

resurrection **REALity**

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

RESURRECTION REALITY: THE RISEN SAVIOR PROVIDES GOOD SHEPHERDING

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551 Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep

CW 551



1 Je - sus, shep - herd of the sheep, who your
2 In your prom - ise firm we stand, none can
3 By your blood our souls were bought, by your
4 Fa - ther, draw us to your Son; we with
5 We, in robes of glo - ry dressed, join th'_as -



Fa - ther's flock does keep, safe we wake and
take us from your hand; speak— we hear— at
life sal - va - tion wrought; by your light our
joy will fol - low on till the work of
sem - bly of the blest, gath - ered to e -



safe we sleep, guard - ed still by you.
your com - mand, we will fol - low you.
feet are taught, Lord, to fol - low you.
grace is done, there to live with you.
ter - nal rest in the fold with you.

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Stand

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Confession

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

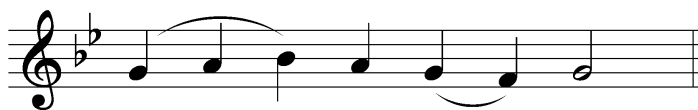
M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

M: 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.



Lord, have mer - cy.

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



Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

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Glory to God in the Highest

CW 176 (p.4-6 in bulletin)



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his



peo - ple on earth. Lord God,



heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



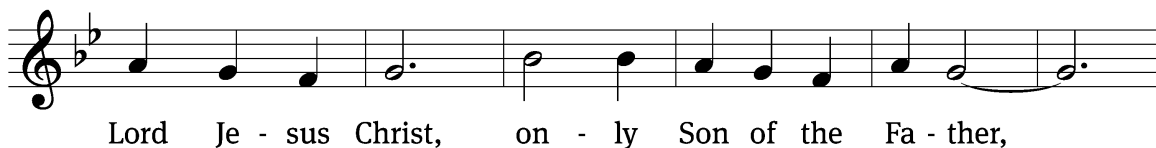
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your



glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



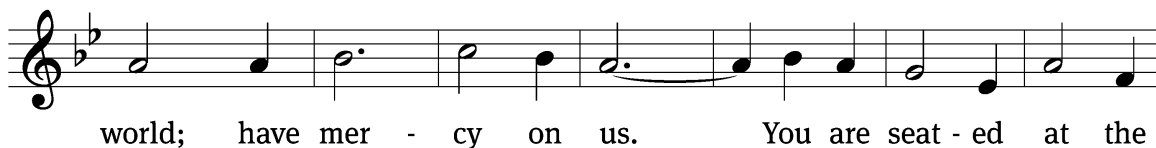
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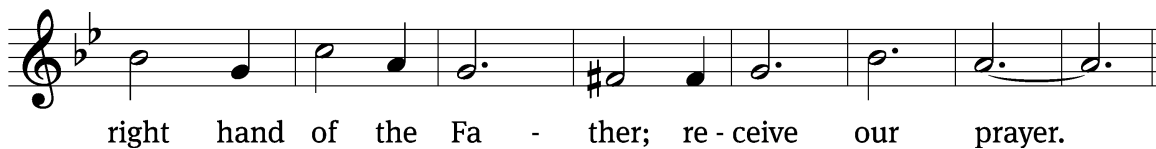
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



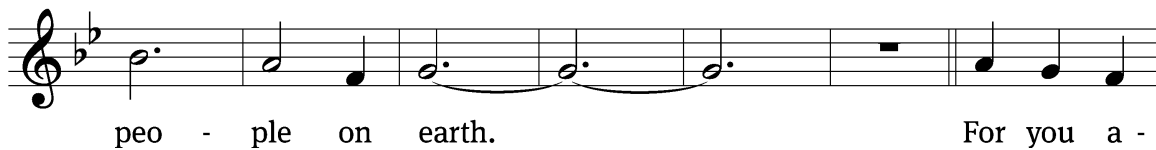
world; have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the



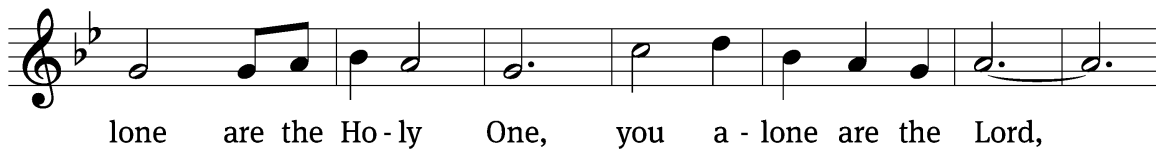
right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his



peo - ple on earth. For you a -



lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his

peo - ple on earth.

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The Word

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray. O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Be seated

First Reading

Acts 20:28–32

“Always keep watch over yourselves and over the whole flock in which the Holy Spirit has placed you as overseers, to shepherd the church of God, which he purchased with his own blood. I know that after my departure savage wolves, who will not spare the flock, will come in among you. Even from your own group men will rise up, twisting the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. Therefore be always on the alert! Remember that for three years, night and day, I never stopped warning each one of you with tears. “And now I entrust you to God and to the word of his grace, which has power to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



23F My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

(only in bulletin on p.8-9)



1 My shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je -
2 When I walk through the shades of death, his
3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at -



ho - vah is his name; in pas - tures fresh he
pres - ence is my stay; one word of his sup -
tend me all my days; oh, may his house be



makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.
port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.
my a - bode and all my work be praise.



He brings my wan - d'ring spir - it back when
His hand, in sight of all my foes, will
There would I find a set - tled rest while



I for - sake his ways and leads me, for his
still my ta - ble spread; my cup with bless - ings
oth - ers go and come, no more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
o - ver - flows; his oil a - noints my head.
or a guest but like a child at home.

Text: Isaac Watts, alt. Tune: Southern Harmony, 1835, ed. William Walker Text and tune: Public domain

Second Reading

1 John 4:1-6

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see if they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit who confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, and every spirit who does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard is coming and is already in the world. You are from God, dear children, and you have overcome the false prophets, because the one in you is greater than the one in the world. They are from the world. That is why they speak from a worldly perspective and the world listens to them. We are from God. The one who knows God listens to us, but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. That is how we can distinguish between the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

✿ THE GOOD ✿
shepherd
✿ LAYS DOWN ✿
his life
✿ FOR THE ✿
sheep

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:14



Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Refrain

I am the good shep - herd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me.

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Gospel

John 10:11–18

“I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired man, who is not a shepherd, does not own the sheep. He sees the wolf coming, leaves the sheep, and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the sheep and scatters them. Because he works for money, he does not care about the sheep. “I am the Good Shepherd. I know my sheep and my sheep know me (just as the Father knows me and I know the Father). And I lay down my life for the sheep. I also have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. Then there will be one flock and one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life so that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have the authority to lay it down, and I have the authority to take it up again. This is the commission I received from my Father.”

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

Be seated

552 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

CW 552



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with



good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 Sav - ior gent - ly leads me, and where the ver - dant
 yet in love he sought me and on his shoul - der
 you, dear Lord, be - side me, your rod and staff my



I am his, and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feeds me.
 gent - ly laid and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, your cross be - fore to guide me.

- 5 You spread a table in my sight,
 a banquet here bestowing;
 your oil of welcome, my delight;
 my cup is overflowing!
- 6 And so through all the length of days
 your goodness fails me never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise
 within your house forever!

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877, alt. Tune: Irish, 18th cent. Text and tune: Public domain

“Distinguished by Looking for the Truth”

Stand

Apostles' Creed

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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

M: Loving Shepherd of the sheep, fill us with contentment and confidence during this season as we celebrate your Easter victory. You laid down your life for the sheep and then rose again to assure us that you give us eternal life.

C: Good Shepherd, save us.

M: Strengthen our faith to follow where you lead, to the green pastures of your Word, the quiet waters of our baptism, and the gracious table of your body and blood where our cup overflows with your forgiving love. Guide us to find in you the gate that leads to safety and good pastures.

C: Good Shepherd, lead us.

M: Guard and protect us from those who want to lead us astray and snatch us out of your hand. Give us courage to fight against the devil and wisdom to recognize false teachers. Lead us to honor and follow those you have called to shepherd your flock, the Church.

C: Good Shepherd, guide us.

M: Let your rod and your staff comfort us and all your sheep in times of sickness and sadness and especially when we walk through the valley of the shadow of death. May we find in your redemption and your Father's resolve the unbreakable promise that we will dwell in your house forever.

C: Good Shepherd, console us.

M: Move us to reach out to sheep who are not yet a part of our sheep pen but whom you have claimed as your own. Give us your passion to search for the sheep who are lost and lead us to rejoice when they have been found.

Good Shepherd, inspire us.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

M: We thank you for all the blessings we have gained from your goodness: family and friends, wealth and health, work and leisure. Give us wisdom to long for and cherish your more precious gifts, your Word and sacraments, so that your goodness and love may follow us all the days of our life.

C: Good Shepherd, hear us. Amen.

Be seated

Offering

During the offering, the organist/pianist will play offertory music and ushers will collect our offerings by passing an offering plate. Feel free to continue to offer your gifts to the LORD online if you prefer. Our members consider it a joy to support our ministry at Trinity so that we can offer the gospel here. If you are a guest with us this morning, please do not feel you have to give a gift.

Stand

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

804 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

CW 804



1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb; ev - er glad at
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
3 Who so hap - py as I am, e - ven now the



heart I am, for my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,



knows my need and well pro - vides me, loves me ev - 'ry
in - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; when I thirst, he
by his an - gel host at - tend - ed, he shall fold me



day the same, e - ven calls me by my name.
bids me go where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
to his breast, there with - in his arms to rest.

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Announcements

Ushers this week: Gary Hansen, Steve Umphrey, Jsaon Kruschel

Ushers next week: Brett Lyzenga, Garry Hargrove, Jr., Larry Kurth

Worship Preview: Next week we will continue our Easter celebration as we continue in the worship series, “Resurrection Reality”. Many people ask what is real in this life and we can even question it from time to time. Throughout the Easter season we will see that the Resurrection is real and we will see the huge difference it makes in our lives. Next Sunday we will focus on “We Will Overcome this Broken World.” The Resurrection proves that Jesus has overcome the world and also gives us the confident hope that one day God will bring us to a far better place. Next Sunday will also be a communion Sunday.

Sunday School: Sunday School will continue next Sunday at 9:00 am. The Sunday School will look at the “Jesus Ascends into Heaven.”

Adult Bible Study: Adult Bible Study will continue next Sunday at 9:00 am as we look at different parts of the catechism.

Door Offering: A freewill door offering will be collected this Sunday and next Sunday, May 5. This door offering will go towards the gift for two teachers who are retiring at the end of this school year from Michigan Lutheran High School. Mr. Ron Briney and Mr. John Eggert will be retiring and have each given over 40 years of faithful service to Michigan Lutheran High School. The money gathered here will be joined together with all the other association churches to be given as a gift. If you are willing and able, there is a basket in the back by the doors to place the offering.

Quarterly Voters’ Meeting: We will have a quarterly voters’ meeting TODAY after the service.

Ascension Service: This year our join Ascension service will be held at St. Paul, South Haven on Thursday May 9 at 6:30 pm. There will be an ice cream social following the service. Please join us at St. Paul as we focus on the wonderful promises of the Ascension and what they mean for us and enjoy some opportunities for encouragement after the service.

Invitation: St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Sodus would like to invite you to help celebrate the retirement of Pastor Robert Duehlmeyer. He has been a faithful servant for 40 years (36 of which were in Sodus). There will be a special service at 10:00 am on Sunday June 16. They realize this is Father’s Day, but figured it was a great day to celebrate this milestone. There will be catered meal following worship. Please RSVP by Sunday June 2. There is no cost for anyone who would

like to join the celebration. If you wish to RSVP for this, it is requested that you tell Pastor Reis and he will forward the numbers to St. Paul's Sodus at the appropriate time.

Memory Book for Pastor Duehlmeier: St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Sodus has invited individuals and congregations to send their best wishes to Pastor Duehlmeier and his family. The program committee is putting together a memory book for Pastor Duehlmeier and his wife, Mary. You are invited to send any well wishes or memories to us to be incorporated into that book. You are welcome to email them to dwoilingmacd@hotmail.com or mail them to Margie Dowling, 2234 Meadowbrook Rd., Benton Harbor, 49022, by Friday May 31.

Area Call Update: Pastor Hernandez Daylo, Jr., campus pastor and Spanish teacher at Michigan Lutheran High School has received a call to be a theology teacher at Divine Savior Academy in Doral, Florida. Mr. Garrett Buch, teacher and interim principal at St. Paul, Stevensville, has received a call to be upper grades teacher at St. Luke, Oakfield, WI. St. Paul, Sodus has called Pastor Daniel Burgess. St. Paul, Stevensville has called Mrs. Teresa Dohm to be their Early Childhood Ministry Director and Mr. David Stoltz to be principal and 7-8 grade teacher. Grace, St. Joseph has called Mr. Guy Gast to be an upper grade departmentalized teacher. Grace, St. Joseph has a vacancy at pastor. St. Paul's, Stevensville has a vacancy at pastor. St. John's, Dowagiac will be vacant at pastor in June. Peace in Granger, IN is vacant at pastor and is in between calls. Please keep all of these called workers and all the ministries in our area which are affected by vacancies at various positions in your prayers.