

The Lord is my

LIGHT AND

SALVATION

Whom shall I fear?



Psalm 27:1

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

The Ascended Lord Watches Over Us

BROOKLYN LUTHERAN CHURCH | Brooklyn Park, Minnesota

May 13, 2018

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are thankful that you've chosen to worship with us.

We love children worshipping with us, but we understand that kids can get restless. We have a few options for your convenience: Quiet Bags in the back of church, a Quiet Area in the library area of our Commons, and Changing Tables in both washrooms down the hallway to the right as you exit the chapel.

Most of the service is projected on the front wall. You can also find the service and hymns in the hymnal. Bibles are available on request, if you want to follow along with the readings, or follow today's readings from your mobile device. *Please be sure to silence your mobile device so you don't disrupt the service or distract people's worship.*

SERVICE NOTES FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus prayed for us the night before he died. He prays for us still in heaven, and God has answered his prayer.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

When troubles and worries come, remind me to look up to you and take comfort that you, Lord, are always looking out for me. Amen.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist

Organist

Ushers

Pastor Erich Westphal

Sasha Schallert

Dan Gabrielson, Tom Gabrielson

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OPENING HYMN

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COME, OH, COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD

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Venite

PSALM OF THE DAY

Christian Worship: Supplement | **Psalm 124**

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FIRST LESSON

Acts 1:15-26

The devil rages, but he rages in vain. His plans to destroy Jesus and the possibility of faith have been defeated.

In those days, when the group there numbered about 120 people, Peter stood up among the brothers and said, ¹⁶“Gentlemen, brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through the mouth of David about Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷Judas was counted as one of us and was given a share in this ministry.

¹⁸“Now this man acquired a field with what he was paid for his wicked act. When he fell headfirst, his middle burst open, and all his intestines spilled out. ¹⁹This became known to all the residents of Jerusalem, and so in their own language that field was called Akeldema, which means Field of Blood. ²⁰Indeed, it is written in the book of Psalms:

May his residence be deserted.

Let there be no one dwelling in it.

And,

let someone else take his position.

²¹“Therefore it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us during the entire time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from his baptism by John until the day Jesus was taken up from us, become a witness with us of his resurrection.”

²³They proposed two: Joseph called Barsabbas (who was also called Justus) and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this apostolic ministry from which Judas turned away to go to his own place.”

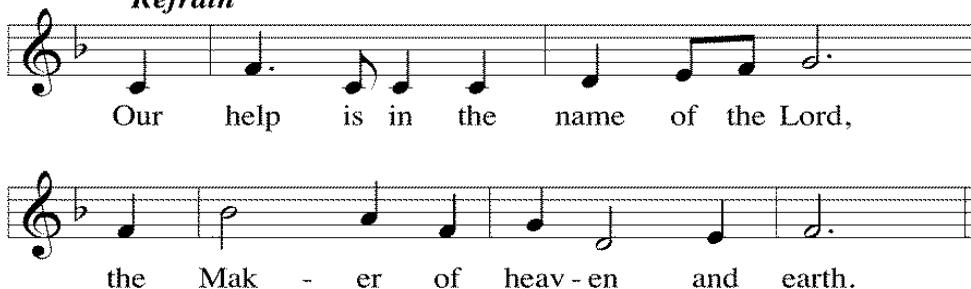
²⁶Then they assigned lots for them, and the lot fell to Matthias. So he was counted with the eleven apostles.

CHOIR

Across the Lands You’re the Word of God

Psalm 124

Refrain



Our help is in the name of the Lord,
the Mak - er of heav - en and earth.

Psalm Tone



If the LORD had not been on our side—let Israel say—
if the LORD had not been on our side when men attacked us,
when their anger flared against us,
they would have swallowed us alive;

the flood would have engulfed us,
the torrent would have swept over us,
the raging waters
would have swept us away.

Refrain

Praise be to the LORD,
who has not let us be torn by their teeth.
We have escaped like a bird
out of the fowler's snare;

the snare has been broken,
and we have escaped.
Our help is in the name of the LORD,
the Maker of heaven and earth.

**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.**

Refrain

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL

John 17:11b-19

Through his Word he preserves us in faith until he takes us out of the world to himself in heaven.

“Holy Father, protect them by your name, which you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept those you gave me safe in your name. I protected them and not one of them was destroyed, except the son of destruction, so that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

¹³“But now I am coming to you, and I am saying these things in the world, so that they may be filled with my joy. ¹⁴I have given them your word. The world hated them, because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I am not asking that you take them out of the world, but that you protect them from the Evil One. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

¹⁷“Sanctify them by the truth. Your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, I also sent them into the world. ¹⁹I sanctify myself for them, so they also may be sanctified by the truth.”

SEASONAL RESPONSE

John 14:18

The Lord is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
“I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you.” Alleluia!

HYMN OF THE DAY

What a Friend We Have in Jesus | 411

SERMON

“Freedom from Fear” | **1 John 4:13-21**

This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴We have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵If anyone confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God remains in him and he in God. ¹⁶We also have come to know and trust the love that God has for us.

God is love. Whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him. ¹⁷In this way his love has been brought to its goal among us, so that we may have confidence on the day of judgment, because in this world we are just like Jesus. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but complete love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who continues to be afraid has not been brought to the goal in love.

¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰If anyone says, “I love God,” but hates his brother, he is a liar. For how can anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, love God, whom he has not seen? ²¹This then is the command we have from him: The one who loves God should also love his brother.

YOU ARE GOD; WE PRAISE YOU

Te Deum

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OFFERING

Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him.

Please help us help you by recording your visit in the Connect With Us binder.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

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LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

In You Is Gladness | 346

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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PRAYER FOR GRACE

BLESSING

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CLOSING HYMN

Up through Endless Ranks of Angels | 172

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TATER DAZE PARADE is Thursday, June 14. We are looking for volunteers to come and walk in the parade and pass out candy.

THANK YOU to Jackson and Odessa George for the beautiful flowers on the altar today in honor of Mother's Day.

LAWN MOWING sign-up sheet was put in the Information Center.

FELLOWSHIP TREATS sign-up sheet is in the Information Center. Please consider signing up to bring treats on a Sunday morning.

MEDITATIONS new editions are in the Information Center.

CAMP CROIX is looking for some volunteers to help with their Spring Cleaning on Saturday, May 19. Please contact Clay Raasch at raasches@gmail.com or 651-231-3237 with questions or to volunteer.

WEST LUTHERAN UPCOMING EVENTS

WEST Pops Concert May 18 7:00 pm

WEST Graduation May 26 2:00 pm

Calendar Week

Today - Mother's Day

Family Bible Study 8:45 am

Worship 10:00 am

Elder's Meeting moved to Monday at 6:30 pm.

Monday

Wise Penny Work Day

Elder's Meeting 6:30 pm

Tuesday

Bible Class 3:15 pm

Friday

POPS Concert 7:00 pm
at West Lutheran High School

Sunday - Pentecost

Family Bible Study 8:45 am

Worship 10:00 am

Serving in The Lord

Ushers

Today: Dan Gabrielson
Tom Gabrielson

Next Sunday: Kirk Graen
Glen Lieder

Organist

Today: Sasha Schallert
Next Sunday: Janice Budach

Blessings from The Lord

Attendance

Family Bible Study - 18

Sunday Service - 53

Tuesday Bible Class - 9

Tithes & Offerings \$ 2,512.37

SHOW YOUR '*LOVE FOR CHRIST*' AT BROOKLYN LUTHERAN CHURCH



FELLOWSHIP TIME after the service has become a tradition during the summer at Brooklyn Lutheran. Consider signing up to bring some treats for a Sunday this summer. The sign-up sheet is in the Information Center.

LAWN MOWING

A sign-up sheet is in the Information Center.

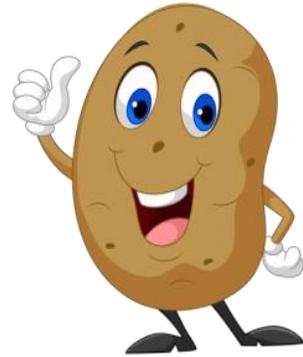
We started the mowing season this week.

Any questions, ask Kirk Graen.



Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. **It is the Lord Christ you are serving.**

Colossians 3:23-24



TATER DAZE PARADE

Thursday, June 14.

Volunteers needed to walk in the parade and pass out candy and brochures.

The parade route is about 1.3 miles.

We will carpool from church to the parade starting point. This will help you to avoid the huge traffic jam.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Information Center.



COMING SOON:

Vacation Bible School

Dates: June 25 – June 28

Time: 9:00 – 11:30 am

Keep watching for volunteer opportunities!



Friday, May 18th 7:00PM

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