

#### Welcome to Worship at Breckenridge Lutheran Church

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

If you are interested in membership, would like to receive our monthly newsletter or a visit from our Pastor, please indicate it on the attendance pads located at each entrance.

If you are unable to stand, feel free to stay seated throughout the service. Please ask an usher if you need assistance with a hymn book, a pew cushion or anything else. A Nursery is available in the church basement.

If you are unable to join us in person, please feel free to join us on Facebook: facebook.com/blcbreckenridge/

#### **Our Mission:**

*Learning* to be disciples and to make disciples, *Reaching* out to witness and support our community, *Welcoming* all to worship and serve Jesus Christ!

> 301 6th St N, Breckenridge, MN 218-643-4892 www.brecklutheran.org

Church Office Hours—Mon-Thur 9am - 3pm Pastor Tulu's Office Hours: - Tues-Fri 9-5 The Building is Open: Mon 9-3 Tues-Fri 9-5 Sunday 8-11:30am





# May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

#### Prelude

Kay Nelson

#### Welcome

Special Music Come, Receive God's Blessing Breckenridge Lutheran Choir featuring Elise Klindt on Flute

**Confession & Forgiveness** (*ELW p. 94—Please stand as you are able.*)

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### C: Amen.

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

- C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
- C: Amen.

Gathering Song

Baptized in Water

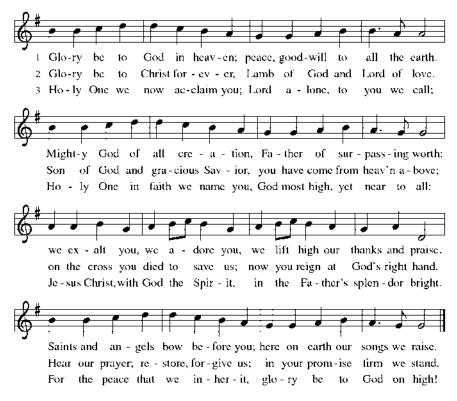
ELW #456

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**Kyrie** 



### **Canticle of Praise**



#### Prayer of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## First Reading—Acts 10:44-48

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup>for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup>"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" <sup>48</sup>So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

L: The word of the Lord.

#### C: Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 98 (Read responsively)

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

# <sup>2</sup>O LORD, you have made known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

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

# <sup>4</sup>Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

<sup>5</sup>Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

# <sup>6</sup>With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

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

# <sup>8</sup>Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

### Second Reading—1 John 5:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup>for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? <sup>6</sup>This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

L: The word of the Lord.

### C: Thanks be to God.

### Gospel—John 15:9-17

- L: The holy gospel according to John.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] <sup>9</sup>"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup>"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I 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. <sup>16</sup>You 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. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Pastor Ale Tulu

Hymn of the Day

Sermon

ELW #742

#### What a friend we have in Jesus

Apostles' Creed (ELW p. 206)

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Blessing of Lutheran World Relief Quilts

- L: Gracious God, as we place our hands on these Quilts, Personal Care and School Kits, we join giver and receiver, recognizing the unity of all your people in the body of Christ.
- C: We celebrate being the children of God.
- L: We give thanks for the variety of gifts that compose these Quilts and Kits.
- C: We celebrate generosity.
- L: We give thanks for the fellowship of all who work together to make the Quilts and Kits, the laughter, the shared stories, the joy of crafting something with one's hands and heart for another and the time to reflect and wonder about the recipient.
- C: We celebrate the community.

L: We send these Quilts and Kits as a sign of God's love and blessing for each person who receives one, trusting that it will be a source of comfort and hope in the midst of disaster and fear, a symbol of Christ's love to those who suffer, a reminder that each recipient is a beloved child of God. We pray that these Quilts and Kits will serve a useful purpose in the life of the recipient; that they will bring warmth in the cold, shelter from the sun and heat, a wall for a home, or a carrier for a few precious belongs. May it be a step in recovering one's life and a message of care from someone they may never meet.

#### C: We celebrate hope in the midst of life's trials.

L: We ask that you bless the fruits of our labor and the whole mission of Lutheran World Relief, that together we may minister to our neighbors in need. Bless all who give and all who receive, as we are sewn together in the unity of your Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C: Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer (ELW p. 208)

C: 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.

Breckenridge Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$4,850 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

#### Offertory

#### Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW #186

Welcome to Holy Communion today at Breckenridge Lutheran Church! We practice open Communion if you believe Christ is truly present in this sacrament and take communion in your home church we invite you to our table.

#### Words of Institution

#### The Song

We share this food together, rememb'ring Christ; We share a common treasure and know the price; We share it without measure, a gift of love; We share our life forever, with God above.

#### **Distribution of Communion**

#### **Distribution Hymns:**

#### Beautiful Savior—ELW #838 Jesus Loves Me!—ELW #595

#### Post Communion Prayer

L: Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

# Announcements

Sending Song

Benediction

### Postlude

ELW #629

Kay Nelson



Joyce Aarons Diane Belseth Deb Berndt Mary Ann Birnbaum Darlene Bontjes Mary Ann Conrad Alice Ellsworth Jane Fick

Evie Fox Rene Hasbargen Connie Jensen Marilyn Johnson Dell Krueger Virginia Lankow Janice Michels Teresa Pearson Dorothy Rakow Krystal Schaible Pat Swanson Sunny Tulu Cindie Van Tassel Carol Wood Geri Young

The Breckenridge Lutheran Quilters would like to thank everyone who donated quilting supplies or monetary support. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

#### We Thank Our Servants In Worship

Greeters & Ushers: Brianne & Allie Evans Tyler Kent Family

> *Lector:* Jessica Matz

> *Coffee:* Heidi Arnhalt





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Offerings (4/24-4/30)	
Envelope	\$1,912.25
Electronic	\$389.00
Total	\$2,301.25

# **PRAYER** list

We pray for those who are ill, who are seeking a diagnosis and/or treatment plan, and those recovering at home:			
Karen Carlson	Joyce Prosser- Perez		
Bill Coppin	Patti Sokness		
Randy Marohl	Kaden Vlasak		
James Motis			
We pray for those homes, assisted and their caretak sense your care, love:	living facilities ers. Let them		
Lloyd & Judy Andeen	Marjorie Ehlers		
Claudia Andel	Mary Jean Muehler		
Becky Baumgartner	Shirley Nordahl		
Betty Brummond	Lois Thykeson		
Dennis Cobb	Lavonne Viken		
For those who are grieving, especially the family and friends of Kirsten Olson (Heidi Genereux's			

Please note: In an effort to update and keep our prayer list more current, we will remove all names from this list on the 1st of each month. Please contact the office if you would like any name(s) to remain on the list.



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