



LOVE
never
comes
to an
end.

1 Corinthians 13:8



OUR REDEEMER
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**“The Love We Receive is
the Love in Which we Live!”**

May 15, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday Worship: 9:30 am

Lord's Supper:

First Sunday of the Month

Wisconsin Synod

Welcome to All

The apostle John reminded the early church: “See the kind of love the Father has given us that we should be called children of God!” It is in that love, and because of that love we live in true fear and faithfulness before the Lord. It is also by that love we show our love in all we think, do, and say. Because we daily need to grow in this love, we pray, “Fill us with your love that we can be loving.”

The order of worship is printed in this folder. Hymns can be followed in Christian Worship, or on the screen. May God's richest blessings be with you as your worship him in love.

For Parents with Small Children

There are children's bulletins available for use during the worship service. Please pick one up as you enter. Restrooms and a video monitor are in the fellowship hall. Please go left and enter through the double doors on the adjacent building.

The Order of Worship

Pre-Service Music

We Gather in the Name of the Triune God

P: In the name of our Triune God: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Congregation sings

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
Christian Worship 341 st. 1

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark how the heav’nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

P: And I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels who were around the throne and around the living creatures and the elders. Their number was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands upon thousands. With a loud voice they were saying:

C: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing.

P: I also heard every creature that is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them saying:

C: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever

P: The four living creatures said, “Amen,” and the elders bowed down and worshiped.

Congregation sings

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
Christian Worship 341 st. 2

Crown him the Lord of love —behold his hands and side.
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wond’ring eye at mysteries so bright.

P: The LORD reigns. Let the peoples tremble. He is seated above the cherubim. Let the earth quake. The LORD is great in Zion. He is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your name, great and awesome. He is holy!

C: Exalt the LORD our God, and bow down before his holy mountain, because the LORD our God is holy.

P: Yet so often we have not exalted the Lord. We have rebelled again his rule. We have rejected his holy name. For this and all our sins, we bow before you, O Lord, and humbly seek your forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Congregation sings

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
Christian Worship 341 st. 3

Crown him the Lord of life who triumphed o’er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.

God’s Forgiveness Proclaimed

P: This is the message you have heard from the beginning: Love one another, and this is how we have come to know love: Jesus laid down his life for us (*1 John 3:11,16*). The Scriptures testify about God’s love in Jesus. He lived a perfect life for us. He died on the cross to pay for all our sins. He rose again to assure us of our rescue and life in heaven. 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.

Congregation sings

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
Christian Worship 341 st. 4

Crown him the Lord of heav'n, enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King to whom is giv'n
the wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns as thrones before him fall;
Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns for he is King of all.

Prayer for the Day

P: O gracious Lord, how can we ever thank you for your undeserved love. You sought us even though we sought you not. You reconciled us even though we had separated ourselves from you. You united us to yourself even though we were rebellious. In your great, undeserved compassion, keep us close to you. Defend us. Strengthen us. Renew us as we make our way through this life to eternal life. So fill us with your love in all we think, say and do, that your love is seen by all. At the end of our sojourn here on earth give us the joy to stand before you and praise you as our only true and Triune God—Father, Son and Spirit—the only God of full and boundless love.



C: A ——— men.

The Lessons from God's Word

"Love received is Love to Share!"

Power of the Resurrection

Acts 11:1-18

¹The apostles and brothers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God. ²When Peter went up to Jerusalem, those who insisted on circumcision criticized him, ³saying, "You went to visit men who were uncircumcised and ate with them!"

⁴So Peter began to explain everything to them, point by point. He said, ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision in which an object like a large sheet was let down from

heaven by its four corners. It came right to me. ⁶When I inspected it very carefully, I saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice telling me, ‘Get up, Peter! Kill and eat!’

⁸“But I replied, ‘Certainly not, Lord, for nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’

⁹“A voice spoke from heaven a second time: ‘What God has made clean, you must not continue to call unclean.’ ¹⁰This happened three times, and then everything was pulled up into heaven again.

¹¹“At that very moment, three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them without any hesitation. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. ¹³He told us how he saw an angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and call for Simon, the one called Peter. ¹⁴He will speak words to you by which you and all your household will be saved.’

¹⁵“As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came down on them, just as he came down on us at the beginning. ¹⁶Then I remembered how the Lord had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ ¹⁷So if God gave them the same gift as he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to try to stand in God’s way?”

¹⁸When they heard these things, they had no further objections, and they praised God, saying, “So then, God has granted repentance that results in life also to the Gentiles!”

Response by the Congregation

“Love in Christ is Strong”
Christian Worship 490 st. 1-3

Love in Christ is strong and living,
Binding faithful hearts in one;
Love in Christ is true and giving —
May his will in us be done!

Love is patient and forbearing,
Clothed in Christ’s humility,

Gentle, selfless, kind, and caring,
Reaching out in charity.

Love in Christ abides forever,
Fainting not when ills attend;
Love, forgiving and forgiven,
Shall endure until life's end.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 13:1–13

¹If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy and know all the mysteries and have all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away everything I own, and if I give up my body that I may be burned but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient. Love is kind. Love does not envy. It does not brag. It is not arrogant. ⁵It does not behave indecently. It is not selfish. It is not irritable. It does not keep a record of wrongs. ⁶It does not rejoice over unrighteousness but rejoices with the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never comes to an end. But if there are prophetic gifts, they will be done away with; if tongues, they will cease; if knowledge, it will be done away with. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part, ¹⁰but when that which is complete has come, that which is partial will be done away with. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put away childish things. ¹²Now we see indirectly using a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know in part, but then I will know fully, just as I was fully known.

¹³So now these three remain: faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.

Verse of the Day

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P: ⁷Dear friends, let us love one another, because love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸The one who does not love has not known God, because God is love. ⁹This is how God's love for us was revealed: God has sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we may live through him. ¹⁰This is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Dear friends, if God loved us so much, we also should love one another.

Alleluia



C: Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia!



These words are writ — ten that we may be—lieve that



Je—sus is the Christ, the Son — of God.



Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia!

Gospel

John 13:31–35

After Judas left, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man is glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify the Son in himself and will glorify him at once.”

³³“Dear children, I am going to be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

³⁴“A new commandment I give you: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, so also you are to love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

P: This is the Word of our God!



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day “The Love of Christ, Who Died for Me”
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Sermon *1 Corinthians 13:1-13*

Theme “Now, a Word about Love!”
What it is
What it does
What it promises

The Confession of Faith
(we unite in the words of the 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.**

Thanksgiving and Prayer

Prayer for the Church

Special Prayers and Requests

The 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!**

Hymn

“Love Divine, All Love Excelling”
Christian Worship 365

Closing Prayer

P: O gracious Lord and Savior, you are love and everything you have done, and continue to do, reveals that love. You lavished your love on us by giving up your life only to take it up again

when you rose from the grave. You keep us in your love as your rule over all things for our blessings. You guide us by your love in correcting us and reassuring us with your Word. Because you have richly blessed us through your love, continue to keep us in it. Make it our motivation to praise you and to serve others. Make it our joy throughout this life and our confidence of the life to come in heaven. It is because of your love we can look forward to that blessed life with you, your Father and the Spirit, and praise you throughout endless ages.



C: A — men.

The Benediction

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace; live in harmony with one another; serve the Lord in gladness.

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 his favor; and
give you peace.



C: A — men. A — men. A — men.

Closing Hymn

“Lord, You I Love with All My Heart”

Christian Worship 434 st. 1

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Today—*Welcome in our Savior’s name!* May the undeserved love of God the Father lead us to rejoice and live confidently in the reconciliation he has worked for us through Christ Jesus, his

Son. If you are visiting this morning, please sign the guest book. We also invite you to worship again, soon!

- Following the worship service, everyone is invited to enjoy some coffee, and the gift of fellowship. After you get a cup of coffee, return to the sanctuary for Bible Study. The study will look at the lesson from the Book of Acts and the changes which took place in the early Christian Church. It offers us a lesson about things which should change, may change, and should never change.

Wednesday—Bible Class at 7:00 pm.

Friday—Office hours from 10:00 am—2:30 pm.

Saturday—Cleaning: Proeber

- Mowing beginning May 15th—G. Grunewald

Sunday, May 22nd—Streaming and In Person Worship at 9:30 am. It must have been a challenge for John to describe what he saw as the Lord revealed a glimpse of heaven. How would you explain the perfect security, the perfect peace, and the perfect joy? As we consider John's record, we too may struggle, but we know because of Jesus' resurrection, we will inherit heaven and live in its perfect glory.

- The Lord's Supper will be offered in this service. You may register to receive the Sacrament today.
- Christian Education will follow the service and consider the promises Jesus gave his disciples before his crucifixion and death. These promises were to comfort and encourage them to serve faithfully. As we hear the same promises, we too can find comfort, joy, faithfulness, and courage.

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