

Greater Things

John 14:12-14

Sunday, May 7, 2023

5th Sunday of Easter

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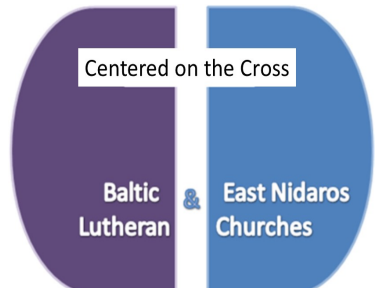
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Worship Plan for Sunday, May 7, 2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter

LBW Holy Communion Setting Two

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SENIOR RECOGNITION

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 77)

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

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage 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

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN *God's Word Is Our Great Heritage* (LBW 239)

GREETING (LBW p. 78)

KYRIE (LBW p. 78)

HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 79)

This is the feast.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. . . .

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Acts 7:55-60

⁵⁵Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶“Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” ⁵⁷But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

²**Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.**

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

⁴**Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.**

⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O God of truth.

¹⁵**My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me.

JESUS LOVES ME AND CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

VERSE (LBW p. 83)

GOSPEL: John 14:1-14

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.”

⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” ⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON-*Believing and Greater Works*

HYMN OF THE DAY *Here I Am, Lord (WOV 752)*

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

OFFERING HYMN *Alleluia, Alleluia Give Thanks* WOV 671 Verses 1-3

OFFERTORY PRAYER

DIALOGUE (LBW p. 87)

PREFACE (LBW p. 88)

SANCTUS (LBW p. 89)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS WHO CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND HIS PRESENCE IN THE BREAD AND WINE ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION HYMNS

***1-LAMB OF GOD* (LBW p. 92)**

***2-Bind Us Together* WOV 748**

***3-Great is Thy Faithfulness* WOV 771**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (LBW p. 92)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (LBW p. 94)

BLESSING (LBW p. 94)

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.

Amen

SENDING HYMN

***Go, My Children, with My Blessing* WOV 721**

DISMISSAL (LBW p. 94)

Go in peace and serve your neighbor.

Yes we will. Thanks be to God.

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Tanya Vollan - Paul Romsdahl
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FRIENDS & FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

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Laurel Mader -Friend of Pastor & Kim Questad
The Neff Family—Friends of the Pickett Family
Tracy Van Dam—Mother-in-law of Danielle Goldammer
Brenda Wade Schmidt—Friend of the Community
Deb Bender– Cousin of Charlotte Hasvold

Our Response to God's Love

Baltic: Apr 30: Attendance ; 108 General Fund \$1870.00 Noisy Can \$66.68

East: Apr 30: Attendance: 33; General Fund \$5722.00 Noisy Can \$16.79 Building Fund \$93.00

MAY NOISY CAN

Baltic: Northern Rim Youth
East: Baltic Veterans Memorial

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAIL BOX REMINDER

Please remember to check your church mailbox when attending service as we place things in your mailboxes periodically. Thank you.

Baltic is looking for Communion Servers for the Sunday Services in the month of July and September. Please sign up on the form posted on the bulletin board. Thank you.

East Nidaros is looking to fill the **Secretary** position, and **one Trustee**. If you would like to volunteer please call Connie Karl at 608-386-8139.

MEMORIAL DAY DINNER

Monday, May 29, 2023

East Nidaros Parish

10:45am Color guard

11:00am Memorial Day program

11:30am Lunch is served FREE WILL OFFERING

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Baltic	9:00 Worship and livestreamed on Facebook @ BalticLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	10:30 Worship and livestreamed on Facebook @ EastNidarosLutheranChurch

Things Happening Week of May 7th

Tue May 9	6pm BLC Council Meeting 6pm EN Council Meeting 7pm Joint Council Meeting @ East Nidaros
Wed May 10	6:30-7:30pm Food Bank Open

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Baltic	9:00 Worship and Live streamed on Facebook @ BalticLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	10:30 Worship

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

<u>Baltic</u>	<u>East Nidaros</u>
May 7 Joann Moan & Ruth Lee & 21 Kari & Chuck Radack	May 7 Keith & Paula Harvey & 14 Dustin & Elizabeth Stoel
<u>Baltic</u> May 28 Gaila Schreurs & Jun 4 Tracy & Cameron Kerkhove	<u>East Nidaros</u> May 21 Mark Brobjorg & 28 Rosalie Riswold-Brende