

## SAN MARCOS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Pr. Casey Kloehn Dunsworth

Seventh Sunday of Easter June 1, 2025 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to worship!

Throughout the service, you will be invited to sit, stand, or kneel as you are able and as you feel comfortable.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, for it is Christ who does the inviting. An usher will let you know when it is your row's turn to come forward. Bread, gluten-free wafers, red wine, and white juice are all available. Please tell the pastor you need a gluten-free wafer when it is your turn.

#### **GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY TIME OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

## Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

### Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,

waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness,

and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

## make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

## make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

## make us one as vou are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

## Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

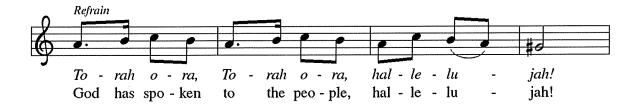
## Open Your Ears, O Faithful People



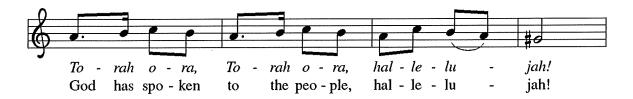
O - pen your ears, O faith-ful peo - ple, o - pen your ears and hear God's word. 2 They who have ears to hear the mes-sage, they who have ears, now let them hear;

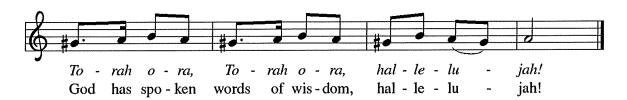


O - pen your hearts, O roy - al priest-hood, God has come to they who would learn the way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.









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#### WORD

FIRST LESSON

Acts 16:16-34

One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

## PSALM 97 - THE LORD IS KING



#### Verses

- 1. The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, let all the coastlands be glad. Justice and right, God's throne.
- 2. The skies proclaim God's justice; all peoples see God's glory. All you spirits worship the Lord.
- 3. For you indeed are the Lord most high above all the earth, exalted far above all spirits.

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Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

## SECOND LESSON

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to John the 13th Chapter Glory to you, O Lord.

#### GOSPEL

John 17:20-26

"I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them and I in them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

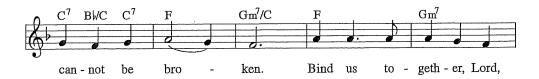
Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON (sit)

## Bind Us Together

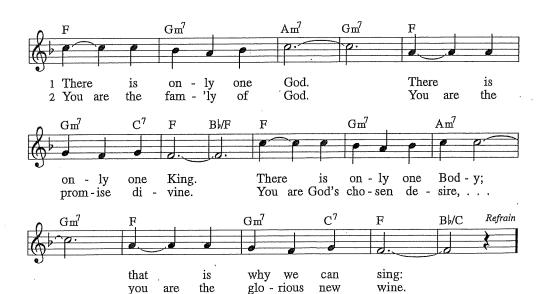


Bind us to - geth-er, Lord, bind us to - geth-er with cords that





bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er in love.



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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (you may be seated)

*The assembly is invited into prayer:* 

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need. (A brief silence)

After each petition, "Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great."

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.** 

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

## And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of peace

## **MEAL**

SPECIAL MUSIC

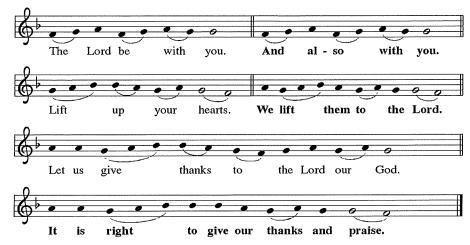
"God is Our Refuge" - Allen Pote

Choir

### OFFERING PRAYER

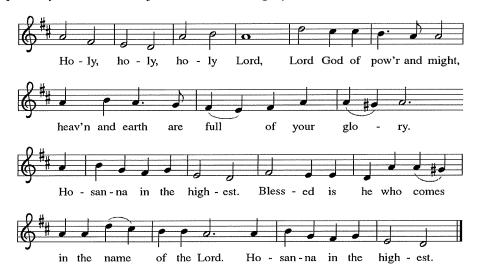
Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. **Amen.** 

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



## The presiding minister continues:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.

Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

## Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

## Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.** 

### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

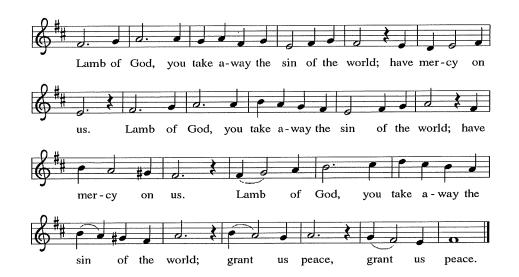
Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### LAMB OF GOD



Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

### DISTRIBUTION

**COMMUNION HYMN** 

HYMNAL #474

## Bread of Life from Heaven



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Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, BREAK NOW THE BREAD; Argentine traditional, refrain; Marty Haugen, b. 1950, stanzas Text and music © 2001 GIA Publications, Inc., 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638. www.giamusic.com 800.442.3358 All rights reserved. Used by permission.

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### TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us.

Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

Amen.

### **SENDING**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BLESSING**

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.

SENDING HYMN

## In Christ There Is No East or West



- 1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
- 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com-mu nion find; 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



of love through-out the whole wide earth. but one com - mu - ni - ty gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man-kind. his ser - vice is the sure - ly kin liv - ing God are All chil - dren of the souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth. all Christ-ly

Text: John Oxenham, 1852-1941, alt.

Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866-1949

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

## Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

We invite you to remain seated quietly for the postlude. If you exit during the postlude, please refrain from conversation until you are outside of the sanctuary.

POSTLUDE

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher/Presider: Pr. Casey Kloehn Dunsworth
Assisting Minister: Anne Voth
Musicians: Justin Hershey and Max Chodos
Lector: Doris Payne
Ushers: Tom Andreas and Liz Starr

All are welcome! As a community of the people of God, the members of San Marcos Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28)

Are you new to San Marcos Lutheran Church? Pastor Casey would love the opportunity to get to know you, and has put together a short, confidential, online form. Your smartphone's OR reader can take you to it using this code.

If technology isn't your cup of tea (or if it just isn't working for you today) there are creamcolored cards in the pew in front of you, which you can fill out and put in the silver offering plates, hand to an usher, or hand to Pastor Casey after the service. We're glad you're here!



Let Us Keep These People in Our Prayers Susan Agonia, Christine Buma, Jim Cavolt, Sue Check, Eunice Choi, Steve Choi, Crystal, Bill Hanson, Jolene Hanson, Pete Johnson, Jim Kent, Linda Kent, Gary Kloehn, Laura, Larry, Deborah McGregor, Melinda Nelson, Leanne Pohrman, Alvar Roy, Jake & Sarah Simpson, Vern Soderstrom, Marilynne Smith, Dawn Steele, Stephanie, Nick Torres, Kelly Van Jen. Let us pray for our homebound members: Janice Phillips, and Carol Schwartz. We also continue to pray for: Pacifica Synod Bishop David Nagler and ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of San Marcos Lutheran Church! Your generosity enables us to do God's work in our community. Your contributions to our general fund support our budgeted expenses—we cannot do it without your support!

You can contribute in any of the following ways:

- ➤ Place a check or cash in the silver offering plates at the back of the sanctuary on Sundays:
- Mail a check to the church office (3419 Grand Ave. San Marcos, CA 92078);
- > Set up a recurring donation through your bank;
- Make a one-time or recurring donation with your credit or debit card or bank account through Tithely, our online giving portal. Visit <a href="mailto:sanmarcoslutheran.org/give">sanmarcoslutheran.org/give</a> to get started.



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## **HELP NEEDED!!!!** Help plan for the 4th of July!

In order to host our friends and neighbors for a fun, festive, and safe 4th of July, we need to start planning now. As many know this event requires "all hands on deck!" We need volunteers to help make this successful! If you're willing and able to wrangle things like food, games, marketing, safety, set-up/clean-up, etc., we want you on our team! Call the office 760-727-1509 or email office@sanmarcoslutheran.org to let Aimee know you're interested. We are now asking for donations of water, individual soft drinks and individual snacks. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Items can be dropped off in the office or left in the narthex.

## **Turk Center Volunteers Needed**

San Marcos Lutheran Church has been a long-time supporter of Interfaith. The Turk Center, a part of Interfaith, is a recuperative short-term housing location for unhoused individuals who have been hospitalized and need time to recuperate. Our church, along with many other organizations, helps the Turk Center residents by helping serve meals on the third Sunday of the month between 4:15-6:30 pm. We need four volunteers each time to help serve the food and to organize a craft, board game, or a craft after dinner. Children are welcome who are middle school age and older. We are currently looking for volunteers for the months of June-December, 2025. If you are interested in volunteering, please email Beth Sullivan, at <a href="mailto:beth@pa3.com">beth@pa3.com</a>, or call Beth at 847-254-0212. We look forward to resuming this valuable service for residents of the Turk Center.

## Saturdays of Sisterhood: A Monthly Study for Women About Women of the Bible. Next session: Saturday, June 7, 2025, from 10-11:30 in Luther Hall

This month we will continue to get to know Ruth. Expect lively discussion, laughter, bible exploring, sharing of each other's thoughts, offering of prayers, and mutual support to occur. Coffee and tea will also be served. Questions? Contact Kärin Kupka at 760-415-2525 or <a href="karinkupka533@hotmail.com">karinkupka533@hotmail.com</a>. No need to RSVP. Just come! (Note we will not be meeting in July but resume on Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10 AM.)

## Calling all polyglots—Pentecost is June 8!

Can you read aloud in a language other than English? For our worship service on Sunday, June 8, in honor of the multilingual miracle of the Holy Spirit, we will read parts of Acts 2:1-21 in as many languages as possible. Let Pastor Casey know which language it is you can read (confidently!) in front of the congregation, and she'll divvy up the parts. Thanks! Gracias! Danke!