

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 5

June 9, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

AS WE GATHER

In the face of a world seeming to be falling apart, and maybe even your personal “world,” God’s Word has great and convincing comfort and hope for you this day. That hope, however, begins with knowing the real cause of our troubles. It is our sin and alienation from God that is at the root of all anger, frustration, bitterness, and death. We easily “lose heart” when all seems hopeless for us. The center and substance of hope in God is Jesus Christ whose resurrection from all that is darkness and death to us is the means and strength of faith to endure and stand firm through all that troubles us. For “if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you” (Romans 8:11). Far from being merely a blind hope for future deliverance, believing in the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come far outweighs everything and anything that can happen to us now. Living in this hope, we do not lose heart.

PRESERVICE “The Word Is So Near” -Michael Card

HYMN “Thy Strong Word” *LSB* 578

1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee,
While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation,
Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;
Bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory,
And our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

4 From the cross Thy wisdom shining
Breaketh forth in conqu’ring might;
From the cross forever beameth
All Thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias,
Alleluias without end!

△ 6 God the Father, light-creator,
To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the holy Trinity!

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 124:8; 130:3–5*

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities,

People: O Lord, who could stand?

Pastor: But with You there is forgiveness,

People: that You may be feared.

Pastor: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,

People: and in His word I hope.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: From God's own Word we understand it is our sin that is the root of our troubles, doubt, fears, and death. For this reason, God's own Son became our Savior, taking the sin of the world upon Himself and paying our debt with His own death on the cross. All who have been baptized in His name have died with Him and live in the forgiveness of sins. Let us therefore implore Him for His forgiveness and life.

People: O Lord, I confess to You that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and deeds by my own fault. For the sake of Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, forgive all my sins and restore to me the hope of Your eternal salvation.

Pastor: God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN “O Christ, You Walked the Road” LSB 424

1 O Christ, You walked the road
Our wand’ring feet must go.
You faced with us temptation’s pow’r
And fought our ancient foe.

2 No bread of earth alone
Can fill our hung’ring hearts.
Lord, help us seek Your living Word,
The food Your grace imparts.

3 No blinding sign we ask,
No wonder from above.
Lord, help us place our trust alone
In Your unswerving love.

4 When lures of easy gain
With promise brightly shine,
Lord, help us seek Your kingdom first;
Our wills with Yours align.

5 O Christ, You walked the road
Our wand’ring feet must go.
Stay with us through temptation’s hour
To fight our ancient foe.

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KYRIE LSB p. 168

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE “Gloria in Excelsis” LSB p. 170

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Genesis 3:8–15* (The first promise of a Savior from sin) They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.” The Lord God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalm 130; antiphon: v. 7*

Leader: O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.

People: Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

Leader: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.

People: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in His word I hope;

Leader: my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

People: O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.

Leader: And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Leader: O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption.

EPISTLE 2 *Corinthians 4:13–5:1* (Therefore we do not lose heart.) Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we also believe, and so we also speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

VERSE *Psalm 127:1a*

Pastor: Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Alleluia, alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 3:20–35* (Jesus accused by His family and teachers of the Law)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Then [Jesus] went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, “He is out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “by the prince of demons he casts out the demons.” And he called them to him and said to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house. Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.” And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you.” And he answered them, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” *LSB 720*

- 1 We walk by faith and not by sight,
 No gracious words we hear
From Him who spoke as none e’er spoke,
 But we believe Him near.
- 2 We may not touch His hands and side,
 Nor follow where He trod;
But in His promise we rejoice
 And cry “My Lord and God!”
- 3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
 And may our faith abound
To call on You when You are near
 And seek where You are found.
- 4 For You, O resurrected Lord,
 Are found in means divine:
Beneath the water and the Word,
 Beneath the bread and wine.

5 Lord, when our life of faith is done,
In realms of clearer light
We may behold You as You are,
With full and endless sight.
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SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING "That's What Faith Must Be" -Michael Card

We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you enter the sanctuary, or as the offering plates are passed at this time.

PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

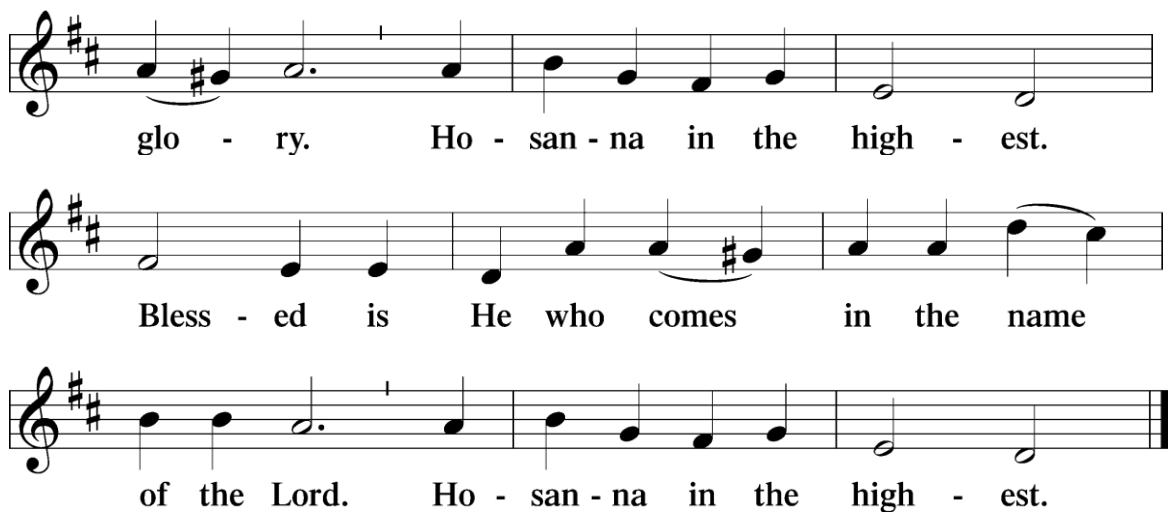
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who endured all our afflictions and sin and death on the cross, rising in victory over death to open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: 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 \times 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 \times blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

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.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of
God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

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You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Communion is offered in two ways: the individual cup and the common cup. If you would like the individual cup, please partake as the assistant minister passes by after Pastor gives the bread. If you would like the common cup, let the assistant minister pass by, open your hands palm up, and Pastor will return to give you the common cup.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" *LSB* 702

1 My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine.
Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!

2 May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart;
 My zeal inspire!
As Thou hast died for me,
Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
 A living fire!

3 While life's dark maze I tread
And griefs around me spread,
 Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
 From Thee aside.

4 When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream
 Shall o'er me roll,
Blest Savior, then, in love,
Fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
 A ransomed soul!
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“Lead Me, Guide Me” *LSB* 721
ref Lead me, guide me, along the way;
For if You lead me, I cannot stray.
 Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need Thy strength and pow'r
To help me over my weakest hour.
 Help me through the darkness Thy face to see.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me. Refrain

2 Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
 I am putting all my trust in Thee.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me. Refrain

3 I am lost if You take Your hand from me,
I am blind without Thy light to see.
 Lord, always let me Thy servant be.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me. Refrain

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“You Are the Way; through You Alone” *LSB* 526

1 You are the way; through You alone
 Can we the Father find;
In You, O Christ, has God revealed
 His heart and will and mind.

2 You are the truth; Your Word alone
 True wisdom can impart;
You only can inform the mind
 And purify the heart.

3 You are the life; the empty tomb
 Proclaims Your conqu’ring arm,
And those who put their trust in You
 Not death nor hell shall harm.

4 You are the way, the truth, the life;
 Grant us that way to know,
That truth to keep, that life to win
 Whose joys eternal flow.

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BLESSING

Pastor: May our Lord’s body and blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to life everlasting. Depart in peace and with joy.

People: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son’s body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

HYMN “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” *LSB* 922

1 Go, My children, with My blessing,
 Never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you;
 You are My own.

 In My love’s baptismal river
 I have made you Mine forever.

Go, My children, with My blessing—
 You are My own.

2 Go, My children, sins forgiven,
 At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
 What I can cure.
 Here you heard My dear Son's story;
 Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
Go, My children, sins forgiven,
 At peace and pure.

3 Go, My children, fed and nourished,
 Closer to Me;
Grow in love and love by serving,
 Joyful and free.
 Here My Spirit's power filled you;
 Here His tender comfort stilled you.
Go, My children, fed and nourished,
 Joyful and free.

4 I the Lord will bless and keep you
 And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you
 And give you peace:
 I the Lord will be your Father,
 Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you
 And give you peace.

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POSTLUDE "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" arr. Paul and Betsy Hanson

Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish, Series B, Quarter 3.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Worship 9:30 a.m.

GENEROSITY THOUGHTS: *Mark 3:35 – "Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."* Doing the will of God starts with trusting in His Son, Jesus Christ. Once we have faith in Him and have been reborn as new creatures through Holy Baptism, we strive to grow in this faith and in a life that agrees with our faith. Growing in generosity, in kindness and in love across our callings in the home, in church and in society is growing into the family of God, for all who do His will are His brothers and sisters and mothers.

LENORE HARTMANN DOCUMENTARY: I, Jeena Gurung Vomhof decided to make a documentary last May to honor Late Grandma Lenore Hartmann who was the first person who introduced me to Jesus and Emmaus Lutheran Church. This documentary will impact many people because it shares a message of how one person's love, guidance and support can influence the lives of so many. To complete this documentary, I am requesting your financial support to complete the filmmaking. You can write a check or mail any donation at 2776 Irene Circle, Roseville MN 55113 or find me on Go Fund me at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/honoring-grandma-lenore-support-graces-gift-documentary>. If you have any questions, feel free to call me, Jeena,

directly. If you believe, like I do, in the power and importance of this message please share with any friends or family who you believe would be willing to help.

YOUTH GROUP: We are looking to start laying the framework for a circuit youth group that meets in the summer for worship, service, fellowship, and fun. The hope is to bless our youth with meaningful opportunities to serve, worship, grow, and have Christian fellowship with others their age and with their pastor. The first event will be on Tuesday, June 18. It will consist of a small worship service in the morning, serving at Feed My Starving Children, a pizza lunch, and then 90 minutes at Zero Gravity, where the youth can jump on all the courses and have access to the aerial course and Laser Tag. We'll end back at Emmaus with a small worship service to wrap up the day. The cost will be \$10, and it will include a pizza lunch from Dominos with pop. If you are interested, please let Pastor Kooi know by June 11.

HEAR "THE LUTHERAN HOUR" on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week's broadcast: "Water Power" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God's mission is like water. Without changing what it is, the Good News of God's Kingdom takes the shape of its cultural container, crossing boundaries and barriers. (Acts 16:5)

THIS WEEK AT EMMAUS:

Today: 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Mon: 11 a.m. Sylvia Malsam funeral

Tues: Limited office hours

6 p.m. Spiritual Life Meeting

7 p.m. Council Meeting

Wed: Bulletin Deadline for June 16th and 23rd bulletins

10 a.m. Bible Study

6 p.m. Confirmation Class

Thurs: 4-9 p.m. Quilting Queens (SH)

Fri: Office closed – call Pastor in emergencies

Sat: 12-5 p.m. Organist Rehearsal

Next Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship & Quilt Display

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

SERVING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY:

PASTOR: Rev. Nick Kooi

ALTAR GUILD: Jean G

MUSIC LEADER: Paul H

SOUND TECH: Marilyn P

VIDEO TECH: Simeon N

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COUNTERS: Jenny H, Eric R

LECTOR: Janet G

GREETER: Renata B

ACOLYTE: Hannah K