

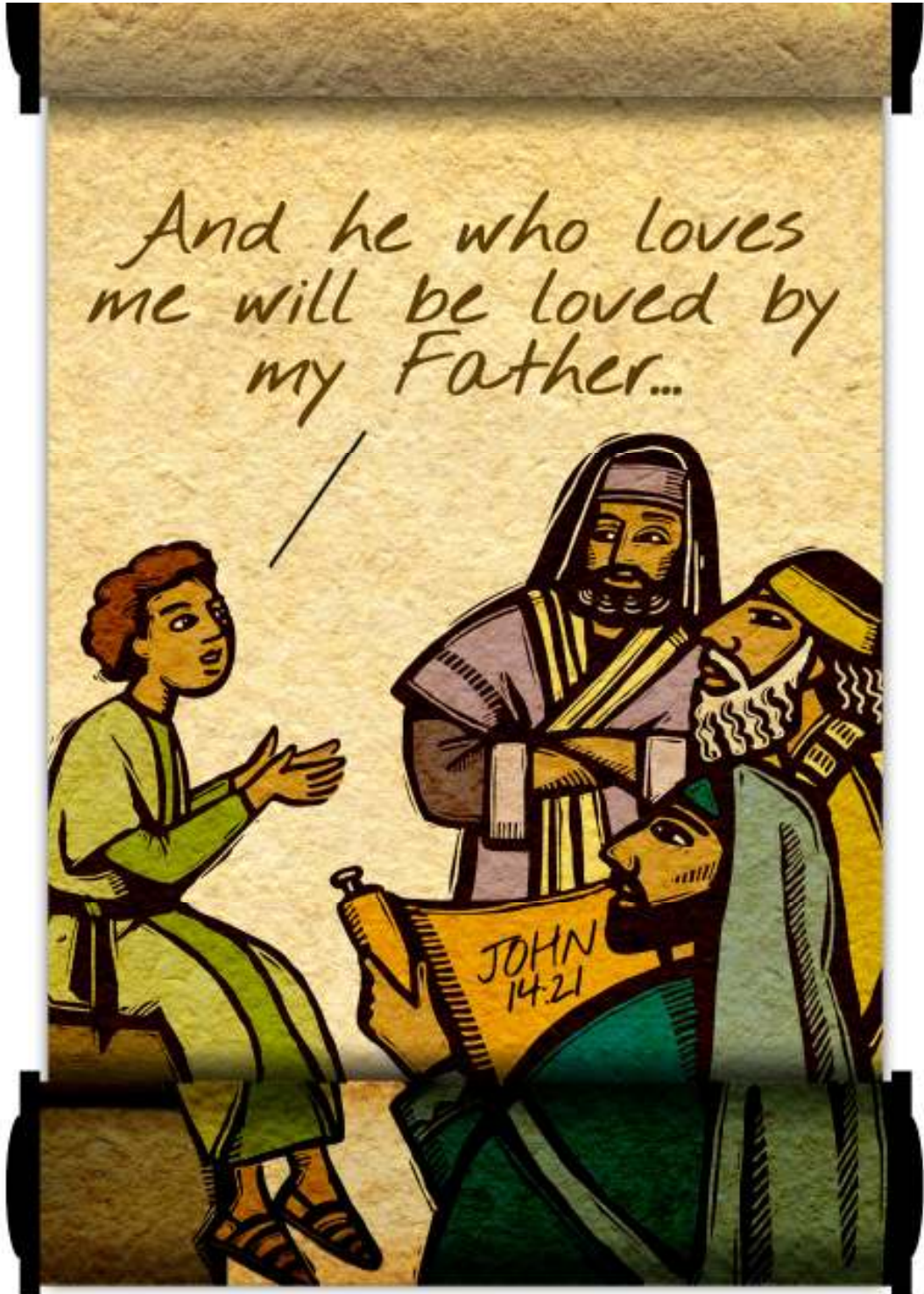
9:30 a.m. WORSHIP

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**May 21, 2017
SIXTH SUNDAY OF
EASTER**

All Are Welcome

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

All are invited and welcome to partake of the sacrament of Holy Communion by kneeling at the altar rail. Children are encouraged to come to receive the Lord's Blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (the smaller chalice), as well as wine, for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. The Assistant will hold both the wine and the juice and move from the center to the outside of the communion rail. Communion is continuous with kneeling. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered, as well.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Doug to contact you, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet.

Ministries for Today

Altar Assistant and Lector: 9:30 a.m. Joanne Hogan

Altar Guild: 9:30 a.m. Bonny Dery

Ushers: 9:30 a.m. Iann Buttermann, Elaine & Robert Dunkle, and Charlotte Wahlig

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Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 21, 2017

9:30 A.M. Worship - Setting 10

+ *Indicates Please Stand*

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ **ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins:

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen**

P 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.

C **Amen**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

P Gracious God,

C **Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

P 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**

+ **OPENING HYMN**

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

ELW 392

+ **GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

+ **KYRIE AND HYMN OF PRAISE**

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Now the Green Blade Rises



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Text: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872–1958

Music: French carol

Text © Oxford University Press

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+ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C **Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

FIRST READING: Acts 17:22–31

²²Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' ²⁹Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 66:8–20 (*Read responsively*)

⁸Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

⁹**Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.**

¹⁰For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.

¹¹**You brought us into the net; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

¹²You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

¹³**I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows—**

¹⁴those that I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

¹⁵**I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the smoke of rams; I will give you oxen and goats.**

¹⁶Come and listen, all you who believe, and I will tell you what God has done for me.

¹⁷**I called out to God with my mouth, and praised the Lord with my tongue.**

¹⁸If I had cherished evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me;

¹⁹**but in truth God has heard me and has attended to the sound of my prayer.**

²⁰Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld unfailing love from me.

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:13–22

¹³Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you — not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

+ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

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Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Holy Gospel according to: **John 14:15–21**

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples: ¹⁵If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

"Extremely Religious"

Rev. Dr. Douglas Wahlberg

Text: Lessons for the day

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Loving Spirit"

ELW 397

+ APOSTLES' CREED

**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**

+ **THE PRAYERS** (*You may come forward for prayer.*)

+ SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

(*Please greet one another as we share Christ's presence in our midst.*)

WE SHARE OUR GIFTS & TITHES

+ OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

+ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+ PROPER PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+ SANCTUS

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

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1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall
ring: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -
lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

Text: Bede, 673-735; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

+ **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

+ **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(Spoken)*

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

THE COMMUNION

P Taste and see that the Lord is good.

(Eucharist is celebrated by intinction, the dipping of bread into the wine or juice. All are welcome to partake of the sacrament.)

362 **At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing**

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–1868, alt.
Music: Bohemian Brethren, *Kirchengeseng*, 1566

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COMMUNION HYMN

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

ELW 781

+ **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

+ **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

Be Not Afraid

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Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia! *(Repeat)*

Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community
Music: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
Text and music © 1988 Les Presses de Taizé, admin. GIA Publications, Inc.

BE NOT AFRAID
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A Let us pray.

C **We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

+ **THE BLESSING**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C **Amen**

+ **SENDING HYMN** *"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"* **ELW 543**

+ **DISMISSAL**

A He is risen!

C **He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the Chancel this morning are given by Marty & Debbie Roddy in celebration of their 20th wedding anniversary.

A CALL FOR ACTION

Every week, Shepherd of the Glades will be collecting and donating canned and boxed food to help persons in need at St. Matthew's House, Grace Place, and Immokalee Friendship House. Suggested items are canned food of all kinds, powdered milk, peanut butter, jellies/jams, cereals, soups, rice, pasta, etc. Items need to be within code date and unopened. Just bring your donations to the Church and give to the ushers. All items are being delivered locally. The last delivery was to Immokalee Friendship House.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 4 is Pentecost Sunday. You are invited to read the Pentecost story (Acts 2:1-21) in your native language or a language other than English. This is a powerful worship experience. Let Pastor Doug or the office know if you can participate. Wear red! Readers will stand where they are and read; then end when English is done. Thank you!

SOTG MINNESOTA REUNION

The annual Shepherd of the Glades Minnesota Reunion will once again be held at Gabes by the Park, in St. Paul, MN, on Monday, August 7th at 1 PM. Gabes is located at 991 Lexington Parkway, just south of Como Park and about one and one-half miles north of the I-94/Lexington exit, at the corner of Lexington and Energy Park Drive. The 1 PM starting time should allow out-of-town and out-of-state folks to arrive on a timely basis. Pastor Doug and Lynn Wahlberg will be with us, and we will have our own private room for socializing and fellowship. Please RSVP to Chris & Dave Willits if you plan to attend. You may reach them by phone (763) 300-9482 or by email (cmwdww@msn.com). We look forward to seeing you at the MN Reunion.

SOUPS ON!

Due to the many requests for recipes for the delicious soups served at the Wednesday midweek Lenten services, we have decided to put them all into a simple booklet format. If you were one of the kind and generous people who made soup, we would love to include your recipe. Please, email it to Judy Kobs at - judykkobs@gmail.com – or bring it by the church office and give it to Lynn. A big thank you to all of the soup makers. We hope you will share your recipe.

This week at Shepherd of the Glades:

Office hours are: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Tuesday and Thursday. Lynn Dickerman is on vacation. Joanne Hogan will be in the office in her absence.

Today, Sunday, May 21, 2017, 9:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Doug; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Tuesday, May 23, 2017, 8:30 a.m. Landscaping crew

Sunday, May 28, 2017, Worship at 9:30 a.m. with Pastor Doug; 9:30 a.m. Last Sunday School for the summer

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