

5:00 & 8:00

FORGIVING

CHALLENGE



RESTORATION

EASTER 7 - MAY 11/12, 2024

DIVINE SETTING 5

WELCOME & THEME

✠ PREPARATION ✠

stand

OPENING HYMN

“On Christ’s Ascension I Now Build”

LSB 492

INVOCATION [*We “invoke” the God in whose name we are baptized to be with us; Matt. 28:19*]

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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CONFESSION [*Trusting in God’s mercy and grace, we confess (repent of) our sins.*]

P Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

C I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my own grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

KYRIE

[*Tune: “Amazing Grace”*]

Have mercy on Your people, Lord.
Have mercy, Christ, our King.
Renew us by Your mercy, Lord;
accept the prayers we bring.

ABSOLUTION [*We rejoice in God’s declaration of forgiveness*]

P Upon this your confession, I announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ as your pastor, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

[Tune: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"]

Worthy is Christ our Lord,
 the Lamb for sinners slain,
 whose blood has set His people free,
 who over all things reigns.

To Him be glory now,
 to Him be pow'r and might,
 to Him be wisdom, honor, strength;
 the Victor in the fight.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

THE FOUNDATION

- P** The Bible, we hold, is God's Word from cover to cover;
- C** it makes me wise for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ;
- P** it is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training us how to live;
- C** I need to read, listen, and learn from this foundation of truth laid forth by God.

EPISTLE

1 Peter 5:5b-11

⁵Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, ⁷casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you. ⁸Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To Him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

*stand***HOLY GOSPEL**

John 17:11b-19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹¹Holy Father, keep them in Your name, which You have given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in Your name, which You have given Me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them Your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that You take them out of the world, but that You keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth. ¹⁸As You sent Me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate Myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

sit Children's Message(Sunday only) in A202 for children age 3 through second grade. (Parents: Please keep your phone near you on vibrate so that we can contact you quietly if needed.)

CREEDAL HYMN**“In God We Believe”**(Tune: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*)

**In God we believe: the Creator whose pow'r
in mercy has brought us for worship this hour.
He graciously grants us our years and our days
and blesses with kindness our work and our ways.**

**In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secured.
True God and true man once the cross He endured
to grant our lives wholeness, forgiveness of sin.
With hearts freed from guilt, we know true peace within.**

**God's Spirit at work in our lives we confess;
with power and truth the church now He does bless.
As saints, God's forgiven, one day we shall then
be living in glory forever. Amen.**

SERMON

The Forgiveness Challenge: *Restoration*

OFFERING *(See page 7 for offering information.)*

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PRAYERS *When the pastor says, "Oh, give thanks to the Lord for He is good," the congregation responds, "His steadfast love endures forever."*

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION ✠

P I exhort you in Christ that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the words with which Christ presents His body and blood to us for forgiveness; that you take note of and give thanks for the boundless love that He showed us when He saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by His blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is His body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in His name, according to His command, and with His own words administer and receive the Testament.

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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

P 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."

SHARING OF THE PEACE *(We come to the altar at peace with one another.)*

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.

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DISTRIBUTION & DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

(See page 7 for communion information.)

LSB 688 “‘Come Follow Me’ the Savior Spake”

LSB 691 “Fruitful Trees, the Spirit Sowing”

LSB 493 “A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”



POST-COMMUNION BLESSING *(Saturday only)*

stand

BENEDICTION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Make Me a Servant”

by Willard

**Make me a servant, humble and meek,
 Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
 And may the prayer of my heart always be:
 make me a servant, make me a servant,
 make me a servant today. *(repeat all)***

WE ENTER TO WORSHIP; WE EXIT TO WITNESS!

REGARDING HOLY COMMUNION:

Holy Communion is a very special time in our worship service. The Bible teaches that distribution of the Lord's Supper is an important ministry of the church, and that loving care should be practiced so as to guarantee that all who partake receive Christ's body and blood to their spiritual benefit. (See 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, Pew Bible, p. 812-813.) Members and guests please read the explanation below before attending communion today. If you have any doubts or questions, we respectfully ask you to refrain from participating until you've had the opportunity to talk with one of our pastors. ***If you will not be receiving communion, please feel free to come forward to the communion rail to receive a blessing; indicate this desire by folding your hands.***

In accordance with Holy Scripture, and out of loving concern for all, we believe in the biblical practice of Close Communion. This means, those are welcome to the Lord's Table who believe the basic teachings of the Lutheran church listed below:

1. *Have been instructed in God's Word, especially the Apostles' Creed, Ten Commandments and Holy Sacraments;*
2. *Confess and repent of all their sins;*
3. *Believe that in and with the bread and wine, they receive in a miraculous way, not merely a symbol, but the true body and blood of Christ, for the forgiveness of their sins and the strengthening of their faith;*
4. *Recognize that participation at His table indicates a public agreement with the Biblical teaching of the Sacrament as we teach and confess, and a oneness in faith with fellow communicants.*

REGARDING THANK OFFERINGS:

To our guests — Your gifts to the LORD are deeply appreciated, but please do not feel obligated to give an offering.

Offerings can be given in the following ways —

- Place in the offering plate as it is passed down the pew.
- Place in the box found by the sanctuary door as you exit.
- Drop off or mail to the church office.
- Go to oursaviorbett.org and click on "Give."
- Give offerings/donate from your smart phone.
Scan the QR code to access the online giving page.



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THE FORGIVING CHALLENGE



**PHASE 1:
SIN**
APRIL 21



**PHASE 2:
CONFESSION**
APRIL 28



**PHASE 3:
ABSOLUTION**
MAY 5



**PHASE 4:
RESTORATION**
MAY 12



**PHASE 5:
SANCTIFICATION**
MAY 19

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEKEND:

Preacher.....	Pastor Keith Piotter
Liturgist.....	Pastor Gary Timm
Organist.....	Jean Baker
Acolyte (Saturday).....	Graham Halverson
Children's Message (Sunday).....	Lauren Krueger
Projectionist (Saturday/Sunday).....	Trevor Zimmerman/Scott Arnold
Livestream (Sunday).....	Landen Garnica

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