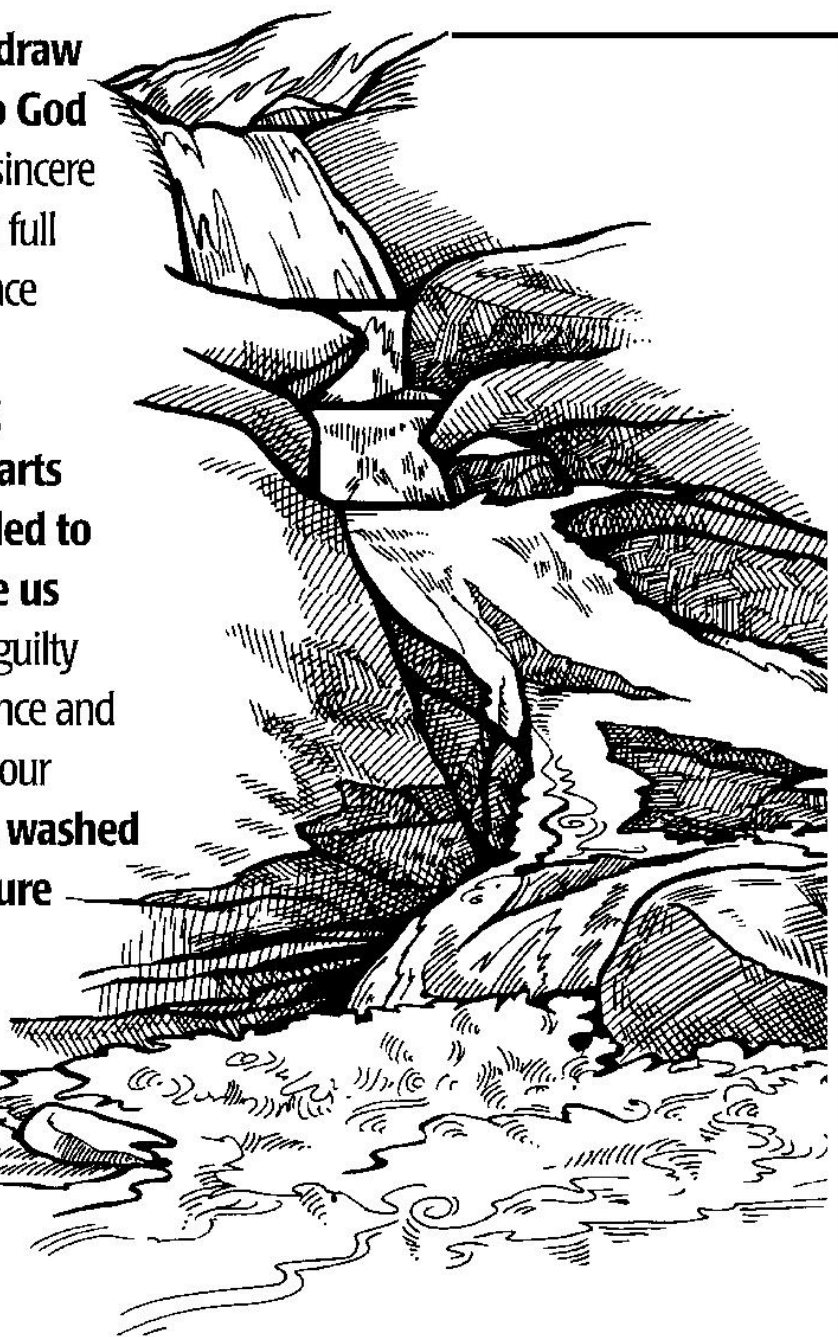


**Let us draw  
near to God  
with a sincere  
heart in full  
assurance  
of faith,  
having  
our hearts  
sprinkled to  
cleanse us  
from a guilty  
conscience and  
having our  
bodies washed  
with pure  
water.**

Hebrews  
10:22



# WELCOME

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Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Please sign the guest register in the entry  
as you leave the church today.

## TODAY'S SERVICE

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*Speakers:*

Pastor Matthew Ude

*Organists:*

Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

*Liturgy:*

Liturgy: Setting One

large print bulletins available, ask the ushers

Services are streamed live to the TV in the kitchen (channel 4).

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# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

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## *Psalm 148*

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! 2 Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts! 3 Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all you stars of light! 4 Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, And you waters above the heavens! 5 Let them praise the name of the LORD, For He commanded and they were created. 6 He also established them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not pass away. 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, You great sea creatures and all the depths; 8 Fire and hail, snow and clouds; Stormy wind, fulfilling His word; 9 Mountains and all hills; Fruitful trees and all cedars; 10 Beasts and all cattle; Creeping things and flying fowl; 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth; 12 Both young men and maidens; Old men and children. 13 Let them praise the name of the LORD, For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven. 14 And He has exalted the horn of His people, The praise of all His saints-- Of the children of Israel, A people near to Him. Praise the LORD!

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

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Hymn 231 — We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost

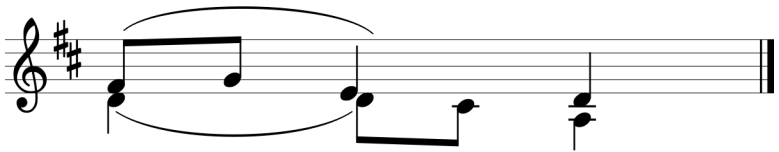
## EASTER GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.



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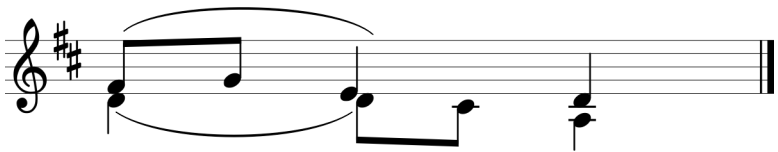
men.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

P Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

All Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

P God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



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men.

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This is the feast of victory for our  
 God. Al-le - lu - ia, alle - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was  
 slain, whose blood set us free to be people of  
 God. This is the feast of victory for our  
 God. Al-le - lu - ia, alle - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

2. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and  
 hon-or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His.



5 This is the feast of victory for our God.



6 Al-le - lu-ia, alle - luia, al-le - lu - ia. 3. Sing with



3 all the peo - ple of God, and join in the



7 hymn of all cre - a - tion: 4. Bless - ing,



6 hon-or, glo - ry, and might be to God and the



4 Lamb for-ev-er. A - men. This is the



6 feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-



2 lu - ia, alle - lu-ia, al-le - lu - ia. 5. For the

5 Lamb — who was slain has be - gun His  
 9 reign. Al - le - lu - ia. This is the  
 3 feast of vic - tory for our God. Al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P Let us pray . . . Almighty God, by Your great  
 goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we  
 may be governed and preserved evermore in body  
 and soul; through Jesus Christ your son, our Lord,  
 who lives, and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and forever.

C A - men.



## THE WORD

*Revelation 21:1-7* Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. 2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. 4 “And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.” 5 Then He who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new.” And He said to me, “Write, for these words are true and faithful.” 6 And He said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. 7 “He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.

*John 16:12-22* “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 “However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. 14 “He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. 15 “All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you. 16 “A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me, because I go to the Father.” 17 Then some of His disciples said among themselves, “What is this that He says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me’; and, ‘because I go to the Father ‘?’” 18 They said therefore, “What is this that He says, ‘A little while ‘? We do not know what He is saying.” 19 Now Jesus knew that they desired to ask Him, and He said to them, “Are you inquiring among yourselves about what I said, ‘A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me ‘? 20 “Most assuredly, I say to you that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; and you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy. 21 “A woman, when she is in labor, has sorrow because her

hour has come; but as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. 22 “Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you.

P Blessed are they who hear the  
Word of God and keep it!



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Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!



These words are written that we may believe that



Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

**Hymn 377:1,2,9,10 — Salvation Unto Us Has Come**

# SERMON

*Acts 11:1-18* Now the apostles and brethren who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God. 2 And when Peter came up to Jerusalem, those of the circumcision contended with him, 3 saying, "You went in to uncircumcised men and ate with them!" 4 But Peter explained it to them in order from the beginning, saying: 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying; and in a trance I saw a vision, an object descending like a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came to me. 6 "When I observed it intently and considered, I saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air. 7 "And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' 8 "But I said, 'Not so, Lord! For nothing common or unclean has at any time entered my mouth.' 9 "But the voice answered me again from heaven, 'What God has cleansed you must not call common.' 10 "Now this was done three times, and all were drawn up again into heaven. 11 "At that very moment, three men stood before the house where I was, having been sent to me from Caesarea. 12 "Then the Spirit told me to go with them, doubting

nothing. Moreover these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. 13 "And he told us how he had seen an angel standing in his house, who said to him, 'Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon whose surname is Peter, 14 'who will tell you words by which you and all your household will be saved.' 15 "And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them, as upon us at the beginning. 16 "Then I remembered the word of the Lord, how He said, 'John indeed baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' 17 "If therefore God gave them the same gift as He gave us when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God?" 18 When they heard these things they became silent; and they glorified God, saying, "Then God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life."

## **Do Not Despise What Christ Has Cleansed**

Peter and the early Christians had to learn that there was no longer any distinction between the Israelites and the Gentiles. Now they are all one in Christ. We too need to learn not to look down on or judge that which God has cleansed. This includes both our fellow Christians and ourselves. The Father has promised that we are clean in the blood of Christ. Who are we to say or think otherwise?

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Cre - ate in me a  
clean heart, O God. Re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Your presence; take not Your Ho - ly  
Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free  
Spir - it.

Hymn 234 [MFH 76] — Holy Ghost, with Light Divine



# OFFERING



Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to

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yield Thee Glad-ly, free-ly, of Thine own;



With the sun - shine of Thy good - ness



Melt our thank-less hearts of stone Till our



cold and self-ish na - tures, Warmed by



Thee, at length be - lieve That more



hap - py and more bless - ed 'Tis to



give than to re - ceive.

## PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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.

## THE BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



C A - men. A - men. A - men.

Hymn 736 — At the Lambs High Feast We Sing



# Announcements

## THIS WEEK

### Sunday 5/19

9am Worship Service  
10am Sunday School  
10am Adult Choir  
10:15am Call Meeting

### Monday 5/20

5pm Monday Night Bible Class

### Wednesday 5/22

4pm Confirmation Class

### Sunday 5/26

9am Communion Service  
10am Adult Choir Practice

## SERMON TEXT FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acts 16:9-15

## UPCOMING

May 30th – Ascension Sunday

June 2nd - Church Picnic

## MAY SUNDAY (AND ASCENSION) USHERS

John Bobek, Martin Hansen,  
David Dillie, Joe Brown

## ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week: Team #6:  
Don Casey, Roy Draheim

Next Week: Team #1:  
Steve Meilan, Dean Bremer

## FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance: 118

General: \$4537

Missions: \$450

## MEMORIALS

\$50 Rob Kearly - School Fund

\$100 Rob Kearly - School Fund

\$50 Evelyn Rieges - School Fund

## TEACHER CALL

June Schmid returned the call to Faith. The voters will be meeting after church to call again.

## MUSTANG PIZZAS

If you ordered pizza from the basketball team, they are ready and waiting with your name on them in the fridge in the lunch room.

## DELEGATES CONFERENCE

Delegates conference is June 3rd and 4th in Madison. Faith is allowed two delegates. If anyone is interested in representing Faith at the delegates conference let pastor know.

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

\$11,145 account balance

School board approved \$500 for all the stuff for the float. This includes, banner, candy, and pens.

Church Picnic is scheduled for June 2nd. As always the school board will provide meat and buns. Members are asked to bring a dish to pass around.

Preschool program was discussed.

VBS details were discussed.

Book orders were delayed while we wait to see if June will take the call.

## COUNCIL MEETING

\$19,365 - account balance

\$18,756 - April Expenses

\$21,958 - April Income

\$11,145 - Building Fund Balance

\$3,755 - Mission Offerings

Discussed running network cable to teacherage and parsonage.

LP is scheduled for the year.

Jim Brown is taking care of replacing motion sensor in lunch room.

Frank Quade is planning to replace parsonage sidewalk and install new sign.

Discussed running natural gas line to church.

No graduates from Faith this year but June 2nd will still be graduation Sunday.

Discussed accepting online donations. John Bobek and Matt Dumke found a company that will only cost \$10 a month and will allow donations through a website and through a phone app. Information about this is available on the bulletin board. For more information ask John Bobek or Matt Dumke.

Discussed second service during the winter.

## **VBS FLOAT**

There is a basket in back for donations towards the float for the June Dairy Days parade (June 7,8). The money donated will be used to decorate the float, buy T-Shirts for the kids, a banner promoting our VBS, and pens and candy to distribute.

If you would like to help build and decorate the float please talk to Randy Strelow, (414) 254-3638

## **CHURCH IN THE WOODS**

Our annual church in the woods event is currently set for Sunday August 25th. Everyone is welcome to come and Camp on Dumke's that weekend, August 23 – 25th. Make sure to mark it on your calendars.

## **IMMANUEL REGISTRATION**

Parents, if you are interested in registering your students for ILHS for the 2019-2020 school year, the process can be found at this link <https://tinyurl.com/y5ppurww>

## **THE BRANCHES**

“The Branches” is a CLC Christian Women’s magazine which is published quarterly. Subscriptions are available for the 2019-2020 subscription year (July through June). The Branches staff prays that, through this publication, we serve: to encourage you in your personal and family Bible study to edify you in your daily walk with Christ to provide a means to use and share your God-given gifts to celebrate and reflect upon God’s gift of Christian sisters, near and far Consider a subscription for yourself and/or gift subscriptions for women in your life! The cost is \$15.00/year for 4 issues. Checks are payable to, “The Branches,” and should be sent to: Laura Wales, Subscription Manager, 8727 Forest view Lane North, Maple Grove, MN 55369. Online payments are also available via PayPal - you may contact Laura Wales at [lewales@gmail.com](mailto:lewales@gmail.com).

## **ARISE AND SHINE RETREAT**

Registration is now open! Our theme for this year is “Confidence!” In this post-truth age that we live in, so many have a hard time knowing what to believe.

The Lord does not want us to have uncertainty but rather calls us to be confident in His Word and the salvation which He has won. If you are in your 20’s or 30’s and are looking for a relaxing getaway weekend of fun and fellowship, consider signing up for this retreat. The cost is \$140 per adult and \$100 per child. The retreat will be held June 13-16 in Pillager, MN. For more information, visit our website: <http://ariseandshineretreat.com>.

Blessings in Christ,

Pastor Sam Rodebaugh



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