

**6th Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day**  
**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**  
**The Love of the Father**



Do not worry.  
 Look at the  
 birds... your  
 Heavenly  
 Father cares  
 for them and  
 you are worth  
 much more  
 than they are.  
 Matthew 6:26

**AS WE GATHER**

Today we celebrate Mother's Day, giving thanks for our own mothers and honoring them. We also begin a new sermon series on The Holy Trinity. Today we celebrate the only perfect parent, God the Father.

**507 Holy, Holy, Holy**



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,  
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,  
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
 On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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**+ INVOCATION +**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

**+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +**

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1st John 1:8-9*

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

**+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**

**OPENING SCRIPTURES**

*God the Father*

Pastor: As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord,

People: **Shows compassion to those who fear him.** *Psalm 103:13*

Pastor: See what kind of love the Father has lavished upon us,

People: **That we should be called, "Children of God."** *1st John 3:2*

Pastor: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

People: **The Father of all mercy and the God of all comfort.** *2nd Cor. 1:3*

Pastor: Every good and perfect gift is from above,

People: **Coming down from the Father of Lights.** *James 1:17*

HYMN OF PRAISE – This is the Feast

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*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Proverbs 31:10,25-31*

<sup>10</sup> An excellent wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels...<sup>25</sup>Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. <sup>26</sup>She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. <sup>27</sup>She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. <sup>28</sup>Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: <sup>29</sup>“Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.” <sup>30</sup>Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. <sup>31</sup>Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE

*1st Peter 1:3-9*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup>obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 6:25-34

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 6th chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>25</sup>“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ <sup>32</sup>For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. <sup>33</sup>But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. <sup>34</sup>“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## 725 Children of the Heavenly Father

1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly  
2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His  
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the  
4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His  
in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in  
ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He  
Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He  
chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose  
heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.  
show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.  
sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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**THE OFFERING** (*Offering plates are located in the back of the church.*)

**THE OFFERTORY 712 Seek Ye First**

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God, And His  
 2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, Seek and  
 3 Man does not live by bread a - lone, But by

righ - teous - ness. And all these things shall be  
 ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be  
 ev - 'ry word That pro - ceeds from the

add - ed un - to you! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
 o - pened un - to you, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
 mouth of the Lord, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Heavenly Father, we give thanks to that you have called us to be Your very own children, Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** Lord God, we give thanks to you this day for mothers, asking a special blessing upon them this day. We also give thanks for all the faithful women who serve you here at St. Matthew, bless them with your presence, peace and joy, Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** For those in need (especially...), Lord, in your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People:** Amen.

**+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

**PREFACE**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**Pastor:** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Passover Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**SANCTUS**

*LSB 161*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## 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.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

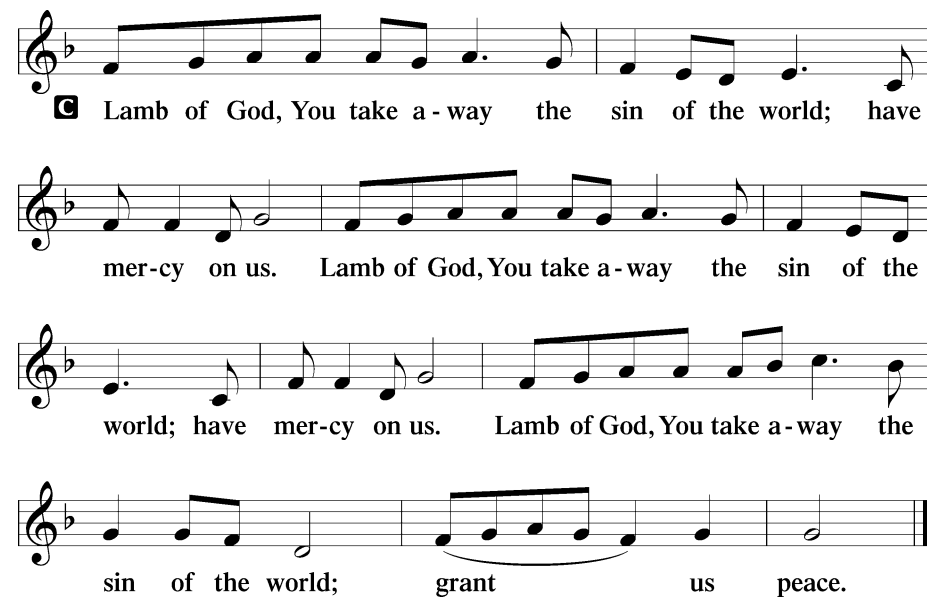
## PAX DOMINI


Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

## AGNUS DEI

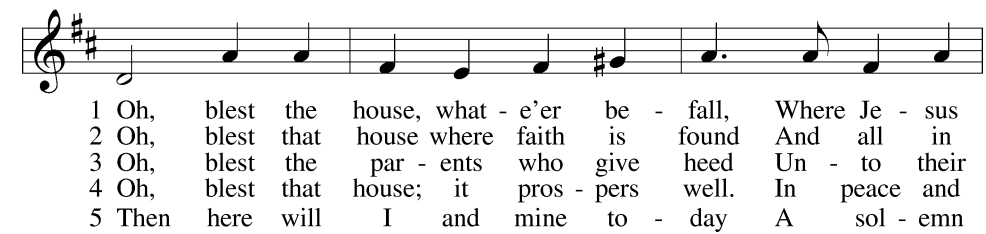
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 Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

## THE DISTRIBUTION

### 862 Oh, Blest the House



 Oh, blest the house, what - e'er be - fall, Where Je - sus  
 2 Oh, blest that house where faith is found And all in  
 3 Oh, blest the par - ents who give heed Un - to their  
 4 Oh, blest that house; it pros - pers well. In peace and  
 5 Then here will I and mine to - day A sol - emn



 Christ is all in all! A home that is not whol - ly  
 hope and love a - bound; They trust their God and serve Him  
 chil - dren's fore-most need And wea - ry not of care or  
 joy the par - ents dwell, And in their chil - dren's lives is  
 prom - ise make and say: Though all the world for - sake His



 His— How sad and poor and dark it is!  
 still And do in all His ho - ly will!  
 cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!  
 shown How rich - ly God can bless His own.  
 Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

Text: Christoph Carl Ludwig von Pfeil, 1712-84; (sts. 1-2, 4-5): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.; (st. 3): tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymnal, 1880, Columbus  
 Tune: Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert, 1535, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug  
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855 For All the Faithful Women sts. 1-2, 8, 12-13, 3



1 For all the faith-ful wom - en Who served in days of old,  
 2 We sing of Mar - y, moth - er, Fair maid - en, full of grace.  
 2 Lord, hear our thanks for Dor - cas, Who served the sick and poor.  
 2 For Eu - nice and for Lo - is We sing our thanks and praise.  
 3 O God, for saints and ser - vants, Those named and those un - known



To You shall thanks be giv - en; To all, their sto - ry told.  
 She bore the Christ, our broth - er, Who came to save our race.  
 Her hands were cups of kind - ness, Her heart an o - pen door.  
 Young Tim - o - thy they nur - tured And led him in Your ways.  
 In whom through all the a - ges Your light of glo - ry shone.



They served with strength and glad - ness In tasks Your wis - dom gave.  
 May we, with her, sur - ren - der Our - selves to Your com - mand  
 Send us, O Christ, Your Bod - y, Where peo - ple cry in pain,  
 Raise up in ev - 'ry house - hold True teach - ers of Your Word  
 We of - fer glad thanks - giv - ing And fer - vent prayer we raise



To You their lives bore wit - ness, Pro - claimed Your pow'r to save.  
 And lay up - on Your al - tar Our gifts of heart and hand.  
 And touch them with com - pas - sion To make them whole a - gain.  
 Whose lives will bear clear wit - ness To Christ, our ris - en Lord.  
 That, faith - ful in Your ser - vice, Our lives may sing Your praise.

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506 Glory Be to God the Father



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to  
 2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each  
 3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the  
 4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:  
 spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,  
 Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;  
 an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,  
 Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,  
 Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,  
 Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!  
 glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!  
 glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!  
 glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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**POST COMMUNION CANTICLE – Thank the Lord**

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☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

**THE CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
The Love of God the Father,  
And the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. *2nd Cor. 13:14*

People: Amen.

**895 Now Thank We All Our God**



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voic - es,  
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God Through all our life be near us,  
△ 3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,



Who won-drous things has done, In whom His world re - joic - es;  
With ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us  
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in high - est heav - en,



Who from our moth - ers' arms Has blest us on our way  
And keep us in His grace And guide us when per - plexed  
The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore;






With count-less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.  
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

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**THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO SERVE**

**Organ and Piano: Katie Cobert**

<b>Song Leaders:</b>	<b>Sat: Alex Barrows</b>	<b>Sun: Emma &amp; Eli Schroeder</b>
<b>Camera:</b>	<b>Sat: Pam Ziegler</b>	<b>Sun: Lorali Mandle</b>
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