

St. Luke Lutheran Church

5th Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

10:45 a.m. Contemporary



SERMON

Pastor Johnson

Love as I have loved you

—John 13:31-35

Welcome to
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Welcome!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome both members and guests to His church. We are present this day to worship Him. In this service we thank and honor our Lord for His many blessings and seek His guidance and comfort for each day of life.

- ❖ Be **reverent** and **thoughtful** in this Holy place.
- ❖ **Before** the service, speak with God.
- ❖ **During** the service, let God speak to you.
- ❖ **After** the service, speak to one another.

As We Gather: We begin our worship today praising the lamb of God who has taken away the sins of the world. For this saving work, Christ is truly worthy of praise, adoration, thanks and honor. He is truly worthy of our worship because of who He is and what He has done for us. Now we shall hear again the great story of salvation that was won for us by the Lamb of God. Rejoice! For the lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia!

Holy Communion is celebrated at each Worship Service.

The Lord's Supper is a gift from our Savior in which He offers us Himself and His forgiveness. Those who partake witness of their love for Him and their faith and fellowship for each other. If you have confessed your sins and if you have been properly instructed regarding the Lord's Supper and believe in the presence of Christ in the form of bread and wine, which are the body and blood of Christ, please join us for the celebration of Holy Communion.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

8:15am & 10:45am w/ Sunday School

Contemporary Band plays Sundays two times/month (check online calendar)

Sundays at 10:45 AM

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Sunday morning between services at 9:30 AM

Wednesday Mornings online at 10:00 AM

The **C.A.R.E Team** encourages *anyone experiencing illness or a challenging situation in their life to reach out to us for support. Support can consist of emotional/spiritual support, meals, transportation, help with errands or chores, and other areas as they are identified. Contact via **Hotline: (631) 600-0271** Or email careteam@stlukedixhills.org Coordinators: Trish Klare & Amanda Fenty*

Mission Statement

To know Christ and make him known by Serving, Teaching, and Loving.

PRE-SERVICE
Come, Now is the Time to Worship

PASTORAL GREETING

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

SUNDAY SCHOOL SONG
“Fruit of the Spirit”

OPENING SONG
Everlasting God

Verse:

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord

Pre-Chorus:

Our God, You reign for- ev- er
Our hope, Our strong de-liv-erer

Chorus:

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God
You do not faint, You won't grow wea- ry

Verse:

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You're the defender of the weak, You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eag- les

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OPENING PRAYER

FIRST READING – Revelation 21:1-6

¹ 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. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ 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 and be their God;

⁴ 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.”

⁵ 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.” ⁶ 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.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLEUIA AND VERSE

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 GOSPEL

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 13th chapter.

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

GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

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

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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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 again 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.**

**Or, to the dead.*

***meaning, universal*

SERMON SONG

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

Verse

Over the mountains and the sea, Your river runs with love for me
And I will open up my heart, And let the Healer set me free
I'm happy to be in the truth, And I will daily lift my hands
For I will always sing Of when Your love came down

Chorus

I could sing of Your love forever
I could sing of Your love forever
I could sing of Your love forever
I could sing of Your love forever

Verse

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Chorus

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Bridge

Oh I feel like dancing
It's foolishness I know
But when the world has seen the light
They will dance with joy like we're dancing now

Chorus 2X

THE PRAYERS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING SONG

“Better Is One Day”

Verse

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty
My soul longs and even faints for you
For here my heart is satisfied, within your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of your wings

Chorus:

Better is one day in your courts
Better is one day in your house
Better is one day in your courts
Than thousands elsewhere.

Verse

One thing I ask, and I would seek...to see your beauty
To find you in the place your glory dwells
One thing I ask, and I would seek... to see your beauty
To find you in the place your glory dwells.

Chorus:

Better is one day in your courts
Better is one day in your house
Better is one day in your courts
Than thousands elsewhere.

And thousands elsewhere.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
People: **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.**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
People: **And also with you.**

HOLY COMMUNION



COMMUNION SONGS **You Are My King (Amazing Love)**

Verse

I'm forgiven, because You were forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
Because you died and rose again

Chorus

Amazing love, how can it be
That You my king would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
And It's my joy to honor You
In all I do I honor You

(Repeat from beginning)

Ending

You are my king, You are my king
Jesus, You are my king, Jesus, You are my king

Chorus

Amazing love, how can it be
That You my king would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
And It's my joy to honor You
In all I do I honor You

Awesome is the Sight

Verse

**Awesome is the sight of Your holiness
Majestic is Your purity
Your righteousness shines brighter than the sun on me**

**Awesome is the sight of Your holiness
Majestic is Your purity
Your righteousness shines brighter than the sun On me**

Chorus

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord our God
Glory, glory, glory to His matchless name
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lamb that was slain
That was slain, that was slain**

Verse

**Awesome is the sight of Your holiness
Majestic is Your purity
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Chorus

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REPEAT from the beginning

BLESSING

MINISTRY NEWS

CLOSING SONG

Build Your Kingdom Here

Verse 1:

Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now

Pre Chorus:

We are Your Church
We need Your power in Us

Verse 2:

We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captive hearts released
The hurt; the sick; the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause. Pre-Chorus

Chorus:

Build Your kingdom here, Let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand, Heal our streets and land.
Set Your church on fire, Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere, Build Your kingdom here we pray.

Pre-Chorus and then Chorus (2x)

A SENDING WORD

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Deacon: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.
People: Thanks be to God.

** Church Attendance and Offerings **

Attendance week ending 5/11/2025

Sunday May 11, 2025

8:15 AM:49 10:45 AM:101

Offerings Received in April 2025

*(total monthly offerings **includes** online giving)*

ACTUAL April Regular Offerings Received:

Regular Weekly Offerings: \$18,908.54

Loose Plate: \$1017.00

Lent/Easter: \$7144.97

Total April: \$27,070.51

Regular Monthly Budgeted: \$22,000.00

Year to Date (July-April): \$224,464.00

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ST. LUKE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

53rd Annual Golf Outing

Monday July 7, 2024

The Woodside Club



WOODSIDE
— CLUB —

established 2010

A Community Outreach Fundraising Event

**Full Round of Golf with breakfast, food & drink on the
course, cocktail hour, Dinner and raffles and prizes**

10am-Registration/Breakfast 12pm-Shotgun Start 5pm-Cocktails/Dinner

**Register & Pay Fees Online
at our website.**

Scan the QR Code



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Golfer Registration
Dinner Only Registration**

**Guest of Honor
Fred Probst**



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