

Word of God Lutheran Church
Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission:
With God's help we are called to be a
multi-generational traditional church, grounded in
the Bible and focused on service in the community
and mission outreach.

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2024

ORDER OF SERVICE
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Advent • Christmas • Epiphany • Lent • **Easter** • Pentecost
Please refer to the green Lutheran Book of Worship hymnal for service.

ENTRANCE RITE

Announcements

Prelude

Call to worship chime

* Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness LBW 77

* Entrance Hymn **"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"** WOV 747

* Greeting and Kyrie LBW 78

* Hymn of Praise "This Is the Feast" LBW 81

* The Lord be with you LBW 82

* Prayer of the Day

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

First Reading Acts 1:12-26

Psalms (*Read Responsively*) Psalm 1

Second Reading 1 John 5:9-15

* Alleluia Verse LBW 83

* Gospel John 17:11b-19

Children's Sermon

Sermon

* Hymn of the Day **"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"** LBW 158

* Apostles' Creed LBW 85

* Prayers LBW 85

* Share the Peace LBW 86

SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL

Offering

Offertory LBW 86

* Offertory Prayer LBW 87

* Great Thanksgiving LBW 88

* Holy, Holy, Holy LBW 89

* Words of Institution LBW 90

* The Lord's Prayer LBW 91

"Lamb of God" LBW 92

† Communion *Hymns are listed on the screen*

* Blessing LBW 92

* Canticle "Thank the Lord" LBW 92

* Prayer, Blessing, Dismissal LBW 94

* Closing Hymn **"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"** WOV 723

* Sending

* Please stand as able

† All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.*

Acts 1:12-26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. ¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the Book of Psalms, "'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and "'Let another take his office.'" ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Psalm 1

1 Blessed is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

**2 but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he meditates day and night.**

3 He is like a tree planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

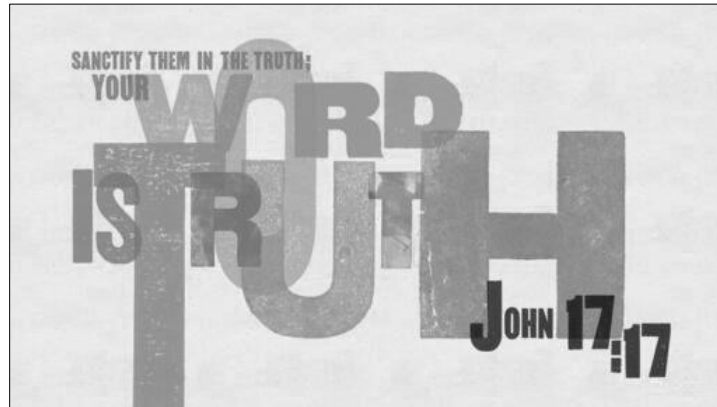
**4 The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**6 for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

1 John 5:9-15

9 If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. 10 Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. 11 And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. 13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. 14 And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. 15 And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.



John 17:11b-19

^{11b} [Jesus said:] “Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹² While 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. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I 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. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you are physically unable to come to the altar, **communion** will be brought to you at your seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- **Service Committee meeting**, May 16 at 7:00 PM in the fellowship hall. Please contact Mike Lennon at mjlennon@gablind.com with questions.
- **Fish STIX Recital** Tuesday, May 14, at 7:00 PM outside, weather permitting. All are invited to attend and show their support to the group as they perform the various songs they have learned. Hope to see you there!
- *Coweta Pregnancy Services* **Annual Baby Bottle Fund** Drive begins today, May 12. Please pick up an empty bottle from the narthex and fill with your loose coin. The filled bottles will be collected on Father's Day, June 16.
- The deadline to return **Scholarship applications** is May 15. Applications are on the WoG website and in the narthex. Please contact Bonnie Kent or Emily Nadeau.
- **Fish STIX** will be collecting **cookbooks** for the *NALC Disaster Response* as their VBS service project. Cookbooks will be collected until June 1. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Griffin at jbgriffinrn@gmail.com.
- **K-5th Grade VBS** this summer, Monday, June 10 to Friday, June 14, from 9:00 AM to noon. Pre-Schoolers welcome with a parent accompanying the preschooler. Please use the following link to register <https://vbsmate.com/events/WOGLUTHERAN/28434>.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, May 8 at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be Thursday, May 16, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at suegburnett@att.net for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, June 12 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, May 15 (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, May 16 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at ltcbowler@gmail.com or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the **weekly announcement submission** deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous **Monday** at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to woglutheran@gmail.com.*

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