

St. Peter's Lutheran Church & School

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May 10, 2026 – 8:00am & 10:30am

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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10, 2026 – 8:00am & 10:30am

PRELUDE

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

arr. Nancy Raabe

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

“The Strife is Over, the Battle Done”

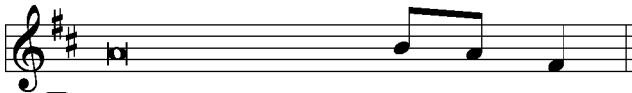
#464

(We rise.)

✠ THE ORDER OF MATINS ✠

(LSB, pg. 219)

P O Lord, open my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Common: Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

✠ PSALMODY ✠

P The Lord is risen indeed!

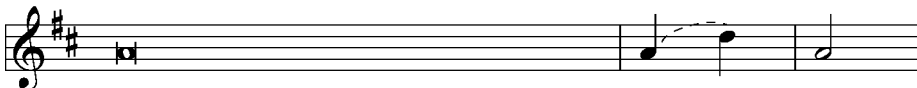
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

VENITE

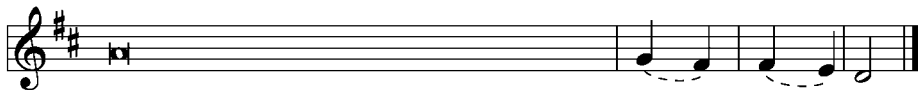
Psalm 95:1-7

C 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 2 For the Lord is a great God
 3 The sea is His, for He made it,
 5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
 3 and His hand formed the dry land.
 5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
3 O come, let us worship and bow— down,
4 For He is our God,
5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
2 the strength of the hills is His— al - so.
3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep— of His hand.
5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

P The Lord is risen indeed!



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

ADDITIONAL PSALMODY

Psalm 66:8-20

- P** Bless our God, O peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard,
C who has kept our soul among the living
and has not let our feet slip.
- P** For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us as silver is tried.
C You brought us into the net;
you laid a crushing burden on our backs;

P You let men ride over our heads;
we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.

C **I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
I will perform my vows to you,**

P That which my lips uttered
and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

C **I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;
I will make an offering of bulls and goats.**

P Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

C **I cried to him with my mouth,
and high praise was on my tongue.**

P If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.

C **But truly God has listened;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.**

P Blessèd be God, because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me!

C **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.**

(We are seated.)

ANTHEM (10:30)

“A Little Night Music”...W.A. Mozart

St. Peter’s Wildcat Bells

✠ SCRIPTURE ✠

FIRST READING

Acts 17:16-31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babblers wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?” ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new. ²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for “‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, “‘For we are indeed his offspring.’ ²⁹Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 Peter 3:13-22

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

(We rise.)

HOLY GOSPEL READING

John 14:15-21

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. ¹⁸"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY FOR EASTER

- P** 1. Sing to the Lord and bless His name, proclaim His salvation from day to day.
- 2. Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the firstfruits of them that sleep.
- 3. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Refrain

C Give to the Lord all glo - ry and strength, give Him the

hon - or due His name. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

(We are seated.)

HYMN OF THE DAY “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” #700

SERMON “Never Alone, Never Forgotten”
 Text: John 14:15-21 – Pastor Danny Eggold

✠ CANTICLE ✠

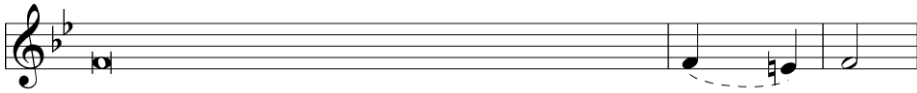
(We rise.)

TE DEUM ~ *We Praise You, O God.*

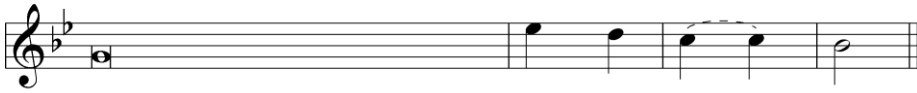
(LSB, pgs. 223-225)

C 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 3 The noble army of martyrs praise — You.

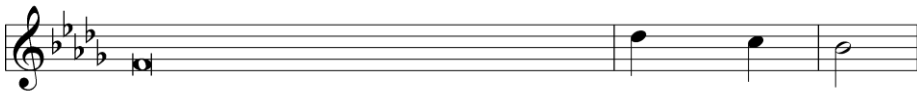
1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.
 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.
 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
 2 The glorious company of the apostles praise You.
 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;
 4 You are the king of glory, O Christ;



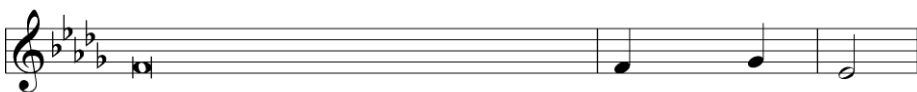
1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:
 2 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets praise You.
 3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com - fort - er.
 4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther.



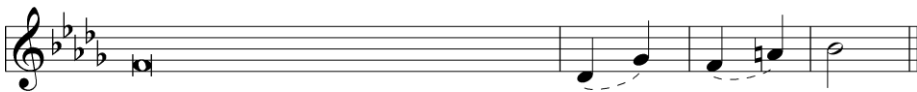
5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,
 6 You sit at the right hand of God



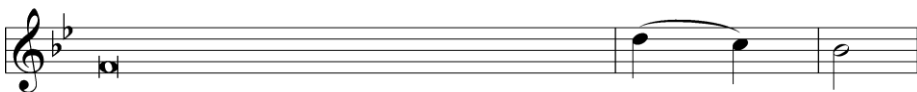
5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
 6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
 6 We believe that You will come



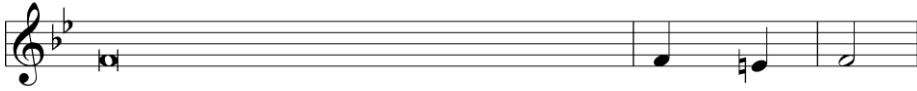
5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
 6 to be our judge.



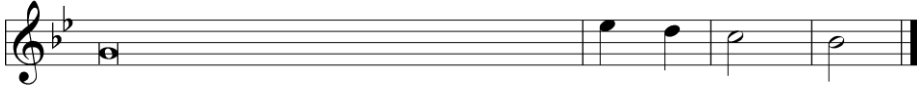
7 We therefore pray You to help Your ser - vants,



7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.



7 Make them to be numbered with Your saints



7 in glory ev - er - last - ing.

(We are seated.)

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP and GATHERING OF OUR OFFERINGS

VOLUNTARY (8:00)

“Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”

arr. Theodore Beck

ANTHEM (10:30)

“Ring Joyfully”

St. Peter’s Wildcat Bells

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Heavenly Father,

C We bring to Your table what we have, gifts from You, the One who makes all things new. With these signs we bring ourselves, that we may carry to the world the victorious life of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ PRAYER ✠

(We rise.)

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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.

EASTER GREETING and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P Let us pray. O God, the giver of all that is good,

C By Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right
and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your
Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Heavenly Father, you call us through the waters of baptism to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ's righteousness throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water, and raise up stewards for the environment. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** You set civil servants in the places where we live. Instill truth and equity among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations. Bring peace to areas of war and conflict, especially in Iran, Ukraine, Gaza, and Sudan. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal those who are sick, shelter any who are unhoused, feed those undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill (*especially...*). Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** Gracious God, grant to all mothers your power and grace. Strengthen them with tenderness and understanding, with compassion and joy. Endow them with wisdom and knowledge so that they might teach their children how to live and how to love; how to seek and pursue that which is right and true; how to turn away from all that is hurtful and wrong. Deepen their own faith so that they might instill in their children a love for you that will sustain and keep them their whole life long. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** O God, You have directed us to bring offerings for Your glory. We implore You to bless this Paschal Candle stand. Grant that it may reflect our love for You, benefit Your Church, and bring joy to those who use it. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **Hear our prayer.**

P In a moment of silence, we bring before Your heavenly throne of grace all those known to us who are in need, whose names are written on our hearts, and our own petitions (*silence*). Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

P God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of the faithful departed, who clung to your promises of life, forgiveness of sins, and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR GRACE

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power, and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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



(We are seated.)

CLOSING HYMN **“Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”** **#487**

POSTLUDE

“The Strife is Over, the Battle Done”

arr. Michael Helman