Communion Hymn: **Let Us Break Bread Together** **LBW 212**

***Post Communion Blessing** **p. 72**

***Prayer After Communion:**

Pastor: Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **C: Amen**.

***Blessing:**

Pastor: God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, + bless you now and forever **C: Amen.**

***Recessional Hymn:** **God Is Here** **WOV 719**

***Dismissal**

Pastor: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia ! **C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia !**

Please keep the following in your prayers:
Our Military Members Carolyn Pinos Emma Rosman Cheryl & Keith Sherbine

Today, Gary Mickle, authorized lay worship leader in the Allegheny Synod ELCA, will distribute the gifts of bread and wine.

Our next Social Hour will be on Sunday, June 7, following the church service. If you are interested in hosting (setting up and organizing) please let Sonny or Dan know. If you are interested in reimbursement for costs, save your receipts and give them to Dan. Thank you

Next Council meeting will be Monday, June 1st, at 6:30 pm.

Confirmation classes will begin in the fall. Please reach out to Dan Kerch with interest or questions.

If anyone in need of Pastoral care, please call the Allegheny Synod Office, at (814) 942-1042 to make needed arrangements.

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Worship Sunday at 9:00 am

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026

Communion Hospitality

Lutheran Christians believe Christ is truly present in his supper. By faith we receive his Body and Blood "in, with, and under" the forms: of bread and wine for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. All baptized Christians who desire to receive Jesus in his sacrament, are welcome to commune.

Sanctuary candles is in honor of Tom & Beck Canavan's Anniversary. Tall and small candles are in honor of Tom & Becky Canavan's Anniversary.

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel, Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

THE HOLY COMMUNION
Setting I

Parish Announcements
Prelude
***= Stand** *(The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)*
***Announcements:**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen. **C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

Pastor: Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb! **C: Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.
Silence is kept for reflection. Please kneel as you are able.

Pastor: Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you. **C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**
Pastor: Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you. **C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**
Pastor: Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you. **C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**
Pastor: Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever. **Amen**

***Entrance Hymn:** **Bind Us Together** **WOV 748**

***Pastor:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

***Kyrie** **p. 57**

Hymn of Praise **This is the Feast of Victory for Our God** **p. 60**

***Prayer of the Day:** **Pastor:** The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14 L: The word of the Lord **C: Thanks be to God**

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 **(Read Responsively)**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11 L: The word of the Lord **C: Thanks be to God**

The Holy Gospel: John 17:1-11 **C: Glory to You O Lord** **C: Praise to You, O Christ**

Sermon

***Hymn of the Day** **Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise** **WOV 801**

***Nicene Creed** **p. 64**

***Prayers of the Church**

Pastor: Merciful God **C: Receive our prayer**

***Passing of Peace** **Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**
The minister and congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord; and then be seated.

Offering ***The offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.***

***Offertory** **"Let the Vineyards"** **p. 66**

***Offertory Prayer**

Pastor: O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and win, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. **C: Amen.**

Liturgy of Holy Communion

***Great Thanksgiving and Sanctus** **p. 68**

* When our congregation gathered for worship, we heard again the story of God's mighty acts and of the love shown to us in Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and ascension, and we shared in the holy meal of the Lord's Supper. Now, I bring to you this same word of life, and this same bread and cup of blessing, so that we may share in these gifts and be strengthened in communion with all the people of God.

Gathered at the Lord's Table, we celebrated with thanksgiving that in the night in which Jesus was betrayed, he 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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me". This is the supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, and this meal is shared with the assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of the Holy Spirit. This bread and cup, shared in the gathering of our faith, are now given here for you.

***The Lord's Prayer**

***Invitation to Communion:**

Pastor: Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

***Agnes Dei** **"Lamb of God"** **p. 72**
As bread and wine is given, these words are said to each communicant:
"The body of Christ, given for you.' & 'The blood of Christ, shed for you.'
After each, the communicant may say: 'Amen.'

Distribution of Communion