# 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 17-18, 2025

## **ORDERS OF WORSHIP**

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All are invited to come forward as worship ends today for Laying on of Hands, Prayer for Healing, and Anointing With Oil. We welcome you to our congregation this weekend! We are glad to have you with us. We celebrate Holy Communion at every service. We believe that Christ is present in this meal of forgiveness and unconditional love. We welcome all to join us at the Lord's Table. If you choose not to commune, we welcome you to come forward for a blessing.

If you are new to us, everything you need for worship is projected on the screen and in this bulletin. Please feel free to use the red hymnal found in your pew, if you are more comfortable. The pages and hymn numbers are to the left of this bulletin.

Please join us for coffee after worship in the lobby.

Should you need a restroom, they are through the glass doors in the back of the nave (sanctuary) and down the hallway on your left. A family/handicap accessible restroom with baby changing station is available in the front lobby (Peach Street entrance).

# TODAY'S THEME

Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Christ is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love.

#### **Today's Bible Readings**

Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 148 Revelation 21:1-6 John 13:31-35 Pew Bible p. 895 Pew Bible p. 508 Pew Bible p. 1007 Pew Bible p. 877

**Today's Message** 

"Love One Another"

by Rev. Ralph Mineo

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

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.

### **PSALM RESPONSE:**



Psalm 148:13

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# **OUR PRAYER LISTS:**

**Members:** Barb Huff, Tom Tell, Nancy Varner, Janel Anderson, Carol Snippert, Cathy Goellner, Carolyn Sturtevant, Barb Kulisek

#### **Cancer treatments:**

**Friends of the congregation**: Michelle, Baby Easton, Matt, Mary Bemis, Derf Hopsecger, Jonathan B., Joe Mineo, Heidi Sturtevant, Jill Eichner, Walter Ang, Charles Schlaufman, Rev. Bill Cox, Frank Mineo

Cancer Friends: Canda, Chris, Denny Hetrick, John Wurst

## Pray for those who grieve:

Prayer Requests/Names will be removed on the 1st of each month unless otherwise requested. If you would like a name on the prayer list, please use the "Prayer Request" link on our church website, email or phone the church office.

**THANK YOU!** This is the Chancel Choir's last anthem until the Fall. We would like to thank all the members of the choir for their contribution of time and talent to the service of God and the congregation of St. John's.

Ascension Day service on 5/29, 7:00 p.m. at Luther Memorial! This invitation is open to everyone in the conference--choir, musician, or congregant that wishes to partake in the special music for this service. There will be two choral anthems (with opportunities for soloists), as well as opportunities for brass players for one of the anthems and the postlude. Bryan Timm will be holding Ascension rehearsals on Tuesday, 5/20, Sunday, 5/25, and Tuesday, 5/27, all at 6:00 p.m. at Luther Memorial.

**Erie Lutheran Conference Survey:** The purpose of the survey is to get a better sense of our collective hopes for the future and our openness to collaborative ministry.

Please take a few minutes to complete our mission profile survey by: (1) Scanning the barcode to the right, OR

(2) Picking up a paper copy located near the entrances to the sanctuary.

Completed surveys can be returned to the church office.

Contact Tim Durst or Carolyn Sturtevant with any questions.

