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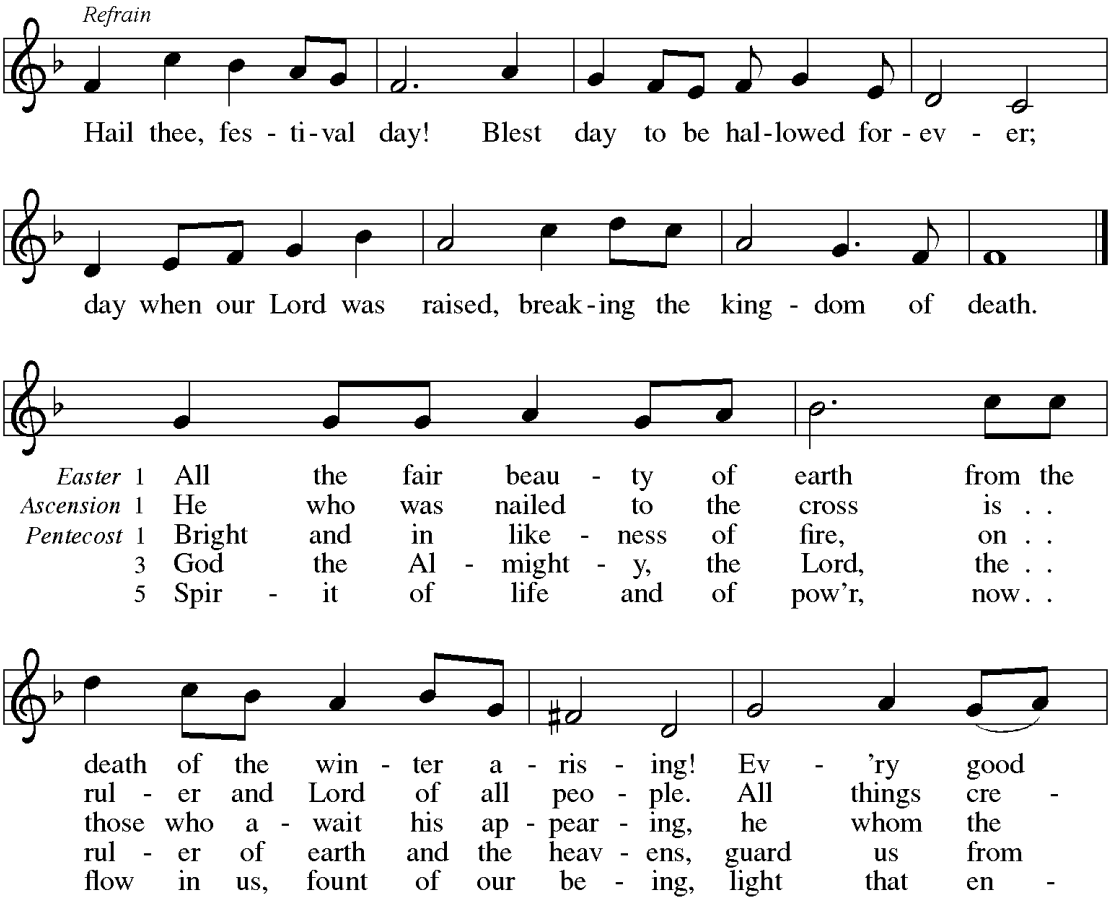
Day of Pentecost

May 24th, 2026

Prelude "*Amazing Grace*" arr for Piano solo by Dino Kartstonakis

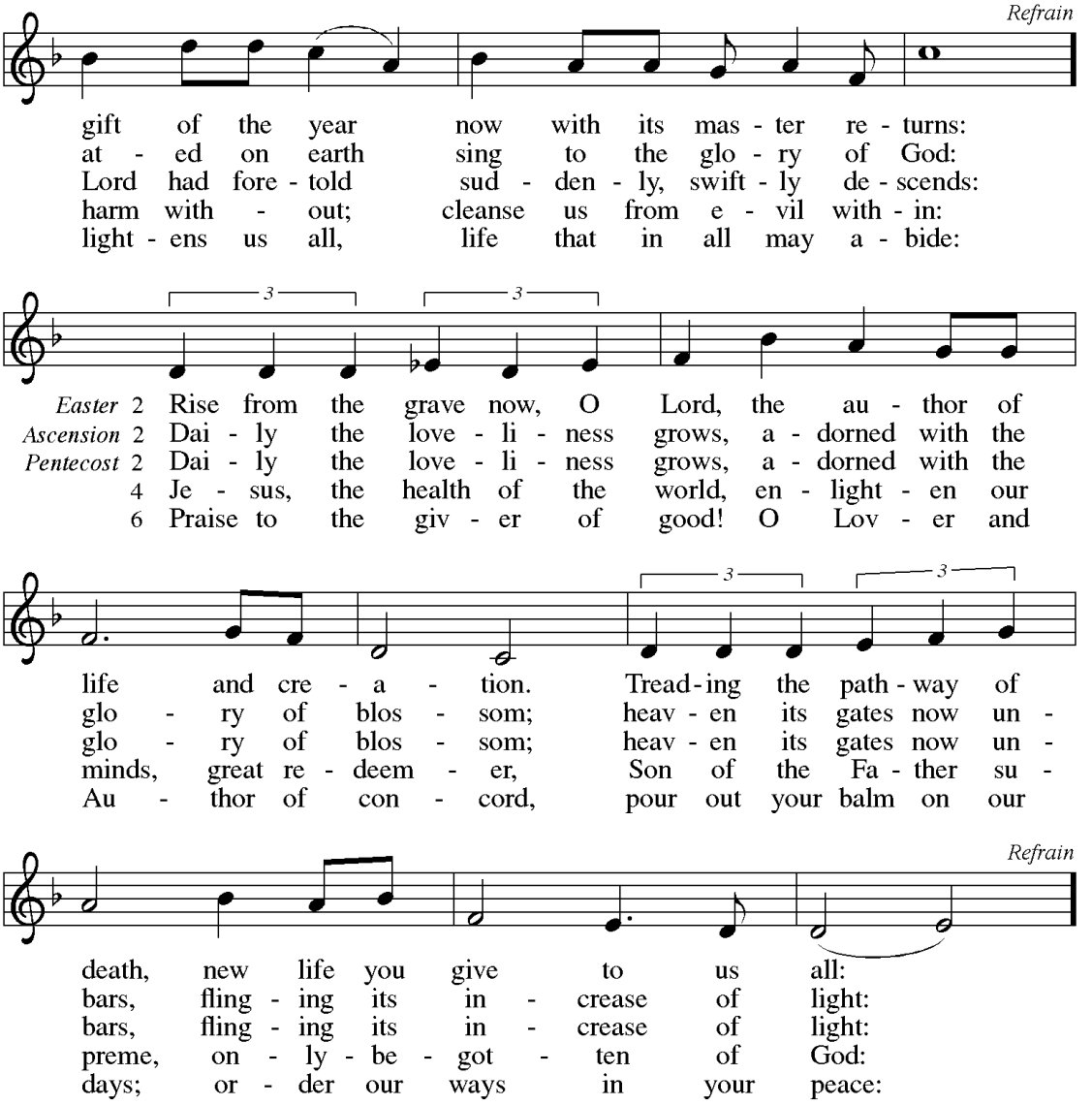
Welcome

Processional Hymn ELW #394 "*Hail Thee, Festival Day!*



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Processional Hymn con't — ELW #394 "*Hail Thee, Festival Day!*"



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.

Prayer of the Day

P: O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.



Hymn of Praise ELW #400 *"God Of Tempest, God Of Whirlwind"*



First Reading Acts 2:1-21

[1]When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one
place. [2]And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent
wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. [3]Divided tongues, as of
fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. [4]All of them
were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit
gave them ability.
[5]Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in
Jerusalem. [6]And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because
each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. [7]Amazed and
astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8]And how is
it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? [9]Parthians, Medes,
Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,
[10]Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and
visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, [11]Cretans and Arabs—in our own
languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." [12]All were
amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" [13]But
others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."
[14]But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them,
"Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to
what I say. [15]Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock
in the morning. [16]No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:
[17]'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
[18]Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

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First Reading con't… **Acts 2:1-21**

19 And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
20 The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Taize **"*Veni Sancte Spiritus*"**

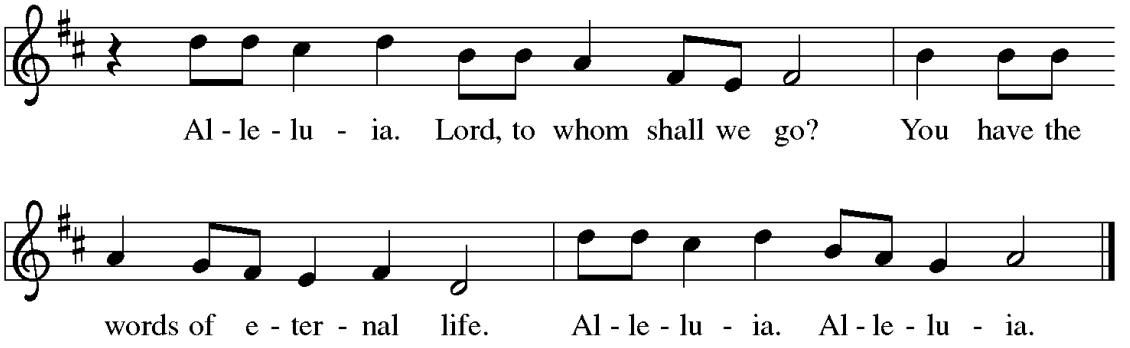


Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

[3b] No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.
[4] Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, [5] and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, [6] and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. [7] To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. [8] To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, [9] to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, [10] to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. [11] All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

[12] For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. [13] For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.
L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



P: The Holy Gospel according to St John.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel — John 20:19-23

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were
locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood
among them and said, "Peace be with you." 20 After he said this, he showed them
his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus
said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send
you." 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the
Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain
the sins of any, they are retained."

Gospel Acclamation (repeat acclamation)

Sermon — Rev. Nicholas Zook



Hymn of the Day — ELW #576 "*We All Are One In Mission*"

1 We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission
compels us from above
to plan and work together
that all may know Christ's love.

2 We all are called for service,
to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are diff'rent;
our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others
with God's surprising grace,
so ev'ry folk and nation
may feel God's warm embrace.

3 Now let us be united,
and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel
for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

Prayers of Intercession

A: We are united to Christ in his death and resurrection through our baptism. As members of his risen body, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

A: Let us pray to the Lord.
C: Hear us, risen Lord.

A: Holy God, you call forth your church by the gift of the Holy Spirit. Renew your church by your spirit that it may bear witness to your grace and love.
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, you raise up leaders in your church who preach salvation through the death and resurrection of Christ. Inspire us to go and tell this good news throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we pray for the resurrection of our world when Christ will rule and the establishment of your kingdom will bring an end to war, violence, injustice and death. Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, as Christ's presence in our community, you call us to love and serve our neighbors. Bless the ministries of Concordia Church and Concordia Place with the spirit of our risen Lord that your saving grace may fill the lives of all we serve. Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, you wipe away the tears of all who cry to you in distress. Bring healing to all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, and comfort those who struggle and seek your presence, especially [*pause for names*] and those whose names we speak silently or aloud [*pause for names*] ...Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, you have swallowed up death forever through the resurrection of your Son. Speak to those who mourn with the promise of new life in Christ with those they love. Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

P: Receive our prayers and hopes, and fill us with the risen life of Jesus Christ, your Son.
C: Amen.

The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: And also with you.

You are invited to share the sign of peace with others.

Offertory Anthem

"*Amazing Grace*" by John Newton
arr. by Jack Schrader.

We encourage you to use this time for reflection & gratitude as we prepare for communion.

The Offering

Thank you for supporting our ministries with our financial gifts. Scan the QR code to the left to easily make a one-time gift or establish a recurring gift. The offering plate is located in the back of church should you have physical offerings to give.

Offertory Hymn ELW #188 "*Create in Me a Clean Heart*"



Offertory Prayer

A: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist
The Great Thanksgiving

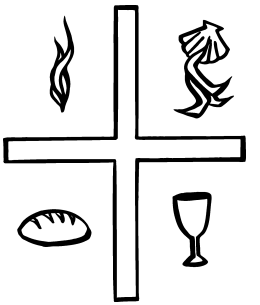
P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.

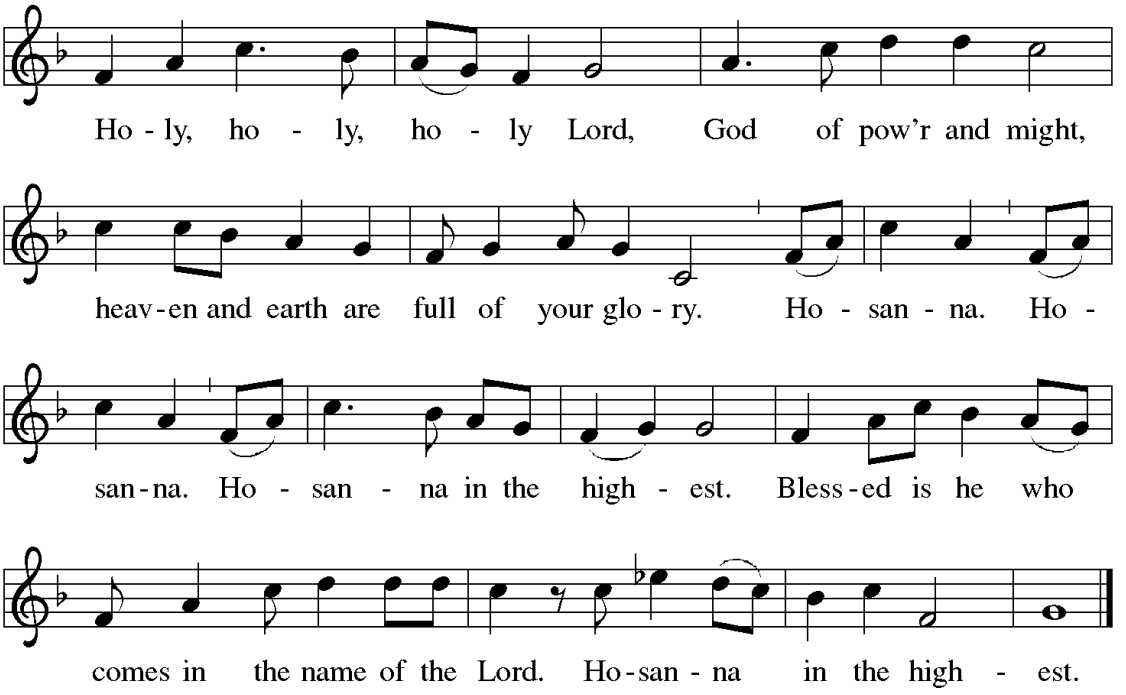
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

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



Sanctus



P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying;
'Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.'

P: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
'This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C:

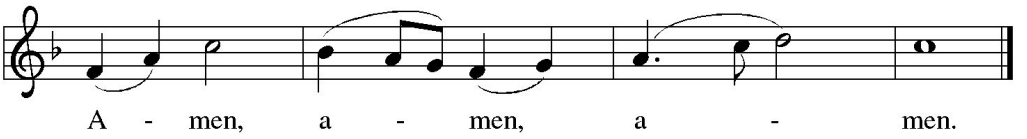


P: O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: We praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

C:



The Lord's Prayer

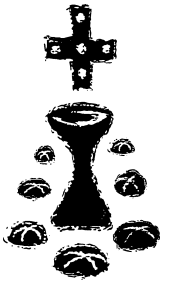
P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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,
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Communion Invitation

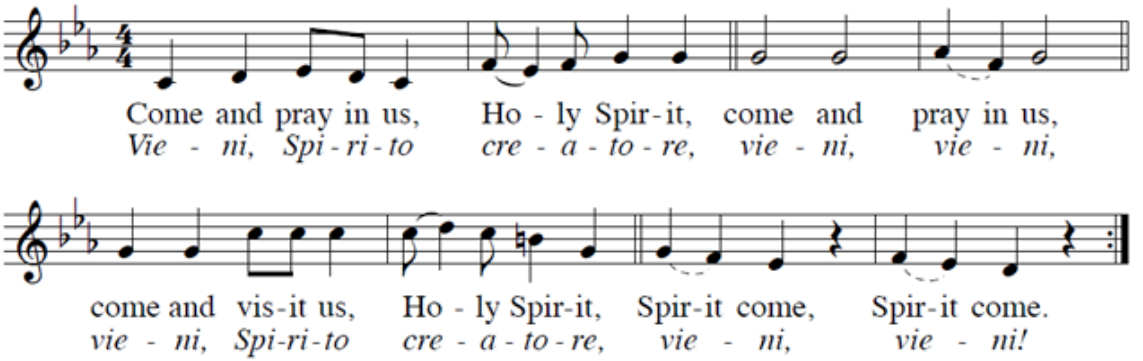
We invite all who are baptized in Christ to come forward for communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table. Parents of young children are asked to let the pastor know if they want their child to receive communion or a blessing.

Communion is served by continuous table around the altar, and you are asked to take a place as openings appear.



Communion Hymn

"Come and Pray in Us"



Post Communion Blessing

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

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Pour out upon us your Holy Spirit and send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn ELW #582 "*Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling*"



Announcements

Dismissal

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son (+), and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

A: Go in peace. Remember your baptism.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Moderato on *"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"* by Paul Fey

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Today's celebrants:

Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Zook
Deacon: Kim Baratta
Lectors: Paul Dykstra (Hebrew), Guenter Seidel (German), Roberta Terchi Nocentini (Italian), Marisa Mladenovic (Serbian), Kunying Li (Chinese), Linda Storbeck (English)
Greeter: John DeCorah
Soloists: Marisa Buchheit, Katherine Dalin, Benjamin Burney, Avery Sujkowski
Choir: Bates McIntyre, Maggie Larson, Dan Lantvit, Kungying Li, Mary-Ann Lupa, Betsy Ries, Wilma Stevens, Linda Storbeck
Organist & Choir Director: Paul Dykstra

Announcements

With a deep sense of loss, we share the unfortunate news of the death of Shih-Liang Fine who died unexpectedly at home last Saturday. **Funeral Service for Shih-Liang Shirley Fine will be on Saturday, May 30th** at Concordia Church. Visitation at 10 AM, Service at 11 AM

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6th Annual Concordia Cup Golf Event

Concordia Place hosts its annual golf event on June 15th at River Forest Country Club. Golfers are wanted! If you are interested in playing, or are interested in sponsoring the golf tournament, pick up a flyer in the back of the sanctuary for more information.

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Important Dates To Note

May 24th: Afternoon recital with Matt Flanagan & Paul Dykstra at 2pm

May 30th: Memorial Service for **Shih-Liang Shirley Fine**

May 31st: Council Meeting at 11am

June 7th: Annual Meeting of the Church

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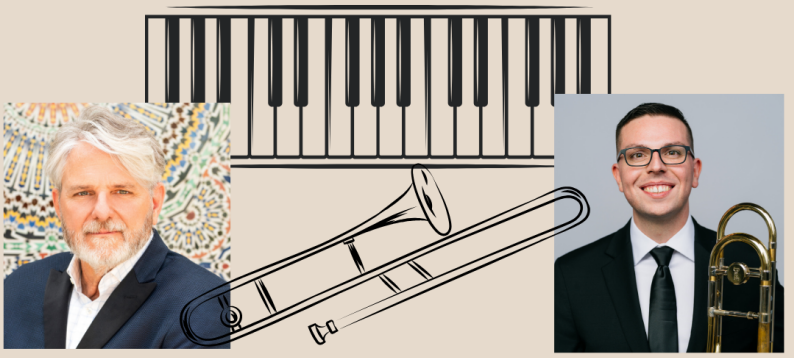
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Restrooms are located in the fellowship hall; exit the sanctuary through the back and follow the stairwell downstairs.

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Offertory Hymn

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ELW #188 "*Create in Me a Clean Heart*"

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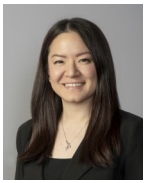
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