

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 9, 2021 – 8:30 a.m. Service

Gathering Song: ELW 377 “Alleluia! Jesus is Risen”

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ,
let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We thank you, risen Christ,
for these waters where you make us new,**

leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.
We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us

**in the grace-filled waters of rebirth,
like rains to our thirsting earth,**

like streams that revive our souls,
like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

**Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.
Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.**

Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.
Make us one, risen Christ.

**Cleanse our hearts.
Shower us with life.**

To you be given all praise,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God,
now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading: Psalm 98

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

²**O LORD, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴**Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;**

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶**With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.**

⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸**Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.**

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

Gospel Reading: John 15:1-8

[Jesus said:] ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

Sermon

Prayers of the People

Pastor will begin a time of prayer. You are invited to add petitions to this time of prayer. You may end your petition: “Lord in your mercy.” The congregation will respond: “Hear our prayer.”

The Lord’s Prayer and Communion

Sending Hymn: “Roll the Rock”

Benediction and Dismissal

***After the service, we kindly ask that you take this bulletin home with you,
to help curb the spread of COVID-19.***