

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship



Como Park Lutheran Church, ELCA, RIC

Reaching out in Christ to a changing world.

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We welcome all to worship here: those who are strong in faith and those who are seeking, those who are hurting and those who give comfort; all who are drawn to worship, community, and faith.

We acknowledge and celebrate the rich diversity within and around us. As a community rooted in the body of Christ, we commit ourselves to creating a space where people of all races, ages, ethnicities, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions are not only included but deeply valued and seen as essential to our shared journey.

Together, we value human diversity as a divine gift and blessing—a reflection of God's boundless creativity and love. Because of this, we commit ourselves in ministry to fully embracing all people and advancing racial equity in our ministry.

We recognize that we hold a variety of beliefs, perspectives, and lived experiences; and yet we gather in Christ to worship God together. If you have questions, feedback, or needs for assistance, please ask. We seek to grow together in ministry, community and faith, and we are glad that you are here with us today.

~ *The People of Como Park Lutheran Church*

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TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR
will immediately follow the service.

Please join us for some coffee and light snacks in the Narthex.

This service will be broadcast live on YouTube
and recorded for later viewing.
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ADULT FORUM & UPCOMING EVENTS

(For full list of events, see page 20-21.)

TODAY	No Adult Forum	Teacher Recognition Brunch
05/25/2025	No Adult Forum	Memorial Day Weekend
06/01/2025	No Adult Forum	Adult Forum will resume in the fall.



Regular - Liturgist
Bold - Congregation
✖ - Stand as able



ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

setting by David Cherwien

WELCOME, GREETING, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠CONFESSİON AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

~ *Silence is kept for reflection.* ~

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.

✠OPENİNG HYMN

In Christ There Is No East or West

ELW 650

✠THE APOSTOLIC GREETİNG (2 Corinthians 13:14)

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.

†KYRIE

ELW pg. 193-194



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



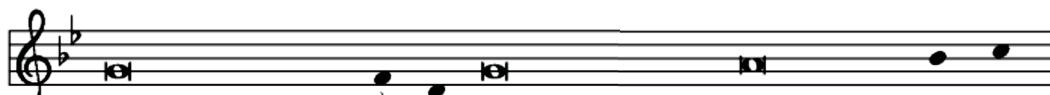
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



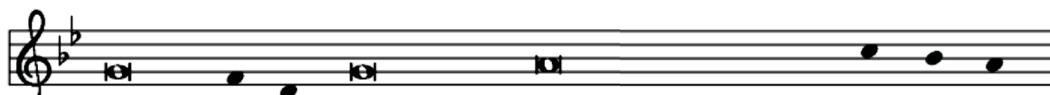
For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of



God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - ey.

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

A - men.

⌘GLORY TO GOD

ELW pg. 195-196

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.



A - men, a - men.

⌘PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18

¹Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon

them just as it had upon us at the beginning.¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'¹⁷ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?"¹⁸ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 148



¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD | from the heavens;
 praise God | in the heights.

2Praise the LORD, | all you angels;
sing praise, all you | hosts of heaven.

³Praise the LORD, | sun and moon;
sing praise, all you | shining stars.

**4Praise the LORD, heav- | en of heavens,
and you waters a- | bove the heavens.**

⁵Let them praise the name | of the LORD,
 who commanded, and they | were created,

⁶who made them stand fast forever and ever,
giving them a law that shall not pass away.

7Praise the LORD | from the earth,
you sea monsters | and all deeps

⁸fire and hail, | snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, do- | ing God's will;

⁹mountains | and all hills,
fruit trees | and all cedars;

PSALM 148

(CONT'D)



¹⁰wild beasts | and all cattle,
creeping things and | flying birds;
¹¹sovereigns of the earth | and all peoples,
princes and all rulers | of the world;
¹²young | men and maidens,
old and | young together.
¹³Let them praise the name | of the LORD,
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over | earth and heaven.
¹⁴**The LORD has raised up strength for the people
and praise for all | faithful servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. | Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
"See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

The word of the Lord.

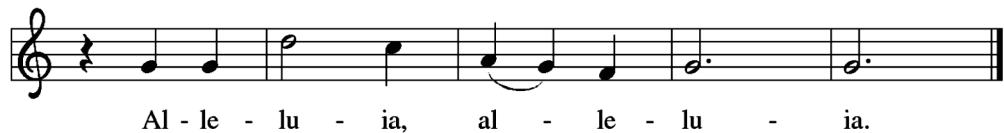
Thanks be to God.

⌘GOSPEL VERSE

ELW pg. 198



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Repeat alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

⌘GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the Thirteenth Chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

David Person

(Jesus Loves Me! ELW 595)

SERMON

Pastor Martin Ericson

HYMN OF THE DAY

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

ELW 358

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting.

Amen.

PRAYERS

... Lord, in your mercy,
... hear our prayer.

☩THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

(In sharing God's Peace we share with each other our hope for God's blessing by shaking hands, or turning to one another and nodding, or bumping fists and saying "God's peace be with you.")

THE MEAL

OFFERING

Love One Another

Ann Krentz Organ

CPLChoir

Electronic offerings can be made using smart phones and tablet devices by going to www.ComoParkLutheran.org and clicking on the "donate" button. You may also use the giving kiosk in the narthex located by the staircase.

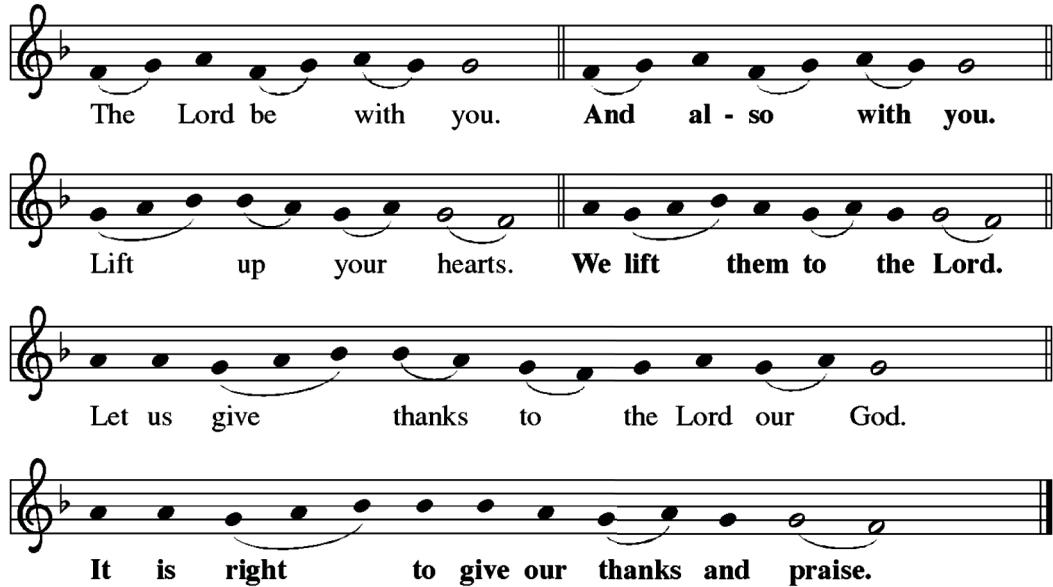


☩OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray...

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

⌘THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

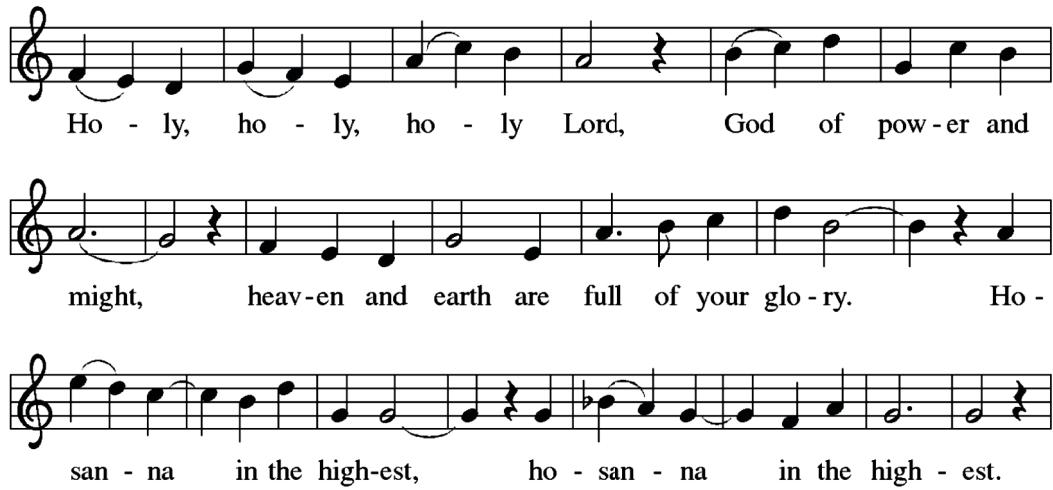
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

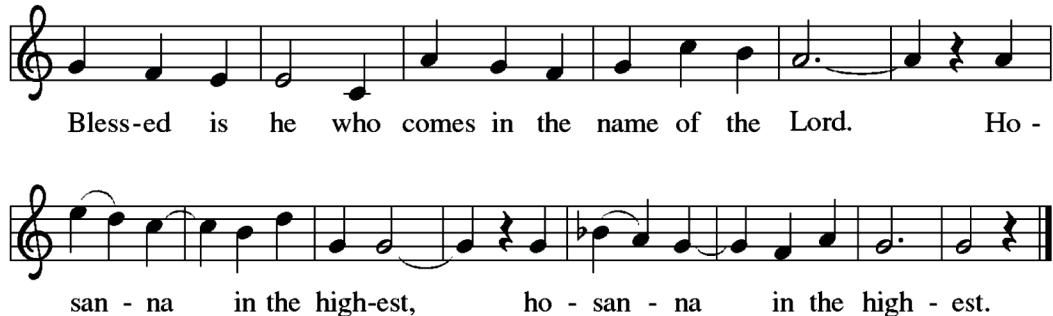
⌘HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Isaiah 6:3)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



⌘WORDS OF INSTITUTION (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

In the night in which he was betrayed...
... Do this for the remembrance of me.

⌘THE LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13; Revelation 11:15)

Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.

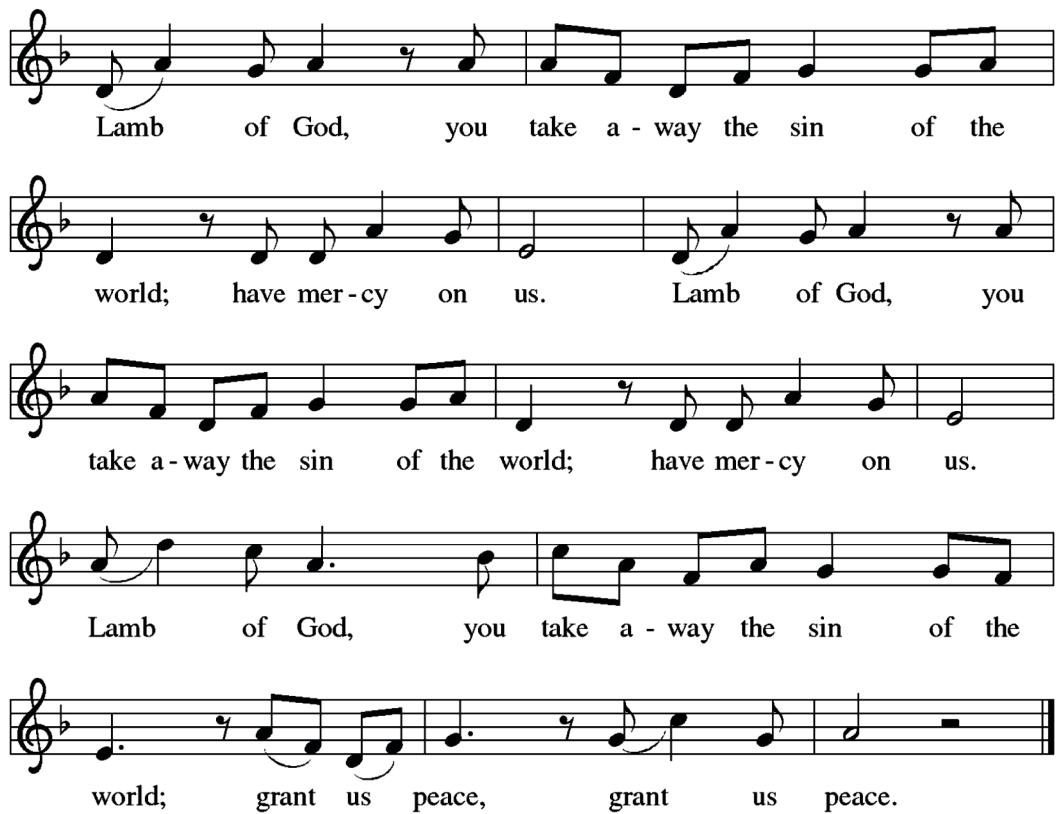
Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

All who believe Christ is truly present in the sacrament are invited to receive communion. At the server, hold out the flat of your palm to receive the wafer. If you desire gluten-free wafers, simply say to the first server “gluten-free.” Then, step to the second server and take the wine in the small cup. The cups hold red wine and grape juice. If you are allergic to grapes, you are free to receive only the bread, knowing that Christ is fully present within each element. Children who do not yet commune will receive a blessing from pastor or first server.

LAMB OF GOD (John 1:29)

ELW pg. 201



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

ELW 708

⌘POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

⌘POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE SENDING

⌘BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:24-26)

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

⌘CLOSING HYMN

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

ELW 377

⌘DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Toccata

Theodore Dubois

Please pray for...

Donnie B.	Carol S.
Pam B.	Mary Ellen T.
Beth D.	Amy W.
Bill H.	Tyler F. (brother-in-law of Ginger F.)
Kathy H.	J.J. K. (great grandson of Bill H.)
Scott H.	Justin K. (friend of Sandra H.)
Carl J.	Joe (friend of Sandra H.)
Nora J.	Mike W. (friend of Sandra H.)
Ann L.	Paula M.L. (cousin of Jeanette M.N.)
Erik M.	Cheryl & Jim (quilter & husband)
Connie P.	Nichole (friend of Como Connects)
Niko P.	Tommy (former student of Beth S.)
Ruth R.	... and all in need of prayers

We welcome names of members, family, and friends on our prayer list.

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Serving in the Military

Dane Beecham, Jonathan Lund, Kristian Nelson
... and all others who serve

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**We pray regularly for all members and friends of our congregation.
This week in worship, we pray for:**

Ryan & Laura Thilquist, Gavin, Isaac, Ava
Roxane Thode
Heidi Thorstenson
John & Kayla Todd, Brennan, Brady
Martin & Mary Ellen Tollefson
Tom & Chris Tuft, James, Riley
Neil & Lori Van Eps, Wyatt, Eliza

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

Pastor: Martin Ericson

Director of Music Ministry: Tom Ferry

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Date	May 18, 2025
Time	9:30 AM
Acolyte	Isaac Hakanson
Communion Prep	Lynn Ketelsen
Assisting Minister	Polly Heaton
Communion Asst 1	Darrell Anderson
Communion Asst 2	Jonathan Nye
Greeter	Raija Weitzke
Coffee Servers	David & Nahoko Person
Children's Sermon	David Person
Reader	Janice Kragness
Liturgist	Emily Purdham
Ushers	Family Team Weber
Welcome Desk	Rosemary Johnson
Bus Driver	Tom Spivey
Video Tech	Craig Canada

USHER TEAM

Family Team Weber: Elizabeth & Rocky, Douglas and Sasha

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 18TH

SPECIAL EVENTS

COMO PARK FARMERS' MARKET - MAY 15-OCTOBER 30—We are excited to be partnering with the St. Paul Growers Association—St. Paul Farmers' Market to bring a farmers' market to our Como Park neighborhood! This new market will take place in our **CPLC parking lot** located at 1545 Hamline Ave N, and will be held **every Thursday afternoon from 2-6 PM** from **May 15th through October 30th**. There will be a variety of locally grown and produced food items for sale. This market accepts and provides matching dollars to SNAP/EBT customers. We look forward to seeing you at the market. Visit: www.comoparklutheran.org/farmers-market



FRIDAY FAMILY NIGHT - EVERY LAST FRIDAY—Families with Littles & Middles (newborn through 6th grade) are invited monthly for an evening of food, games, and fellowship. Our next meeting will be May 30th from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Contact David Osterhouse at osterhouse@comoparklutheran.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) - JUNE 16-19—Kids ages PreK-5th (completed) from our neighborhood and from our congregation are invited to summer Vacation Bible School! We will be partnering with counselors from Camp Onomia to fill the week with Bible stories, songs, games, crafts, and more! Join us on June 16-19 from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM at CPLC. Cost is \$40 per child (financial assistance available). PreK children must be potty-trained and have experience participating in a class environment. Please bring a bagged lunch. Register by June 2 at: www.comoparklutheran.org/vacation-bible-school



RECURRING EVENTS

TECH SHADOWS - EVERY SUNDAY—Come sit with us **any Sunday during worship service in the sanctuary**, and watch the technical side of worship! Find out if you'd like to be a CPLC Tech. Contact office@comoparklutheran.org.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE - EVERY TUESDAY—Let's make a difference together by making quilts **every Tuesday at 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall**. At the end of the year, we donate our quilts to homeless shelters. We always accept & appreciate donations (bed sheets, pillow cases, & materials), which can be dropped off at CPLC. Join us whether you know how to sew or not. Contact Jan Lathrop (janetklathrop@gmail.com).

TUESDAY FAITH TALK & THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY—Join us for a **Faith Talk** every **Tuesday at 9 AM** and **Bible Study** every **Thursday at 9 AM** in the **Fireside Room**. To receive our weekly invitation and updates, email Pastor Marty at ericson@comoparklutheran.org.

JOYFUL RINGERS & CPLCHOIR REHEARSALS - EVERY WEDNESDAY—Joyful **Ringers** rehearse every **Wednesday** in the **sanctuary** from **6-7 PM**, and ring once a month during **Sunday** worship service. **CPLChoir** rehearse every **Wednesday** in the **Choir Room** from **7:15 PM to 8:45 PM**, sing roughly three out of every four Sundays, and use a sign up system, so that the **Music Director** knows how many singers will be present each **Sunday** and plan music accordingly. **Newcomers** are welcome whether you have experience or not. We learn the music, reading skills, and singing skills by sight and by ear each week during rehearsal. So, come make a joyful noise to the Lord! Contact **Tom Ferry** at ferry@comoparklutheran.org.



CONFIRMATION & YOUTH GROUP - EVERY WEDNESDAY—**Confirmation (Grades 7th-8th)** meets in the **Fireside Room** at **7 PM**. **Youth Group (Grades 9-12)** meets in the **Youth Room** at **7 PM**. Contact Pastor Marty at ericson@comoparklutheran.org or David Osterhouse at osterhouse@comoparklutheran.org.

 **WOMEN'S CRAFT GROUP - SUMMER BREAK**—We will be on our summer break now and will resume in the fall. Have a great summer. Contact **Meg Duncan** (melaurak@msn.com) or **Cathy Gagné** (cmtm@comcast.net).

 **BUS SERVICES**—If you would like a ride to Sunday worship services, please contact the church office at 651-646-7127 or office@comoparklutheran.org.

NURSERY ROOM—Our **Nursery Room** is available for families with children ages 3 & under. Drop off your children before service, pick them up after service, or join them and enjoy your time in the **Nursery Room**. The **Parents Room** is also available.



MAY 18, 2025

HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with
Your Love*



**taking⁺
faith
home**

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.



CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When is a time that someone showed you kindness?
- What does it mean to you to love someone as much as Jesus loves you?

DEVOTIONS



Read: John 13:31-35.

To understand these five verses, we need to know the context of its original setting, Jesus' last meal with his disciples before his death. Jesus already knew Judas would betray him (13:2) and that Peter would deny him three times (13:38). He had just washed the disciples' feet, a very humble act of service. Now he gives his disciples a new commandment, to love one another. Jesus' glorification involves his faithful love that will not be stopped, not even by his death on a cross. Jesus' crucifixion is his glorification. To love includes acts of humble service that put the community of Jesus' followers above one's own safety. Jesus knows our human weaknesses and that we will fail again and again at this essential commandment, but to love is the only way forward. At the heart of the church's faithful witness to Jesus—even more than moral purity or teaching correct doctrines—is displaying love and forgiveness.

Discuss: In what ways have you or someone you know shown love and forgiveness?

Pray: **Loving God, you know our weaknesses and failures, yet you love us still; give us faith to love one another as you have loved us through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, what humble act of kindness can you do for someone?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



God gave the apostle John a vision of a new heaven and a new earth (Revelation 21:1-6). Verse 5 tells us that the one on the throne will make all things new. What do you imagine the new heaven and earth will look like? Take a moment to answer this question. Then draw a picture of what you imagine or write about it on a piece of paper.

Pray: **Dear God, you who are the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, we ask that you dwell within us and make all things new. Amen.**



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

MAY 18, 2025
FIFTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER



Jesus commands us to love one another.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 13:31-35	Love one another
Monday	Acts 11:1-18	Peter reports to the church
Tuesday	Revelation 21:1-6	New heaven and earth
Wednesday	Romans 12:1-8	New life in Christ
Thursday	Ephesians 4:7-16	Unity in the body of Christ
Friday	1 Corinthians 8:1-3	Love builds up
Saturday	Psalm 148	Praise for God's universal glory
Sunday	John 14:23-29	The sending of the Counselor

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"I [Jesus] give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:34-35 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty and merciful God, help us to love as you have loved us so that others may see your glory in the world through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we give you our thanks and praise for this gift of food, a sign of your constant love for us through Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May Jesus' love guide you to love others.



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**Adult Forums, Membership Classes,
Visitations, & General Ministries**

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