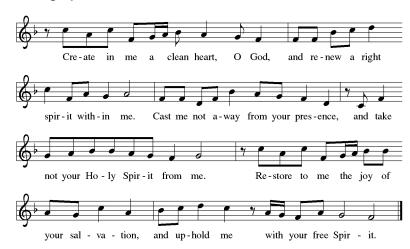
#### Offering

### **Organ Offertory**

Offering Hymn No. 186

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"



#### Prayers of the Church

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

# The Lord's Prayer

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.

#### **Benediction**

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

Amen.

Closing Hymn No. 654

"The Church's One Foundation"

#### Dismissal

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

#### Postlude

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# Welcome to Worship



5th Sunday of Easter – May 17 & 18, 2025
United We Live God's Will

#### Prelude

#### **Announcements**

#### Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

# **Confession and Forgiveness**

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

# Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Merciful God,

C: You free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen

L: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C: Amen.

## Opening Hymn No. 641

"All Are Welcome"

# Greeting

L: 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 Pages 147-148



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,





# Hymn of Praise Pages 148-149



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

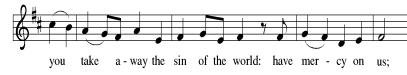


Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we





Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,







For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,





Prayer of the Day

C: 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.

First Reading

Acts 11:1-18 – Page 895

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6 – Pages 1007-1008

# Gospel Acclamation

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# Gospel

L: The holy gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

John 13:31-35 - Page 877

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Hymn No. 652

Sermon Pastor Joel Remmers

Hymn No. 656

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Apostles' Creed

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"Built on a Rock"

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.