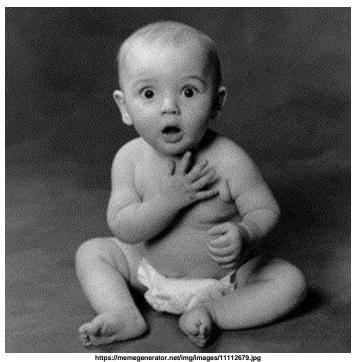
# Sixth Sunday of Easter May 25 & 26, 2019



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**We Welcome All** who are worshiping with us today. Guests please fill out the guest card in the pew and sign the guest book in the Narthex. Peace be with you in Christ. We have discontinued the use of the pew cards to record member attendance and communion attendance.

Attention Visitors: Thank you for joining us in Worship today. We invite you to pick up a gift bag, available at the Welcome Center.

Communion is Served Saturday Evening Service on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> weekends and at the Sunday 9:00 AM Service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> weekends.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Our Savior in the belief that here God offers His very Body and Blood in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. We are happy to welcome to the Lord's Table those who embrace this understanding of the nature of the sacrament, repent of sins, and seek to forgive and love as Christ forgives and loves us. We believe that such participation is a statement of fellowship and agreement with our church body and its teachings. As the bread and wine are distributed, white grape juice is also available in the individual cup tray for those that prefer an alternative to the red wine. If you have any questions, we ask that you talk with the pastor or one of the elders prior to the service.

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YOUR CHILDREN MATTER TO GOD AND US! A cry room is available for infants and toddlers if needed during worship services. The cry room is located close to the front door of the church next to the sanctuary. A staffed nursery for ages 6-36 months is available during the Sunday 9 am worship service in the lower level. Young children can choose one "Jesus Bag" to take with them into church. Please return the bag to the narthex after worship. Children may take a children's worship bulletin as they enter church. The yellow bulletin is for ages 3-6 and blue is for ages 7-12.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE:** Our church is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an elder for a receiver. **Large Print Orders of Service and Hymns** are available.

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** today are presented to the Glory of God by Bob & Carol Johnson in celebration of the 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary Bob & Carol!

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Take Heart

May 25 & 26, 2019

#### AS WE GATHER

The troubles of the world confront us every day—troubles in the news, troubles in our families, troubles within ourselves, troubles at work or at school. Jesus knows the world. So He said to His disciples, "In the world you will have tribulation" (John 16:33). Yet the final word of this Easter season is not trouble. It is hope through the resurrection of Jesus in defeat of all of this world's troubles. "Take heart; I have overcome the world," Jesus said. Being a follower of Jesus never protects us from experiencing the world's troubles. It does give us hope. It does fill us with courage. It does strengthen our hearts. As an ancient Easter hymn declares, "Were Christ not arisen, Then death were still our prison. Now, with Him to life restored, We praise the Father of our Lord. Alleluia!" (*LSB* 459:2). We catch a glimpse of our future world in Christ in Revelation, where the city of God shines with the light of the resurrection—a city alight with God and the Lamb, a city with no night. Take heart! Jesus has overcome the world!

#### **₩ PREPARATION ₩**

PRELUDE "Salute to the Armed Forces"

#### MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in Me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? *John 14:1-2* 

**HYMN** "This is the Day the Lord Has Made" LSB 903

#### INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES Psalm 67:3; John 16:33

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, O God!

People: Let all the peoples praise You!

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### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: God of love, hear us as we confess our sin to You.

A time of silence is observed.

Pastor: We confess:

People: Captive to sin, we have sinned against You, mighty God, in thought, word, and deed.

Pastor: We have been anxious and impatient.

People: We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed.

Pastor: We have lived in ways that do not give witness to Your mercy in Jesus.

People: We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed.

Pastor: We have been attracted to other gods.

and restore us.

Bring us to repentance, Lord. Forgive our sins, those of which we are aware and People: those we do without thought. Have mercy on us. Seek us, for You alone can find us

Jesus said, "Take heart; I have overcome the world." Almighty God in His mercy has given Pastor: His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained

servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

■ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

### **₩ WORD ₩**

HYMN OF PRAISE "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" LSB 770

### SALUTATION

People:

Pastor: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. You, O Lord, are present with us always.

People: Empower us to take heart in Jesus, who has overcome the world, so that we now

experience the peace that Jesus promised;

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, Pastor:

one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

#### FIRST READING Acts 16:9–15 (Lydia is baptized.)

<sup>9</sup> And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." 10 And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. <sup>11</sup> So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, 12 and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. 13 And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup> One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. 15 And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. People:

#### **PSALM** Psalm 67; antiphon: v. 3

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, O God;

let all the peoples praise You! People:

May God be gracious to us and bless us Pastor: and make His face to shine upon us,

that Your way may be known on earth, People:

Your saving power among all nations.

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, O God; People: let all the peoples praise You!

Pastor: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for You judge the peoples with equity

and guide the nations upon earth.

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, O God;

**People:** let all the peoples praise You! Pastor: The earth has yielded its increase;

God, our God, shall bless us.

People: God shall bless us;

let all the ends of the earth fear Him!

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.

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, O God; People: let all the peoples praise You!

**EPISTLE** Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27 (A transformed city of God, with the Lamb at the center)

<sup>9</sup> Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." <sup>10</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup> having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup> It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— <sup>13</sup> on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup> And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

<sup>21</sup> And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass. <sup>22</sup> And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup> and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**HOLY GOSPEL** John 16:23–33 (Peace in times of trouble)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>23</sup> In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you.<sup>24</sup> Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. <sup>25</sup> "I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup> In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup> for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup> I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father." <sup>29</sup> His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup> Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." <sup>31</sup> Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup> Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup> I have said

these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!" LSB 474

**SERMON** "Really? Anything??" John 16:23-33

**CREED** Saturday – Apostles' Creed Sunday – Nicene Creed (Creeds can be found on the screens and on the back cover of the hymnal.)

**OFFERING** "God Bless the USA" (L. Greenwood)

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition, please respond with the following:

Pastor: let us pray to the Lord,

People: Lord, have mercy.

At the end of the prayer:

People: Amen.

Sunday service please continue with the Sacrament

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

### **BENEDICTION** John 16:33

Pastor: Jesus said, "Take heart; I have overcome the world."

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ₱ give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

People: Amen.

### RECOGNITION OF THOSE WHO SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES

### PATRIOTIC MEDLEY

God bless our native land:

Firm may she ever stand through storm and night:

When the wild tempest rave, Ruler of wind and wave,

Do Thou our country save by Thy great might.

My country, 'tis of Thee,

Sweet land of liberty, Of Thee I sing;

Land where my fathers died,

Land of the pilgrims' pride,

From every mountain-side, Let freedom ring.

O beautiful for spacious skies,

For amber waves of grain,

For purple mountains majesty

Above the fruited plain!

America! America! God shed His grace on Thee,

And crown Thy good with brotherhood,

From sea to shining sea.

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;

He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;

He has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword;

His truth is marching on.

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Stand beside her and guide her,

Thru the night with a light from above.

From the mountains, to the prairies,

To the oceans white with foam.

God bless America, My home sweet home,

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POSTLUDE "The Star Spangled Banner" (J.S. Smith)

#### **₩ SACRAMENT**

#### PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 136

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to

You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and

magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**SANCTUS** LSB 161

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

LORD'S PRAYER

### PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

**AGNUS DEI** LSB 163

#### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" LSB 633 v. 1-4, 7-8

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" LSB 477

### POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, we thank You for providing for us this gift of Christ's body and blood, in

which our sins are forgiven and we are given a foretaste of the feast to come. Throughout this week, when the troubles of this world weigh heavily on us, help us to remember that You have overcome the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and

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Thank you, Erich Zorr, for serving as our organist this weekend.

### IN HIS SERVICE

Saturday - Don Secord Elder/Helper

Sunday - Tim Kadlec, Jacob Husing

Saturday – Don & Kris Secord, Del Keup, Jim Bonson Ushers

Sunday - Grant Meyer, Jerry Gifford, Mark Hiller, Glenn Finger

Saturday - Don & Kris Secord Greeters

Sunday – Dawn Shantz

Saturday - Kris Secord Readers

Sunday - Sue Kurth

Media Operators

Saturday - Dan Scafaro Sunday - Steve Favorite

Altar Care – Marianne Braun, Carol Johnson

Nursery – Sunday 9:00 am Service – Mandy Kersten

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### THE MISSION OF OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH IS TO EQUIP AND ENCOURAGE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST TO SHARE THE LOVE OF JESUS WITH PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND IN THE WORLD SO THAT ALL MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE.

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#### This week at Our Savior:

Monday 27 Memorial Day Tuesday 28 9:00 am Bible Study 9:30 am Quilters 7:00 pm Praise & Worship Wednesday 29 6:30 pm Youth Group 7:00 pm Council Meeting 30

7:00 pm Board of Christian Education Thursday

Friday 31 Office Closed Saturday 1

7:00 am Men's Interdenominational Bible Study, ER Firestation 7:00 pm Worship celebrating Holy Communion

9:00 am Worship Sunday 2

ATTENDANCE: Early: 108, Communion: 105, Late: 225, Sunday Bible Study: NA, Sunday School: 28,

Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study: 6, Tuesday Bible Study: 21

### **ACTUAL to DATE** (as of April 30, 2019)

**TOTAL GIVING** \$ 128,676.67 OPERATION EXPENSES \$ 100.311.95 BALANCE \$ 28,364.72

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## God's richest blessings to you on YOUR special day! Birthdays:

27 – Jim Schmidt 28 – Roy Herms 30 – Etta Guzick, John Eggleston 31 – Evan Wanta, Lynn Parker, R.J. Behrens

#### **Anniversaries:**

28 – Richard & Theresa Cherney 30 – Dennis & Georgia Kolowith 31 – Robert & Bonnie Fischer, Pastor Wm & Gail Trosien 1 – Dave & Cindy Watts <



SCRIP Hours Saturday before service Sunday before & after service

**Prayers For Our Families** – Without a doubt, one of the most important aspects of our relationship with the Lord our God is our prayer life with Him. We are instructed to pray without ceasing (1 Thess. 5:17), and to pray for one another (James 5:16). For we are under attack from the devil and his minions constantly, and we need the best protection we can get! At Our Savior, we are blessed to be surrounded by families whom our Lord has called to walk together in the light of Jesus. Each one of our families has good days and bad, and each one of our families deserves our prayers. Each Sunday we will be praying for members of Our Savior. Those whom we will be praying for are selected at random from our membership roster, and don't be surprised if you will be receiving a phone call from Pastor Kufahl to let you know that your family will be in our prayers this week. We encourage you to use this list in your personal, daily prayers as well. Each one of us is precious in God's sight. May our Lord open our eyes to see the gift that each family is!

Mike & Becky Bolf, Robert & Beverly Ginnow, Ina Lee Jost, Joel & Tiffany Ludwig, Michael Otto, Richard & Elizabeth Schmidt, Rebekah Vought

**Our Savior Email List** - If you have not yet subscribed to our email list, follow the link on our website to sign up. If you are signed up and did not receive it, please check you spam folder and then make sure <u>oursavioreagleriver@gmail.com</u> is in your address book. Gmail users – these emails will appear in your "promotions' tab.

**2019 Offering Envelopes** are on the table in the narthex. Please be sure to pick yours up today.

**Disaster Relief -** To help our brothers and sisters whose lives have been disrupted through the recent flooding, call 1-888-930-4438, or text LCMSDISASTERS to 41444, or mail a check to The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, PO Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861 with "Disaster Relief" written in the memo.

**Many Hands Lighten the Load** - We know the saying well. When we have a big job that needs to be accomplished, we appreciate additional hands. We have some big tasks here at church where we could use your help. We are looking to form a Kitchen Committee and someone to head the committee. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pastor Kufahl or the church office. Thank you!

**Mission Possible** - The Martha Society will be hosting the Mission Possible fundraiser event at the Eagle River VFW/American Legion Saturday, June 1st from 4 pm to 7 pm. Tickets are for sale at the Welcome Center for \$10.

**Praise & Worship -** Our next praise and worship rehearsal is Tuesday, May 28th, in preparation for worship on June 1st & 2nd. New vocalists and instrumentalists are welcome!

Soon we will resume our **Monday Evening Bible studies**. Hope you will join our study group. If you know someone who may wish to join us, please invite them. The following will help you mark your calendars:

**When:** Every Monday evening, *June 3rd thru. Sept. 30th.* I will bring exceptions to your attention as they occur.

**Time:** 6 PM to 7 PM (Please be on time) **Where:** Our Savior's Fellowship Hall

**What you will need:** a standard 3-ring binder for the study material and your Bible, there are a few Bibles available if you forget yours.

Our First Study: "SPIRITUAL GIFTS"

Facilitator: Don Secord 715-479-5879 or 715-891-3112

We traditionally stopped for pizza on the last Monday of each month, don't feel as if you must join, it's totally voluntary, but it is a great fellowship opportunity. Have questions? Call me.

**Outdoor Worship & Fun in the Park** - Join us as we gather at Riverview Park in Eagle River on Saturday, June 15th, from 4:30 to 7 pm for lots of fun and an opportunity to worship outdoors. Kid games & prizes, a bounce obstacle course, face painting and music will add to the fun. Delicious food is available for purchase from Jessica's Cucina food truck. Worship will be held from 5 to 5:30 pm (Note: No 7 pm worship service that evening). Please bring a lawn chair or blanket. Come and go as you wish! Please invite friends! Sponsored by the Board of Evangelism and Board of Christian Education.

**Greeting Cards** - The Martha Society has an assortment of Confirmation, Graduation and Father's Day cards for sale in the fellowship hall.

**Splash Canyon VBS!** - Kids, ages 3-12, are invited to dive into God's Word and fun at Splash Canyon VBS! July 29th-August 2nd from 9 am to 12 pm each day except Wednesday. On Wednesday we travel by bus to Camp Luther from 9 am to 3 pm for a fun day of camp activities including swimming! Don't miss this awesome week of summer! Register at www.oursavioreagleriver.org/vacation-bible-school

**VBS Volunteers** - We have an amazing crew of volunteers being gathered for VBS. We could use more! Please contact Marlene Rieck if you'd like to join in the fun and be part of this outreach to children and families. Thank you!

**VBS Craft Saturday** - Join us as we make cool VBS craft decorations! Saturday, June 8th, 9 am to noon. Come and go as you wish!

**Sunday School Missions** - Our Sunday school has recently signed up for Bethesda Lutheran Communities "Prayer & Postage" program. We are praying for Alfred, Andrew, Douglas, and Ricardo who live in a Bethesda home. We also sent them cards and small gifts to remind them of God's love for them. Thank you for your prayers! If you'd like to join this program or help in other ways, please go to <a href="https://www.bethesdalc.org">www.bethesdalc.org</a>.