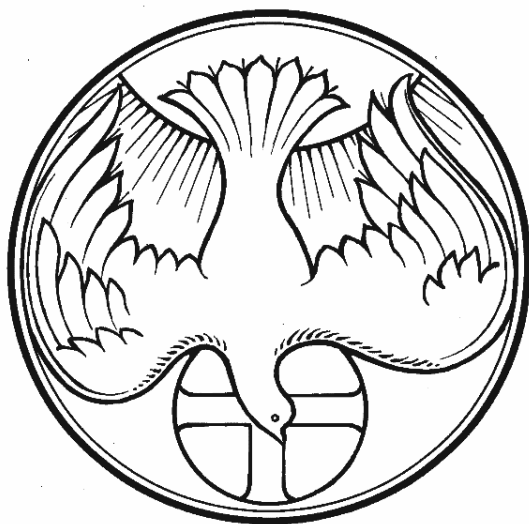


Cantate

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025



**But be doers of the word,
and not hearers only,
deceiving yourselves.**

(James 1:22 ESV)

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Welcome to the Divine Service where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

The Lord's Supper is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

Jesus Promises to Send His Holy Spirit, the Helper

Though Jesus has departed from us visibly to the right hand of the Father who sent Him, yet this is to our advantage. For Jesus—who is Lord over all creation, who intercedes for us before the Father, who is preparing a place for us in heaven—has sent the Helper, the Spirit of Truth (John 16:5–15). *“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights”* through Jesus Christ (James 1:17). The Holy Spirit helps us by taking what is Christ's and declaring it to us. In the Word of truth, the Spirit works repentance and delivers to us the forgiveness of sins, the righteousness of Christ, and victory over the devil. For the ruler of this world is judged and defeated by the cross. Through the ministry of the Holy Spirit, we have been brought forth to new life in Him who is the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. Confident of our resurrection with Christ we confess, *“Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid”* (Is. 12:2).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by the Tiro family in thanksgiving for Tristana's birthday and in thanksgiving for her acceptance into the United States Military Academy.

Mite Collection this morning!

Voters' Assembly! The regular bi-annual Voters' Meeting is scheduled for today following the Divine Service. The children's Sunday School classes will meet as usual. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting. The primary item of discussion will be the upcoming year's budget. The monthly Fellowship Lunch will follow the meeting. If you are not able to be physically present, you may dial in via Webex by using the call-in information emailed to members yesterday. **Note: If you did not get an email with the Webex information, please contact the church to provide your email address or another method of contact.**

Men's Bible and Brews will meet May 31 at 4:30 p.m. at the Brad Lowery home. Please see Discord for further information.

Calendar change: next Sunday, May 25, Adult Bible Class and Sunday School will meet as usual at 11:15 a.m.

The annual Young Adult (18 +) Galveston Retreat will be on May 30, 31, June 1. (June 1 will be only those who want to stay for church at Saint John.) This year's theme is "All Things New." Everyone will meet at Saint John Lutheran on Galveston Island and spend the night lock-in style. There will be Bible study, prayer, games, activities around the island, and much more. There is no cost to attend the retreat and meals are included. Speakers include: Vicar Hendrickson from Memorial Lutheran Houston, Pastor Cholak from Our Savior Lutheran Houston, and Pastor Taylor from Saint John Lutheran Galveston. If you would like to attend, please fill out the form found at <https://osl.breezechms.com/form/8e192127>. You will then receive an email confirmation and an agenda of events.

As you plan your summer activities, please keep in mind Vacation Bible School at Faith Plano. VBS will be June 16 – 20 from 9:00 - 12:00 each

day. Preschool - 6th grade students are invited to attend. Please prayerfully consider volunteering to help. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with VBS, please contact Mina McDonald at mmcdonald1219@gmail.com.

Others talk, we have something to say... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: The Promotion of "Rogue" Seminaries in the LCMS, The Movie "Thunderbolts," A Christian's Joyful Countenance, The Biblical Foundation for the Nicene Creed and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS

1 Timothy 2:5-6 – "For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all." To be ransomed is to be bought back, to be purchased. We belong to God, not only because He created us, but now doubly so because we are ransomed. We belong to God: that's the beginning of thankfulness and generosity.

UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS

SUNDAY	<i>Cantate, The Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>
<i>05/18/25</i>	9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:15 AM – Sunday School 11:15 AM – Voters' Meeting 12:30 PM – Fellowship Lunch
TUESDAY	9:30 AM – Women's Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	6:15 PM – Youth Catechesis
THURSDAY	10:30 AM – Men's Bible Study
FRIDAY	9:30 AM – Matins 10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution
SUNDAY	<i>Rogate, The Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>
<i>05/25/25</i>	9:30 AM – Divine Service 11:15 AM – Sunday School/Bible Class

PRAYERS

- Those in our congregation who are homebound: Judy Michels, Melanie Obenhaus, Vicky Cantrell, Dony Reaves, Connie Kimber.
- Birthdays celebrated this week: Tristana Tiro, Jake Johnson, Roberta Lowery, Lance Dorrell, Cathy Miksch.
- Graduates: from High School: Chloe Hackbart, Kaylee Kosteff, Jocelyn Reif, Tristana Tiro, Jenna Warren.
- Ron Lane, who is struggling with heart issues.
- Amanda Needham, Rachel Rojas, and Mariah Scholz for protection of mother and child in pregnancy.
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues:
Dony Reaves, Connie Kimber, Doug Drawe, Deanna, Dana Evans, Jill, Kristina Wishmeyer, Brandon Rhodes, Georgette Walker, Gaye, JE Purcell, Gene Obenhaus, Alissa Ulmer
- Those struggling with other ongoing needs:
Frank and Antonia, Matt, Michael, Greg.

Assisting in the Divine Service Today:

Elder – James Rose

Altar: Gail Sellers

Music: Rebekah Roundey

5/11/25 General Fund Offerings received: \$6,032.00

Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$98.00

Weekly budget needed: \$4,642.80;

Budget year to date: **surplus: \$1,511.32**

Calendar year to date: **surplus: \$1,969.45**