever we are on Monday mornings, we will start our week in prayer as we pause and pray for the people of Our Savior's as well as a variety of prayer concerns, This week, we hold in prayer: Connie Dahl; Paul & Margaret Dahlberg; Wilbert & Betty Dallmann; Steve Davidson; Ken & Ila DeKrey; Evelyn Delmore; Gerry & Melissa Didier, Cara, Kristen, Richard.

Psalm 22:25-31

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear
the LORD.

²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who
seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to
the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before
God.

²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the
nations.**

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in
worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be
dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰**Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they
shall proclaim to generations to come.**

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet
unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

A Prayer Attributed to St. Francis

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is discord, union;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand;

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal
life.

Amen.

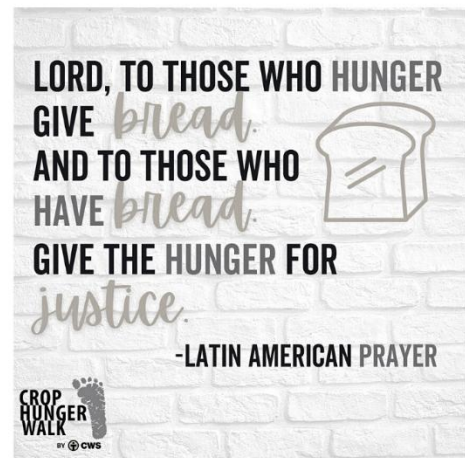
CROP Hunger Walk Wednesday, May 5

Start between 6:30-7:00 pm

Ends at 8:00 pm

Walk the mile sidewalk around Jefferson School &
Athletic Fields area. Start your walk on any one of the
four corners. Bring a donation. Sign in. Learn about
hunger issues and how your donations make a
difference. Donations may also be left in the back of the
sanctuary.

Donations support the Barnes County Food Pantry &
Church World Service Hunger Programs around the
world.



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