

***The Spirit of Truth
dwells with you
and will be in you.***

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ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! He is risen indeed, alleluia! That ancient exchange of greetings on Easter morning says it all and so is often used throughout the Easter season. You are especially welcome to our chief Divine Service this day during the Easter season! We are glad that you are here and invite you to be present with us each and every Sunday. You are also welcome to any of our congregation's other activities, to seek out spiritual direction from our pastor, and to make Pilgrim your church home!

AS YOU ARRIVE, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE: To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The Δ symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing "Amen.", if an "Amen" is not already included.

HOLY COMMUNION: At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion>.


INDIVIDUAL CUPS: The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 2026 MAY 10
DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE (*Lutheran Service Book*, pp.151-166.)

+++ IN THE NAME OF JESUS +++



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SERVICE OF THE WORD

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(Chant the Psalm responsively: the congregation sings the indented and bold portions.
The indicated antiphon is sung both before the Psalm and after the *Gloria Patri*.
See *LSB* xxvi for how the text and the tone correspond.)

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 For ... let us pray to the Lord:  **Lord, have mercy.**
(Offerings placed in the Box in the Narthex before the Service are brought forward here.)

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+++ TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY +++

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 10, 2026

BEFORE THE SERVICE: As you greet and visit one another, please be sensitive to others who may wish an opportunity for silence to pray and otherwise to prepare for worship.

OFFERING BOX: Offerings may be placed in the Offering Box in the Narthex before or after services. Envelopes are available on the side of the Box for your use, such as if you would like your cash offering to be recorded, tracked, and receipted in a report back to you.

PEW CUSHIONS: If you would like to use a cushion either for your seat or for your seat and back, cushions for your use are available in the Usher's Closet off the north side of the Narthex.

PEW SLIPS: *Visitors*, please register your attendance both by completing a slip from rack on the back of the pews and placing them in the Offering Box in the Narthex and by signing the Guest Register at the door. *Members*, please complete a slip only if your contact information has changed or you have a new or updated prayer-list request. (The Usher tracks church attendance and communion participation.)

GROWING IN WORSHIP: Parents, please make use of the bulletins available in the Narthex for children aged 5-10, including the bulletins' activities for the whole week!

LARGER-PRINT/FLOW-THROUGH BINDERS are available in the Narthex for those who have trouble seeing the smaller-print of the hymnal, those with other special needs who cannot follow the liturgy in the hymnal or handle its weight, and those who are visiting Pilgrim who are not already familiar with liturgical services and/or our hymnal. If you need or otherwise want to use a flow-through and can help minimize paper and copying expenses, a PDF of the flow-through binder's contents is available in the upper-right corner of Pilgrim's homepage, www.pilgrimlc.org, to open on or to download to your electronic device.

PRAYER REQUEST: If you have a special petition for the Prayers of the Church, please notify the Usher, Elder on Duty, or Pastor before the service.

IF A NEED SHOULD ARISE, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall (non-ADA Restrooms are available in the Office Area, one with a change table), and there is a Cry Room (also with a change table) off the south side of the Narthex. Let the Usher or Elder-on-Duty know if you need assistance or supplies.

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LAST WEEK: There were no students but 1 teacher prepared for Sunday School; 10 people were present in-person for Adult Bible Class, and 1 person participated via Jitsi; and 33 people were present in-person for the Sunday Divine Service (22 communed), and 5 devices streamed the Service live via YouTube. (Midweek Bible Study and Thursday Catechesis were not held due to Pastor Galler's vacation.)

THANKS: to all those caring for the inside and outside of Pilgrim's facilities; to Rev. Adler for the use of his chasubles; to Remo Gualtieri and Ben Ford, and all those helping with the video and audio for classes and services; and to Ellen Menconi for her Church Office work.

SERVING TODAY: The Rev. David L. Adler, Guest Pastor; Remo Gualtieri, Elder on Duty; and Debbie Shockley, Substitute Organist Service Operator.

SUBSTITUTE ORGANIST SERVICE: Today our usual accompanist Elaine Navaille is recovering from cataract surgery and resting her hands, and we are staying familiar with using the Substitute Organist Service. Remember that there are short introductions to some liturgical pieces, that we hear the Psalm tone once at the beginning and then sing the Psalm *a capella*, and that any Amens added to hymn stanzas marked with △ will also be sung *a capella* after the music ends.

LIFE THOUGHTS: Like Athens at the time of the Apostle Paul's preaching (Acts 17:16), the world today is full of idols, maybe of a different shape, but just as deadly. These idols craftily disguise themselves with practical-sounding words and phrases, such as "reproductive health care" and "death with dignity". The One True God, the Lord of Life, offers a better way. Jesus says, "Because I live, you will also live" (John 14:19). We have been given the Helper, the Spirit of Truth, Who dwells in us (John 14:16-17), so we serve God in our various vocations as Gospel-motivated voices for Life, always being ready to make a defense for the hope that is in us (1 Peter 3:15).

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: "If you love me, you will keep My commandments" (John 14:15). Jesus is clear: our obedience to His Word comes from our love for Him. But, from where does our love for come? Jesus tells us that as well: "Her sins, which are many, are forgiven — for she loved much" (Luke 7:47). Christ shows us His love and gives us the forgiveness of our sins, which causes love for Him to well up in us and keep His commandments.

AS YOU DEPART, please be mindful of those who are ushered out behind you, who may have difficulty standing and waiting, and so who may need an open path to the door and to get to their cars quickly. If you stop to talk to someone in the Sanctuary, please keep the aisle as clear as possible and please delay lengthier conversations with the pastor until after he has greeted everyone. Thank you for your consideration!

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX are hardcopies of Pastor Galler's recent newspaper columns (including his 05/02 column titled, "The Lord can be your shepherd"); the May 2026 edition of Pilgrim's monthly newsletter, *The Pilgrimage*; the larger-print schedule of Daily Bible Reading for April and May; Pilgrim's Constitution, Bylaws, and updated Standing Rules; *Portals of Prayer* for April-June 2026; the latest Church Directory (dated 2026/01/22 on light-blue paper); issue #16 (Autumn 2025) of *Christian Culture: A printed Magazine for Lutherans* from Luther Classical College; and Pilgrim's Funeral Planning Worksheet for completing, discussing with Pastor Galler, and filing in the Church Office.

PASTOR'S VACATION: Pastor Galler's second of his five weeks of 2026 vacation continues through midday Tuesday, May 12. An Elder is monitoring the Church Phone and will contact the on-call pastor if needed.

HELP WANTED: Pilgrim is in immediate need of a Financial Secretary and a Facilities Coordinator. If you are willing to take on either responsibility on a temporary interim or regular term basis, please speak with Acting-President Remo Gualtieri as soon as possible. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of the congregation's needs!

STUDY HOURS: Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email pastor@pilgrimlc.org or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please call Pastor Galler.

"ALL THE PROPHETS TESTIFY": Pilgrim's Midweek Bible Study will continue this Wednesday, May 13, at 7:00 p.m. with Amos 5:1-17 (part 2). All of the prophetic books testify that everyone who believes in Jesus receives life in His Name (Acts 10:42-43). All people are welcome to participate in the Study, either in-person in the Conference Room/Library or on-line via Jitsi. For more information and for the handouts and audio and

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video files from past sessions, see <https://www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/prophets>.

ASCENSION DAY: Divine Service will be offered this Thursday, May 14, at 7:00 p.m. Come celebrate the Lord's seating our human nature in heaven!

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class ("Basic Bible Accounts"); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service, followed by a gathering of Pilgrim's Mary/Martha Society.

Readings: Ac 1:12-26; Ps 68; 1 Pe 4:12-19; 5:6-11; and Jn 17:1-11.

Hymns: LSB 487, 539, 652, 517 (st.1,13, 3), 753, and 754.

Prepare yourself for worship in advance by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture Readings and Hymns.

PILGRIM'S MARY/MARTHA SOCIETY will gather next Sunday May 17 after the Divine Service to share lunch and to continue its study of the Women of the Bible, focusing on Anna. All women are invited!

ELDERS' MEETING: Pilgrim's next regular Elders' Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library. If you have an item of concern that the Elders should address, please share it with Pastor Galler, your Elder, or one of the other Elders before then. Elders will please come having read and being prepared to discuss Augsburg Confession and Apology Article XVII: Christ's Return for Judgment, *Concordia*, pp.40, 197.
FIFTH-SUNDAY MEAL: Plan now to stay after the Divine Service on Sunday, May 31, for our "quarterly" Fifth-Sunday Meal. Bring a dish to share, and enjoy the time with your brothers and sisters in Christ!

CATECHESIS: On Thursday, May 21, the in-person adult class will meet starting at 12:30 p.m. in the Conference/Room Library; the Jitsi youth class will meet starting at 4:15 p.m. online, and the in-person family class will meet starting at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library

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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING: Pilgrim's Church Council has scheduled a Special Council Meeting for Sunday, May 31, after the Fifth-Sunday Meal to consider internal action in keeping with the Voters' decision on April 12.

TEXAS SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL: www.texasshakespeare.com.

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