# Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter



May 15, 2022

## Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America 2205 Old Liberty Road, Eldersburg, MD 21784 Church Office 410-795-6333 HSLC Website--www.hslceldersburgmd.org

## Pastor Ginger Bennett Cell #717-601-9749

*We extend a cordial welcome* to all visitors worshipping with us this day. We request that you sign our friendship book and allow us to invite you to worship with us again.

**Holy Communion is open to all believers,** and we welcome you to partake with us; please proceed down the center aisle as the ushers direct. Wine is offered in the chalice. You may take an empty individual cup and wine will be poured for you at the altar. You will find grape juice in pre-poured individual cups, if you prefer juice to wine; The Pastor will place bread in your hand.

## WELCOMING MUSIC

Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Thanksgiving for Baptism**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

## Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In the waters of baptism,

we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,

and we are a new creation.

For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,

who was, who is, and who is to come.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We thank you, God, for your river of life,

flowing freely from your throne:

through the earth,

through the city,

through every living thing.

You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;

You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.

Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,

and our sin is drowned forever.

You open the gate of righteousness

and we pass safely through.

In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.

You nourish us and enclose us in safety.

You call us forth and send us out.

In lush and barren places, you are with us.

You have become our salvation.

Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear. To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever.

#### C: Amen



## GATHERING HYMN Alleluia! Jesus is Risen! (WOV 674)

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



## GREETING

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

## **C**: And also with you.



## KYRIE (WOV 12)



HYMN OF PRAISE (This is the Feast WOV 15)





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: 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.

C: Amen.

## A: A reading from Acts the eleventh chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup>saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" <sup>4</sup>Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup>"I 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. <sup>6</sup>As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' <sup>8</sup>But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' <sup>9</sup>But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' <sup>10</sup>This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup>At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>The 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. <sup>13</sup>He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' <sup>15</sup>And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>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.' <sup>17</sup>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?" <sup>18</sup>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."

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise God in the heights. <sup>2</sup>Praise the LORD, all you angels; sing praise, all you hosts of heaven. <sup>3</sup>Praise the LORD, sun and moon; sing praise, all you shining stars. <sup>4</sup>Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens. <sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD, who commanded, and they were created, <sup>6</sup>who made them stand fast forever and ever, giving them a law that shall not pass away. <sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps; <sup>8</sup>fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing God's will; <sup>9</sup>mountains and all hills. fruit trees and all cedars: <sup>10</sup>wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds; <sup>11</sup>sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world; <sup>12</sup>young men and maidens, old and young together. <sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD,

whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven. <sup>14</sup>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

A: A reading from Revelations the twenty-first chapter.

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And 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;
<sup>4</sup>he 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."
<sup>5</sup>And 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." <sup>6</sup>Then 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."

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Please stand for the reading of the gospel, as you are able.* 



P: The Holy Gospel according to John the thirteenth chapter.

## C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little 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.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."<sup>31</sup>When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little 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.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

- P: The Gospel of the Lord
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Pastor Ginger Bennett



### HYMN OF THE DAY A Hymn of Glory Let US Sing! (LBW 157)

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!



#### APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary,

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father,

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 OF INTERCESSION

**A:** Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence for prayerful meditation and preparation.

- A: Loving God, lead us to follow your Spirit, rather than our own prejudices or desires, as the church cares for one another. Open us to perceive your gifts in those we least expect. God, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- A: Inspire us to praise you through the beauty and majesty of the natural world around us (*local natural areas may be named*). Urge us toward more deliberate care of the world you have made. God, in your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

A: Humble the rulers of nations before your splendor. Direct them to the people who need their attention most and turn them from the temptation to hoard wealth or power. God, in your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

A: Hasten to dwell among those who are in pain or distress especially, those on our prayer list and those we name before you now, silently, or out loud. (*Pause to allow prayers to be voiced*) As Christ enters our deepest suffering, remain with those experiencing despair and great need. God, in your mercy

## C: hear our prayer.

- A: Place holy love at the center of all our relationships and communities. By your love heal us, convict us, and renew us. Bring an end to racism in our churches and communities. Let everyone know your goodness by the love we show one another. God, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- A: Give us a place in the diverse company of your beloved saints. Teach us the value of each person's identity and bless us with a shared identity as your children, kindred of Christ. God, in your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

**P:** In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

## C: Amen.

#### PASSING THE PEACE

- P: The Peace of Christ be with you all
- **C:** And also with you.
- P: Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

**OFFERING** The Offering is collected.

OFFERING HYMN Please stand as you are able



## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A: Let us pray.

Living God,

you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **P:** The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- **P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.



**P:** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. In him you have received us as your children, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us your Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**P:** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**P:** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this in remembrance of me.

Sanctify these gifts by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the Holy food and drink of new and unending life in Him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your Saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to this table, not because you must but because you may, not because you are strong, but because you are weak.
Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you a right to come, but because you need mercy and help.
Come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more.
Come, because he loved you and gave himself for you.

Come and meet the risen Christ, for we are his Body.

## C: Amen.



## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

- P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.

## CANTICLE



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

## BLESSING

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, 나 bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.** 

## SENDING HYMN Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing (LBW 363)

## Christ is alive! Let Christians Sing

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. In death his love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound To distant years in Palestine, He comes to claim the here and now, And conquer every place and time.

Not throned afar, remotely high, Untouched, unmoved by human pains But daily, in the midst of life, Our Savior, with the Father reigns.

In every insult, rift and war, Where color, scorn or wealth divide, He suffers still, yet loves the more, And lives, though ever crucified.

Christ is alive! Ascended Lord He rules the world his Father made. Till, in the end his love adored Shall be to all on earth displayed.



## DISMISSAL

- A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- A: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- A: Our purpose is to love God,
- C: And bring people into a growing relationship with Jesus and his church.

## "We all serve as ministers in the mission of the church"

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## Worship Attendance:

May 8	9:00 - 34	11:00 - 18	Zoom – 5	Facebook Live -
				Recorded Service -

## ACTIVITIES AT HOLY SPIRIT LUTHERAN CHURCH:

#### THIS WEEK MAY 15, 2022

Sunday 5/15)	9:00 & 11:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion				
	7:00 pm – Confirmation Class				
	7:30 pm - A.A. @ Multipurpose room				
Tuesday 5/17)	11:00 am – Prayer Meeting				
	7:00 pm - AA @ Multipurpose room				
Thursday (5/19)	2:00 pm – Adult Bible Study				
<u>NEXT WEEK MAY 22, 2022</u>					
Sunday 5/22)	9:00 & 11:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion				
	7:00 pm – Confirmation Class				
	7:30 pm - A.A. @ Multipurpose room				
Tuesday 5/24)	11:00 am – Prayer Meeting				
	7:00 pm - AA @ Multipurpose room				
Thursday (5/26)	2:00 pm – Adult Bible Study				

## **Volunteers**

## Serving Sunday May 15, 2022, 9:00 am

<u>Serving Sunday May 15, 2022, 5.00 am</u>					
Assisting Minister	Sharon Blakenship				
Communion Assistants	Sharon Blakenship				
Lector	Cara Krol				
Acolyte	Abby				
Ushers	Gregory Michael				
Greeter	TBD				
Altar Care	Lorraine Markosky				
Teller Assistant	Nancy Bowman				
<u>Serving Sunday May 15, 2022, 11:00 am</u>					
Assisting Minister	TBD				
Communion Assistants	TBD				
Lector	TBD				
Acolyte	Amelia				
Ushers	TBD				
Greeter	TBD				
Altar Care	TBD				
Teller Assistant	Nancy Bowman				
<u>Serving Sunday May 22, 2022, 9:00 am</u>					
Assisting Minister	Patsy Taylor				
Communion Assistants	Patsy Taylor				
Lector	Patsy Taylor				
Acolyte	Brooke				
Ushers	Rick Podobnik				
Greeter	TBD				
Altar Care	Patsy Taylor				
Teller Assistant	Nancy Bowman				
<u>Serving Sunday May 22, 2022, 11:00 am</u>					
Assisting Minister	TBD				
Communion Assistants	TBD				
Lector	TBD				
Acolyte	Amelia				
Ushers	TBD				
Greeter	TBD				
Altar Care	TBD				
Teller Assistant	Nancy Bowman				



John & Shirley Bennett Carol Bianca Sharon Blankenship & Husband Laura Blum & Patrick **Emily Celly** Kathy Cressy Shirley Dill Charlie & Nancy George Linda & George Gondeck Sherry Graham Bea Grant Tom Hall Joe & Linda Herb Chuck & Bev Horn Brandi Jason Branch Jones **Ginny Marriott Bob Miller** Sue Podobnik Carol Silk Tim Veltman Wilson Family The People of Ukraine Political Leaders (Local, State, and Federal) Carroll Lutheran School Holy Spirit Lutheran Church Preschool Presiding Bishop Eaton-of the ELCA Bishop Gohl- DE-MD Synod Deacon Gail Wilson **Carroll Lutheran Village Ending of Pandemic Pastor Ginger** Rena Hudson

Amelia Bennett





May 12 – Frank Markosky 15 - Mark Hindman 16 – Harper Russell



May 4 – Warren and Carole Grill 11 – Bob and Peggy Miller



Zoom Link - Updated Link for Sunday, Bible Study, and Prayer Meeting

**Z**oom

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4107956333?pwd=S3U1ZWhGcXJXW FFZQ1pnRHISV2ISZz09

Meeting ID: 410 795 6333 Passcode: 2205



- Thursday afternoons at 2 pm.
- Sunday morning at 10:00 am.

Any questions? Ask Pastor! If you can't find her on Sunday morning, call the church office (410) 795-6333 (or email her (hslc.pastor@comcast.net).

## **Church Information**

Please use the binder marked "Church Information" on the table under the bulletin board to write in your birthday, anniversary, and directory information to ensure that I have the correct and current information.

Thank you! *Rena* 

## April's Financials

Gross Offering = \$20,117.55 (included \$2,350 toward the roof repair)

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!!

## **Class Confirmation**

Time: Sundays Eastern Time (US and Canada) on: May 15, 2022 - 7:00 PM May 22, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82195744246?pwd=cXlrbFdLYTVyMGVacG4 4clN1NTMrZz09

Meeting ID: 821 9574 4246 Passcode: 527983 Find your local number: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/u/klKnebOts</u>

Peace,

Mark Friend

"Spirit Diners" will meet on Sunday, June 5, at **Seafood Legend's** at 1 PM, located at 6300 Georgetown Blvd. (a few doors down from Panera Bread) Eldersburg, MD. Map and their menu are available at <u>www.seafoodlegendsykesville.com</u>. We will receive separate checks. Use the "sign-up" sheet (in back of the church) to make your reservation or email me at <u>barbaranorthrop2011@comcast.net</u>, or call me at 410-552-0104.



It will soon be **Carnival Time**, and for Holy Spirit, that means manning the **Ice Cream Stand.** Please mark carnival week on your calendars - June 11-18. (**Note the date!!** You may have received a FD flyer with event dates in the mail, but the date has now had to be changed.) Set aside an evening (or more) to help. Sign up will begin soon. This is a good

community service opportunity for the youth and great outreach for HSLC.....not to mention lots of good fellowship.

## Multipurpose Room Roof

Our multipurpose room roof shingles need to be replaced. The cost is \$20,500.00!

Fortunately, we have the funds to go forward with the new roof but spending \$20,500 will significantly deplete our financial preparedness for the next "emergency". (There's always another one coming!)

We are asking for donations to replace the \$20,500.

Donation envelopes are available in the narthex (next to the posterboard model of the multipurpose room). You can also make donations online via Tithe.ly; just note your donation be directed to the *Multipurpose Room Roof*.

Each 'roofing shingle' on the posterboard model represents \$50. 'Shingles' will be colored in as donations are received. Your generosity will help us color in the roof quickly!

The actual roof repair will be done sometime between the end of the preschool year (May 30<sup>th</sup>) and this year's Vacation Bible School (July 25<sup>th</sup>).

