

**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 27 and 28, 2024**

*In the name of Christ welcome to worship,  
we are glad you are here!*

**The Gathering**

**Gathering Music**

*Your Love Awakens Me* Wickham  
*God Is On The Move* Eskelin, Wood, Williams, Howard

**Welcome**

**Easter Greeting**

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!  
**C. He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

**Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
the wellspring of grace,  
our Easter and our joy.

**Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Immersed in the promises of baptism,  
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.  
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning  
your voice thundered over the deep  
and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into  
a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through  
the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official  
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection  
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,  
freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts,  
giving all honor and praise to you,  
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

**\*Gathering Song** *Nobody Loves Me Like You*  
Tomlin, Cash

**\*Greeting and Prayer of the Day**

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.**

Let us pray

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from  
whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his  
resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and  
know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**The Sharing of the Word**

**First Reading** Acts 8:26-40

**Psalm** 22:25-31

**Second Reading** 1 John 4:7-21

**\*Gospel** John 15:1-8

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter

**Glory to you, O Lord**

May this Gospel of the Lord, help you know Jesus and  
make Jesus known.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children's Time**

**Message**

Pastor Kevin

**\*Nicene Creed**

**\*Prayer of the Church**

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

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**The Sharing of the Meal**

**Offering-** at this time, please take a moment, if  
you feel called and are able, to make a financial  
contribution to the ministry of Zion.



**Offering Music**

5:30	Instrumental
10:00	<i>Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen</i> Brokering & Johnson Performed by Blaze Fogle

**\*Offering Prayer**

**\*Holy Communion**

The Great Thanksgiving Dialogue  
The Lord be with you.

**And also 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.**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**Invitation to Communion**

Partaking of the Elements

**Communion** *The Heart Of Worship* Redman

**Post-Communion Blessing**

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen**

### Post Communion Prayer

#### The Sending

### Zest for Zion and Time for God Moments

#### \*Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The God of resurrection power,  
the Christ of unending joy,  
and the Spirit of Easter hope

✠ bless you now and always.

**Amen**

**\*Sending Song**      *Stand In Your Love*  
Baldwin, Hulse, Springer, Harris

#### \*Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Sending Out in Song**      *Reprise*

\*Congregation may stand

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Terry and Amy Strayer in loving memory of Marsha G. Strayer by her family, for what would have been her 81st birthday on April 27th. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend.

**The basket of flowers** is given by Juliann Roderick to the glory of God and in honor of her husband Clint's 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday and great-grandson Jackson Bingham's 11<sup>th</sup> birthday, both celebrated on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

*Thank you for being the hands and feet of the church especially to those serving this weekend ...*

### Serving at 5:30 pm

- **Greeter** is Doris Lau.
- **Usher** is Suz Smith
- **Lay Reader** is Rose Hartzell
- **Assisting Minister/Communion Assistant** is Terri Abbruzzese

### Serving at 10 am

- **Greeter** is Anita Langeheine
- **Ushers**
- **Acolytes** are Leah Cunningham and Sydney Strittmatter.
- **Lay Reader** is Dominic Saullo
- **Assisting Minister** is Mario Saullo

### Windswept musicians and singers.

**Offering Counters** for this weekend are Lori Heathcote and Kathy Glass

*Welcome To Worship, we are glad you are here and happy to welcome you in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! We would like to know you worshipped with us today – please fill out the Connect Card in the pews and place it in the offering plate. Children activity bags are available from the tree stands in the narthex.*

*If you would like to explore a deepening faith relationship with Jesus Christ within the fellowship of our assembly, please speak with Pastor Kevin.*

PASTOR

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Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday 10 AM

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#### **Mission Statement**

Reaching up, reaching out, reaching in with faith and love.