



Welcome to Worship!



Sixth Sunday of Easter

Worship Leader: Rev. Bill Pursley Worship Accompanist: Lynn Wegner

Order of Worship

(ELW—Evangelical Lutheran Worship—red hymnal; WOV –With One Voice—blue hymnal)

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Pastor: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of remembrance.

All: We remember fallen soldiers, and the sacrifice they made for the sake of others.

Pastor: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of thanksgiving.

All: We thank God for brave men and women that have given their lives so that we may worship without fear.

Pastor: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of silence; for a moment is the least we can do for those that gave their eternity.

Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

God of every nation, as we remember those that gave their life for our sake, let us be stirred to action in their memory. We confess that we have not done all that is possible to promote peace and justice in our world. We have not loved our neighbors, let alone our enemies. Forgive us for failing to live up to your commandments. Empower us to work for your Kingdom in this world and welcome us by your grace into your Kingdom in the next. Amen.

Gathering Song *"O Day of Peace"* ELW 711

Greeting **c: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading Acts 16:9-15

Gospel Acclamation *"Celtic Alleluia"* ELW 174

Gospel John 14:23-29

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *"It Is Well"* see insert

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Peace

Offertory Song *"I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me"* v. 1 ELW 860

Offering Prayer **c: Amen.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer ELW pg. 112

Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymn *"Drawn to the Light"* ELW 593

Post Communion Blessing **c: Amen.**

Prayer after Communion **c: Amen.**

Blessing **c: Amen.**

Sending Song *"Savior, Again to Your Dear Name"* ELW 534

Dismissal Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Announcements

Birthdays this week: Penny Achterkirch, Jon Strangstalien, Olivia Temp, Susan Anderson, Miles Bartnik, Jeffery Severson, Pamela Gran

Summer Worship Time: **From June 1 through August 31 we'll worship on Sundays at 9 AM. As a reminder: we'll worship at Synod Assembly on June 8 at 10 AM at Riverside Park in La Crosse. NO worship at HCLC that day.**

Noisy Offering: In May, your offerings will support Holmen's Hope Summer Lunch Program. Last weekend you donated \$201.44 for a total of \$367.36 so far! Let's keep making some noise! Holmen's Hope Summer Lunch Program is also in need of food items including granola bars, juice boxes, fruit snacks, peanut butter, and jelly. If you can help, please bring items to church and we'll deliver them!

Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary to Steve and Susie Johnson. Married at Halfway Creek Lutheran Church on May 24, 1975.

This Memorial Day weekend, we remember all who have died in military service. Soothe loved ones who mourn and strengthen support systems for veterans and their families. Bring peace among nations, that war and conflict around the world might cease. Amen.

In Our Prayers:

We pray for friends and family of those who have passed: Dewey Crocker, Ray Cook, Charles Severson, Madilyn Vang, Jeff Rose, Ron Hanson, Rod Sutherland, Curt Nedoba, Judy Campbell, Mike Nedoba, Raymond Lee, Marie Jezova

We pray for Robin Ruhbusch, Mike and Pat Martin, Laurie Noelke, Brooklynn Cook, Megan Sacia Ulrich, Perry Voshage, Owen Gilbertson, Adisyn Rhyme, Kannon Happel, Marjorie Lee, Jean Latham, Bob Loper, Joan Vaughn, Bridget Ferk, Thelma Severson, Lisa Herrera Evans, Katie Wier, Phoebe Kitzke, Gayle Kuespert, Beulah Sanders, Cary Heyer, Eric Erdman, Dawson Reed, Jenny Lee, Mary Dokkebaken, Karla Johnson, Alice Fonfara, the Coats

Synod Assembly

For the Beauty
of the Earth

La Crosse Area Synod
Assembly 2025 - Climate Edition



**June 6-7 @ Westby Coon Prairie
Lutheran Church**

**June 8, 10 AM @ Riverside Park,
La Crosse (NO worship at HCLC that
day)**

Welcome to Worship!

Thank you for being here today. We want you to feel at home when you are here at HCLC, so please remember:

As you participate

Bolded words on the screen are for you to speak.

Even though the pastor indicates when to stand up or sit down, that is not mandatory. We do not judge when it's done differently. Move around as you need to and please worship as *your* body demands it.

Offering

The offering is our way of showing that when we come to the table we bring ourselves as well as all we have been given by God to be blessed for service in God's world.

The offering plate is passed around during the offering song.

The cake pan is for our Noisy Offering. Each month we choose a cause to support.

Offerings can also be made through our website or by using this QR code. Thank you for the many ways you support HCLC and our mission.



Holy Communion

All are welcome to the table today when communion is offered. It is not our table, but Jesus is the host. So, in this place **all** are welcome to Jesus' table.

Pre-packaged communion kits, regular **and gluten-free**, are available for communing in your seats or bringing them forward with you. The ushers will have them in a basket.

Communion in the front aisle will be baked bread and both wine and juice (the wine is red, juice is clear).

Kids

We welcome kids to participate fully in any part of the service! You may pass the offering plate or noisy offering, and we have activity bags as you enter church.

An **AED is available** in case of an emergency. It is located just outside the sanctuary doors.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship each week after service. Guests and members please take a moment to fill out the Welcome Card in the pew. We want to know how we can best minister to you.

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