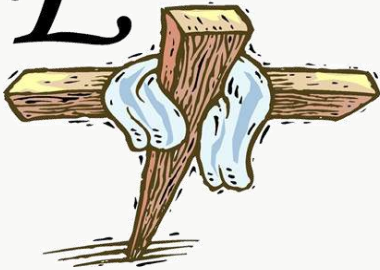


# The Fifth Sunday of

# *Easter*



Prayer of dusty theologian and life-long assistant to Dr. Martin Luther

Lord God, heavenly Father, through Your Son You promised us that whatever we ask in His name You will give us. Keep us in Your Word and grant us Your Holy Spirit. Please govern us according to Your will; protect us from the power of the devil, false doctrine and false worship. Holy Spirit, defend our lives against all danger and grant us Your blessing and peace. Lord, move us to know Your merciful help in all things. You are great and we praise and glorify You now and forever; through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your eternal Son. He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

- Veit Dietrich, (1506 – 1549)



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## WELCOME!

Whether this is your first time visiting or otherwise, we are so glad our heavenly Father brought you here today.



## ♪ WELCOMING SONG: #GREAT IS THE LORD

1. Great is the Lord, He is holy and just  
By His power we trust in His love,  
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true  
By His mercy He proves He is love  
Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!  
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise!  
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice  
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!
  
2. Great is the Lord, He is holy and just  
By His power we trust in His love,  
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true  
By His mercy He proves He is love.  
Great are You Lord and worthy of glory!  
Great are You Lord and worthy of praise!  
Great are You Lord! I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice,  
Great are You Lord! Great are You Lord!

In the name of the living God, the only God, God the Father, God the eternal Son and God the Holy Spirit! Hear the good news again! The LORD is risen!  
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Most Holy and Living God, I join my brothers and sisters to confess:  
I have sinned. I blame others for my sin, but it is me, LORD. I am guilty. I have no refuge other than in Your kindness. In Your

*...they remembered His Words... των ῥημάτων αὐτοῦ*

Word, You have revealed that You love to show kindness. So I beg You, heavenly Father, to have mercy on me, O LORD. Have mercy on me, a sinner.

For you Jesus Christ took on sin and death and defeated the devil. So, please listen to His words and take heart: in the name of my Savior and at His command and promise, I forgive all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



### **RESPONSE: #731**

*OH HOW GOOD IT IS! STANZA 1*

1 Oh how good it is when the fam'ly of God  
dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity.  
Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love  
are the fruit of His presence here among us.  
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord, and  
with one heart we'll live out His word,  
till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come  
For He dwells in the presence of His people.

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, You form the minds of Your faithful people into a single will. Move us to love what You command and to desire what You promise. In this way, Your Holy Spirit will move our hearts to long for the lasting joys of heaven. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **BIBLE READINGS**

John 13:31ff Jesus continues to prepare His disciples for the time when He will not be visibly here. People will know they belong to Him by how they love one another.

Acts 11:1ff Peter learns to adapt his mindset to match God's word. The Lord is reaching those who need to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ. Jesus has fully and freely forgiven all sinners by His sacrifice and glorious resurrection.

*"...they remembered His Words..." των ρήματων αυτου*

## BIBLE READING 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup>It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. <sup>6</sup>Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>It always protects, always trusts, always

hopes, always perseveres.

<sup>8</sup>Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup>For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup>but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. <sup>12</sup>For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

<sup>13</sup>And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.



## RESPONSE: #731

OH HOW GOOD IT IS! STANZA 3

**3. Oh how good it is to embrace His command  
to prefer one another, forgive as He forgives.  
When we live as one we all share in the love  
Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit.**

**So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,  
and with one heart we'll live out His word,  
till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come,  
for He dwells in the presence of His people.**

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

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

...they remembered His Words... των ρημάτων αυτού

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

### VICTORY SONG OF THE DAY A PROMISE

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1. Dear Jesus in glory, dear Jesus of light,  
We thank You for mercy shown us in sin's night  
Yes, all praise we offer You, Savior and Friend!  
By grace undeserved we are rescued from sin!
  
2. A Promise You give to Your children all here;  
We use Your great promise: our prayers always hear!  
You've given Your promise; You said:  
**"IN MY NAME, OF ANYTHING ASKED  
I WILL GIVE YOU THE SAME."**
  
3. Our faith lies before You, we see it so small.  
Help us in our weakness that we may not fall!  
We come now before You and ask you to hear:  
Grant our faith be strengthened, increased in Your fear!
  
4. Remember, O LORD, Your great works from of old,  
Those wonders astounding that prophets have told!  
Whenever I call on You, answer my plea!  
I pray in Your Name, by Your grace I believe!
  
- 5. Fear not! I AM with you, oh be not afraid;  
For I AM your God and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen You, help you, and cause you to stand  
Upheld by My merciful, powerful Hand!"**

*"...they remembered His Words..." των ρήματων αυτου*

## INSTRUCTION IN GOD'S WORD PSALM 145 EHV

### PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S GLORY

- 1 I will exalt you, my God, the King,  
and I will bless Your name forever and ever.
- 2 Every day I will bless You,  
and I will praise Your name forever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and worthy of great praise,  
and there are no limits to the extent of His greatness.

### GIVE GOD PRAISE

- 4 One generation will praise Your deeds to another,  
and they will declare Your mighty acts.
- 5 I will contemplate the glorious splendor of Your majesty  
and the accounts of Your wonderful works.
- 6 Then they will speak about the power of Your awesome works,  
and I will tell about Your great deeds.
- 7 They will pour forth the memory of Your abundant goodness  
and sing loudly about Your righteousness.



### PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S GRACE

- 8 The Lord is gracious and compassionate,  
slow to anger and great in mercy.
- 9 The Lord is good to all.  
His compassion extends over all He has made.

### GIVE GOD PRAISE

- 10 Everyone You have made will thank You, O Lord,  
and the ones You favor will bless You.
- 11 They will tell about the glory of Your kingdom,  
and they will speak about Your might,
- 12 to make known His might to the children of Adam,  
to make known the glorious splendor of His kingdom.

## **WE RETURN OUR GIFTS**

Offerings are an act of worship in which believers return to the Savior some of what God has generously given to us. These are not membership fees, nor tuition dues, nor billing payments for services rendered. Whatever gift Jesus moves you to give, we thank you. Your offerings support Gospel ministries here at Good Shepherd Church and School and from here into the world.

## **INTERCESSORIES | LORD'S PRAYER | BENEDICTION**

🎵 **PARTING SONG: #902 SPREAD ABROAD, O MIGHTY WORD**  
*STANZAS 1-3 ALL; STANZA 4 WOMEN STANZA 5 MEN STANZA 6 ALL*

**ALL 1 Spread abroad, O mighty Word,  
telling of a gracious LORD  
whose all-pow'rful gospel call  
fills His heav'nly banquet hall.**

**ALL 2 Tell how God the Father's will  
made the world, upholds it still,  
how His only Son He gave  
all from sin and death to save.**

**ALL 3 Tell of our Redeemer's love,  
who forever does remove  
by His holy sacrifice  
all the guilt that on us lies.**

**WOMEN 4 Tell of God the Spirit giv'n  
now to guide us on to heav'n,  
strong and holy, just and true,  
working both to will and do.**

**MEN 5 Spread abroad! Ripe fields of grain  
all throughout the world remain,  
but the reapers still are few;  
great the work they have to do.**

**ALL 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,  
rouse to action heart and mine;  
let the gath'ring nations all  
see Your light and heed Your call.**




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# WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

## OUR WEEK WITH JESUS

<b>Sunday 18</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	<b>10:15 am</b>	<b>Sundy School</b>
	<b>2:00 pm</b>	Cable TV of <b>Last week's service</b> <u>Solarus Ch 3 &amp; Spectrum Ch 985</u>
<b>Monday 19</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Choir Practice
<b>Tuesday 20</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	Board of Education Meeting
		<b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>
<b>Wednesday 21</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>	Coffee w/Christ at Grace's
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Confirmation Class
<b>Thursday 22</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Worship Service w/communion</b>
<b>Friday 23</b>	<b>11:30 AM</b>	Rome Farmer's Market
		<b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>

Worship Online 24/7 at [live.1goodshepherd.org](http://live.1goodshepherd.org)



**Birthdays/Anniversaries this week:** Luanne Sigmund and Sawyer Tuttle

### Change for Life - Build a Better Tomorrow

The Good Shepherd Ladies Group is again sponsoring the baby bottle event to benefit New Beginnings – A Home for Mothers. It will take place from Mothers Day, May 11th through Fathers Day, June 15th. A buggy full of baby bottles can be found in the narthex. Anyone can participate by taking a bottle home, filling it with loose change, cash or check and returning it no later than June 16th. A basket is provided for return of the bottles. Thank you for participating in this ongoing ministry. You are not just giving a hand-out; you are providing a hand-up.



### Our Extended & Growing Family of Faith remains in our prayers to God our

#### Father.

Pat & Ed Tesch	Becky Thorpe
Brad Roberts	Andy Hogan
Emily Erwin	Lauren Holberg
Connie Heitl	Lynn & Deb Ives
Jerry & Donna Marks	Betty Havlik
Jenna Kammuller	Gloria Walters
Mandy Ehlke & Family	Pat Hunziker
Julie Bunt	Tami Paul
Valerie Grunwaldt	Tim Bauman

Families of Dianne Lau, Pat Rozelle, Elaine Harrington, Karen Deglow, & Marci Wiessinger

Friends of the Congregation: Forrest & Elizabeth, Tami Zimmerman, Juliett Ort, Gil Ewer, Mandy Ehlke & Family, Sam & Becky Piper, Sonia in India, Dr. Rev Karl & Karen Kuenzel, Juanita in Hong Kong



May 18th & 25th

Your donations to the green "AMMO" can in the narthex assist our ELS/WELS pastors as they serve our military men and women and their families.

Your gifts are appreciated!



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## FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

### *Rafters Baseball Game*

*Sign up to attend the game, all you can eat and drink*

*WHEN: Sunday, July 13th*

*TIME: 3:05 PM*

*COST: \$36.00 per person*

*There is a sign up sheet & envelope for your payments in the Narthex.*



### ROME FARMERS MARKET

**BEGINNING MAY 23RD WE ARE LOOKING FOR ASSISTANCE TO SET UP OR HELP WORK AT THE BOOTH & TEAR DOWN.**



**YOUR WILLINGNESS TO HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.**

### BIBLE QUIZ

1. Which Old Testament prophet responded to the Lord's call with the words "Here am I.. Send me"?
2. Who instructed some servants, "Fill the jars with water"?
3. "O man of God, there is death in the pot!" Who said this to Elisha?
4. Who was afraid and said, "What I did must have become known"?
5. "Rabbi, we know you are a teacher who has come from god" Who said this?



Answers: 1: Isaiah, 2: Jesus, 3: The company of the prophets in Gilgal, 4: Moses, 5: Nicodemus

### ADOPT A PLOT

For those members who have "adopted a plot", it's time to please clean your area & make it ready for planting. If you have decided not to continue maintaining your area, would you kindly advise Fern so that someone else can take it over. As always, your interest and work to help make our church grounds attractive is most appreciated.



### ARK ENCOUNTER BUS TRIP: JUNE 17-20

Pastor Wall (St. John-St. Peter Lutheran, Cleveland) is organizing a bus trip to see the Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum and you are invited! Cost of the trip is \$300 per adult, plus hotel (\$123/night). Visit [www.stjohnstpeter.com/ark-encounter-trip](http://www.stjohnstpeter.com/ark-encounter-trip) for more info or to register. Or contact Pastor Wall at 920-782-0827.



Our mission is simple and bold:

**We seek to grow in faith  
and knowledge of our Savior Jesus.**

**We want to make Him known to others so they, too,  
might share in the joy Jesus won for them.**

