



7th Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026



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Whether you are worshipping in the sanctuary or online, at any time in the course of the service, you are invited to light a candle signifying a concern, a desire for healing, a confession, or a prayer of thanksgiving that, though private, you would like to remember in the midst of our worship.

*Please speak aloud the bold portions of the liturgy in the bulletin.
The asterisk * is an invitation for worshipers to rise in body or spirit as able.*

GATHERING TOGETHER

PRELUDE

*Par un clair matin
Philippe Gaubert
public domain*

WELCOME

Erin Tolar

INTROIT

*I Am the Good Shepherd
Composed by Dale Wood
Augsburg Publishing House, 1969*

*I am the good shepherd:
I know my own sheep and they know me,
I am the good shepherd.*

*As the Lord knows me and I know the Lord
and I lay down my life for the sheep.
I am the good shepherd.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lighting the Candle
Word for Worship

Pre-K-5th Graders

*HYMN No. 275 vs. 1,2,4

A Mighty Fortress is our God

CALL TO CONFESSION

Beth Paskoff

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Generous God,
You gave yourself fully out of love for your creation.
You transformed this life,
lifting up what we called lowly and raising us all to new life.
We pray today for a re-orientation of heart.
In this world where self-interest is not just first
but often the only priority,
where projecting an image of being best is required,
where compassion is considered weakness,
we ask for your Spirit to set us right.**

A TIME OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

**God, gather us together and turn us all in your direction,
so that where you are looking, we might look,
what occupies your mind might occupy ours,
who you love, we might love.
We trust that you are already at work in us,
so now fulfill your purpose in and through us
that we may help reveal your grace and glory to the world.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

It is God who holds our lives, healing us when we are broken, and forgiving us when we do wrong. Our tongues have confessed, now let our hearts and lives reflect the One who humbled himself for us.
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Let us rejoice in love and service!**

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

*Hymn 248 - v1
sung through one time*

**Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.
In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.**

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON
Philippians 2:1-13

SERMON

Mamie Broadhurst

WE RESPOND WITH DEDICATION

*HYMN No. 258 vs 1,3,5

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

**Our Mother and Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING of GIFTS

*Reflect on your response to the work of Christ in the world today, and
consider making a commitment of time, talents, and resources.*

*If you choose to contribute to the work of Christ through UPC at this time,
on-line giving is available. See the announcements for more information.*

INVITATION

ANTHEM

I Will Bow and Be Simple

Frederick Chatfield

St. James Press, 2011

*I will bow and be simple, I will bow and be free,
I will bow and be humble, yea, bow like the willow tree.
I will bow, this is the token, I will wear the easy yoke,
I will bow and be broken, yea, I'll fall upon the rock*

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

TEACHER APPRECIATION

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Encouraging God,
Your passion for justice for the most vulnerable,
of hope for the despairing,
and of life abundant for every single one of us
is the model we seek to live and make real each day.
On this day we offer our gifts for others,
both within these walls and outside of them,
pledging to you our time, talent, and treasures.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*HYMN No. 727

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*CHARGE and BENEDECTION

God is...
everywhere!

POSTLUDE

Voluntary on "Unser Herrscher"

*Robert Lind
Paraclete Press, 2011*

*Many thanks to Kristin Savicki and Tom Shelton
who helped to live-stream the service today.*



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