

Good Soil Lutheran Ministries
Growing Together in Christ to Love and Serve



Sixth Sunday of Easter
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9:30 am



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Welcome

We welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us. Our unity is in Christ.

For Parents with Children

Good Soil loves kids and the "holy noise" they bring! Your children are warmly welcome in worship. Sing, pray, and respond; your children will learn by worshiping with you. There's also a "prayground" area in the back of the sanctuary and a nursery/cry room behind that on the back left side. We pray that worshiping together as a family is a meaningful experience!

For Those Needing Hearing Assistance

Ask an usher about hearing assistance devices to enhance your worship experience.

Holy Communion

Christ is truly present with us in worship and through this meal. All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion here at Good Soil. Children may commune with elements or receive a blessing depending on parent/guardian preference. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request.

Bulletin Key

Bold Font – Spoken by the Congregation
Regular Font – Spoken by the Pastor or Worship Assistant
† – Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Visions abound in the readings for the sixth Sunday of Easter. Revelation offers a vision of the river of life flowing through the City of God. Jesus provides visions of peace that surpasses human understanding and power beyond human imagination.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude and Welcome

*In the
Thanksgiving for
Baptism, we
recall how God
has joined us to
Christ through
baptism and
clothes us with
mercy and
forgiveness.*

*The
thanksgiving
praises God for
all of God's
saving actions
through water
and the word,
praying and
trusting that this
assembly will be
renewed by the
Holy Spirit in
forgiveness,
grace, and love.*

*This
Thanksgiving for
Baptism rite is
adapted from
Evangelical
Lutheran
Worship
supplement, All
Creation Sings*

† Thanksgiving for Baptism and Water in Creation

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of ✠ the One
who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,
and called to live the baptized life,
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that make us your own,
that restore to wholeness,
that empower us to be witnesses in your name.

Waters that strengthen your disciples,
give new life to the servants of your church;
waters that extend your boundless love
across barriers of our own making.

Waters that open hearts,
and give a voice to the voiceless;
waters that set your people on a new path,
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.

Grant us grace and new life, O Living God,
that our very lives are shaped by these waters and shaped by you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
Amen.

† Gathering Hymn: Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise (ELW 834)
v. 1, 2, 3

- 1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!
- 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824-1908, alt.

*The assembly and
presiding minister
greet each other
(scripture ref.
2 Corinthians)*

† Greeting

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

† Hymn of Praise (Refrain, v. 1, and Refrain)

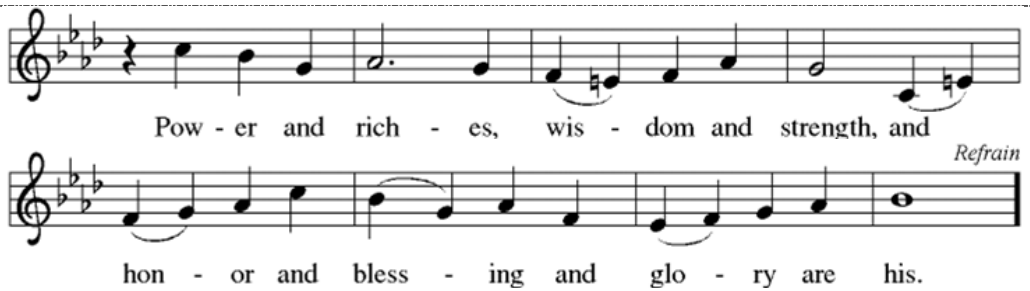
Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

I Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



The Prayer of the Day highlights themes in the scripture we will hear.

† Prayer of the Day

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Throughout the Season of Easter, our first reading comes from the book of Acts—tracing the development of the early church after Jesus' resurrection.

The Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

New Testament Reading: Revelation 21:10, 22-25, 22:1-5

To put this reading into context:

John's vision of a new Jerusalem coming out of heaven provides continuity with God's past actions. Yet in this new city, God's presence replaces the temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb supplants sun and moon.

Hear now the reading.

¹⁰ And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

²² I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³ And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵ Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there.

¹ Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright

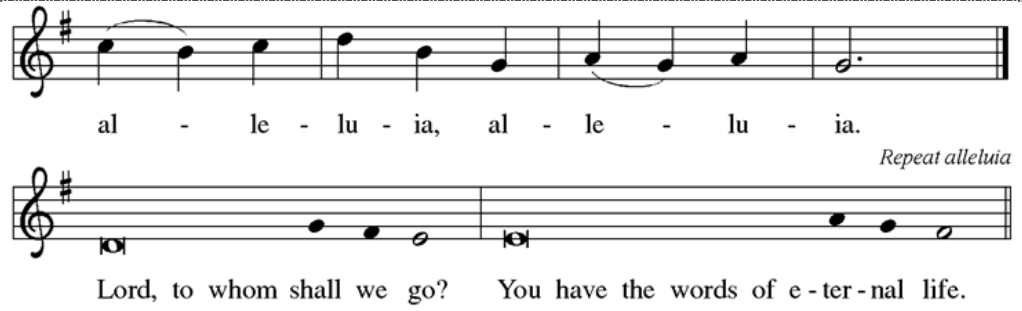
Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

The first system of the musical score is written on a single five-line staff. It begins with a treble clef, followed by a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of a descending eighth-note scale: B-flat4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. This is followed by a whole note D3, which is marked with a fermata. The system concludes with a double bar line.

⁷May God | give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe.

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

Christ being revealed to us in the Living Word of the Gospel.



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Before and after the reading of the Gospel, we give thanks and praise to Jesus Christ, who is revealed to us through the Gospel reading.

† Gospel Reading: John 14:23-29

To put this reading into context:

As Jesus talks of returning to the Father, he promises to send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will teach Jesus' followers and remind them of all that Jesus taught. Even more, those in whom God makes a home will experience a peace that overcomes fear.

The holy Gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.


²³ Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot)], "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur you may believe."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

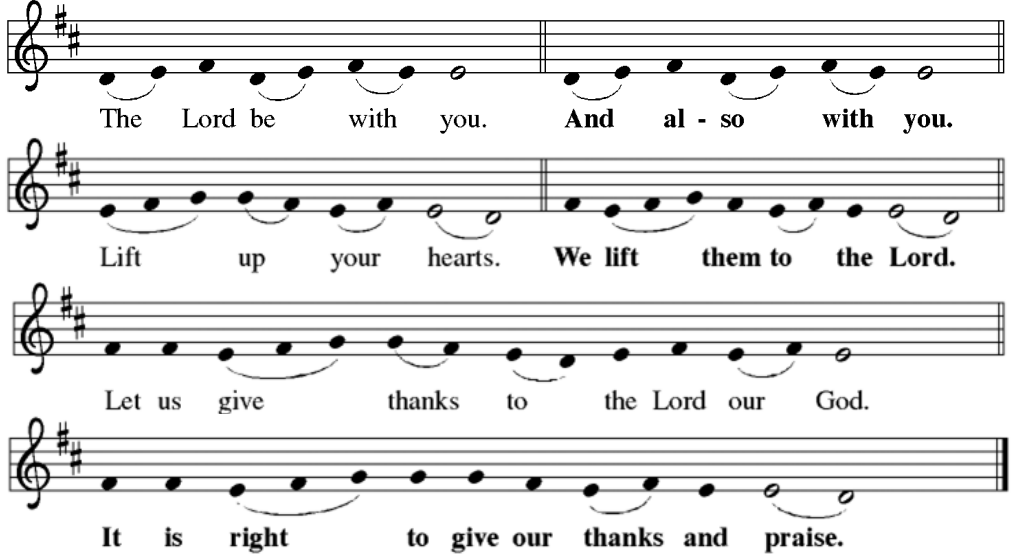
	<p>Children’s Sermon</p> <p><i>Children grade 4 and younger are invited to step out with our Sunday School teachers for a “Learn and Grow in Faith” class during the sermon. They will return during the Passing of the Peace.</i></p>
	<p>Sermon: The Rev. Marissa Harrison</p> <p><i>Silence for Reflection.</i></p> <p><i>Thinking theologically is a spiritual practice. You’re invited to reflect on the following question:</i></p> <p><i>Jesus says the peace he gives is “not as the world gives.” What kind of peace does the world give? What kind of peace does Jesus offer? What does that peace look like or feel like to you? What kind of practices help you to connect with the deep, abiding peace from Jesus?</i></p>
<p><i>The Hymn of the Day is the assembly’s response to the sermon—making the sermon event a mutual faith conversation.</i></p>	<p>† Hymn of the Day: Come, We that Love the Lord (ELW 625) v. 1, 2, 4</p> <p>1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with sweet accord and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.</p> <p><i>Refrain:</i> We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion: we're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.</p> <p>2 Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but children of the heav'nly king, but children of the heav'nly king may tell their joys abroad, may tell their joys abroad. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>4 Then let our songs abound, and ev'ry tear be dry; we're marching through Immanuel's ground,</p>

	<p>we're marching through Immanuel's ground, to fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, stanzas; Robert Lowry, 1826-1899, refrain</p>
<p><i>As the church, we pray for those in our community and around the world. The prayers are also responsive, emphasizing our own participation.</i></p> <p><i>Each petition addresses a different topic, often in the same pattern:</i></p> <p><i>+ The Church + Creation + Nations and leaders + Those in need + This faith community + The great cloud of witnesses/those now resting with God</i></p>	<p>† Prayers of the Church</p> <p>God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.</p> <p><i>A brief silence.</i></p> <p>Unite communities of faith throughout the world. Further cooperation among people of different faith traditions and bless our non-Christian neighbors, that we learn and grow in deeper relationship. Receive our prayer, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>Bless the earth with fresh water, clean air, and rich soil. Nurture growing crops and encourage communities developing sustainable farming practices. Help us to live in balance and harmony with your good creation. Receive our prayer, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>Reconcile nations and communities suffering from violence and conflict. Protect refugees, asylum-seekers, and all who flee their homes seeking safety and security. Make all nations safe for both migrants and residents. We also pray for war-torn areas across the world, especially in Ukraine, Russia, the Middle East, and places in Africa. Receive our prayer, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>Sustain all who are in need, especially individuals and families struggling with trauma or addiction. Support caregivers, especially nurses, doctors, counselors, and social workers. Come alongside all who are ill or struggling. We pray especially for Helen, Gail, family and friends of Patricia, Mary Lou, Frank, Sara, Toni, Kate, Stan & Ann, Charley & Cindy, Bill, Susan, Sally, Thomas, Ruth, Diane, Khams and his community in Manipur, ... for our home-bound members: Diane, Steve, Audrey, Ed & Verna, Kay, Donna, Joyce, Else, Kristina, and Jeanette, and those we name aloud or in our hearts. Receive our prayer, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>This Memorial Day weekend, we remember all who have died in military service. Soothe loved ones who mourn, and strengthen</p>

	<p>support systems for veterans and their families. Bring peace among nations, that war and conflict around the world might cease. Receive our prayer, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>We give you thanks for all your saints raised to new life in Christ. Gather us, with them, into the peace only you can give. Receive our prayer, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. Amen.</p>
<p><i>A practice of the ancient church, we share in Christ's peace & recognize it in each other.</i></p>	<p>† Passing of the Peace</p> <p>The Peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.</p> <p><i>The people greet one another saying, "Peace" or "Peace be with you" sharing the peace of Christ with one another in a no-touch or low-touch way, such as a wave, peace sign, or elbow bump.</i></p>
<p><i>God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way we give thanks to God and support the ministry of the church.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Meal</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>Offering</p> <p>God's ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, & your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil keep making an impact by giving today using the QR code or at https://pushpay.com/g/goodsoillutheran</p> <p><i>Aim your phone camera at the QR code, but don't take a picture. A link will appear to click on that will take you to Good Soil's support page.</i></p> 
<p><i>The offering is brought forward to the altar to signify our gratitude for God's blessings.</i></p>	<p>† Offering Hymn: Rise, Shine, You People! (ELW 665) v. 1</p> <p>1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.</p> <p><small>Text: Ronald A. Klug, b. 1939, alt. Text © 1974 Augsburg Publishing House, admin. Augsburg Fortress.</small></p>
	<p>† Offering Prayer</p> <p>Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring.</p>

Come among us again,
 breathe your life into us,
 and enliven us with this meal,
 that we may live as your risen body in the world.
 Amen.

† Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

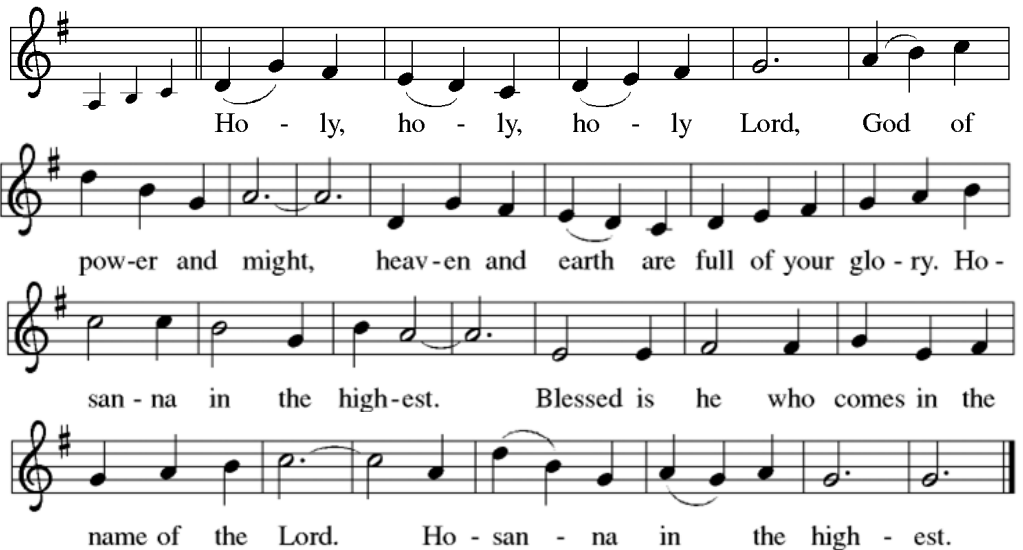
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

† Preface

† Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

	<p>† Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution</p> <p>Blessed are you, O God of the universe... ...With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.</p>
<p><i>The Lord's Prayer is Jesus' response to his disciples when they asked him to teach them how to pray.</i></p>	<p>† Lord's Prayer</p> <p>Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus first taught us: 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.</p>
	<p>† Invitation to the Table</p> <p>Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.</p>
	<p>Communion</p> <p><i>Christ is with us in this meal. All who are hungry for the presence of Jesus are welcome to commune here at Good Soil.</i></p> <p><i>Children are welcome to come to the Lord's table for communion or for a blessing, depending on parent/guardian's preference.</i></p> <p><i>When you receive the elements, you are invited to respond with "Amen" or "Thanks be to God."</i></p> <p><i>Please wait for the usher to release your row before proceeding up front. We will be observing standing processional communion today to embody the posture of the resurrection, rather than kneeling at the rail.</i></p> <p><i>Gluten-free bread is available on request. The wine (red) is in the outer rings of the tray, the grape juice (white) is in the center. Communion cups can be returned at the end tables on your way back to your seat.</i></p>
	<p>Communion Hymn: Jerusalem, My Happy Home (ELW 628)</p> <p>1 Jerusalem, my happy home, when shall I come to thee? When shall my sorrows have an end?</p>

Thy joys when shall I see?

- 2 O happy harbor of the saints,
O sweet and pleasant soil!
In thee no sorrow may be found,
no grief, no care, no toil.
- 3 Thy gardens and thy gallant walks
continually are green;
there grow such sweet and pleasant flow'rs
as nowhere else are seen.
- 4 There trees forevermore bear fruit
and evermore do spring;
there evermore the angels sit
and evermore do sing.
- 5 Jerusalem, my happy home,
would God I were in thee!
Would God my woes were at an end,
thy joys that I might see!

Text: F.B.P., 16th cent.

Communion Hymn: One Thing Remains

Higher than the mountains that I face
Stronger than the power of the grave
Constant in the trial and the change
One thing remains
One thing remains

Your love never fails
It never gives up
Never runs out on me
Your love never fails
It never gives up
Never runs out on me
Your love

On and on and on and on it goes
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I never ever have to be afraid

One thing remains
One thing remains

Your love never fails
It never gives up
Never runs out on me
Your love never fails
It never gives up
Never runs out on me
Your love

In death, in life I'm confident and
Covered by the power of Your great love
My debt is paid there's nothing that
Can separate my heart from Your great love.

Your love never fails
It never gives up
Never runs out on me
Your love never fails
It never gives up
Never runs out on me
Your love

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† Post-Communion Table Blessing

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

The Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

† Blessing

The triune God,
who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit,
light your way with resurrection dawn,
now and always.
Amen.

<p><i>Through the sending hymn we are sent out into the world to follow Jesus.</i></p>	<p>† Sending Hymn: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (ELW 815)</p> <p>1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.</p> <p><i>Refrain:</i> In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.</p> <p>2 I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934 Text © 1970, 1975 Celebration.</p>
<p><i>The dismissal sends us out as Christ's Body: nourished, fed, & ready to serve. Worship has ended, & our service begins!</i></p>	<p>† Dismissal</p> <p>Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!</p>
	<p>Postlude</p>

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Today’s Worship Servants:

Ushers: Kim Wylie & Bill Fink	Livestream: Jessica Berkshire
Reader: Sharon Bechtel	Acolyte: Edith Young
Counters: Kim Wylie & Jessica Berkshire	Cantor: David Paine
Online Usher: Kathy Berkshire	Altar Care: Anne Paine
Communion Bread: Anne Paine	



Announcements from Good Soil for Sunday, May 25, 2025

Especially in our prayers: Presiding Bp. Elizabeth Eaton, Bp. Barbins of the NEO Synod, Helen Andrews, Gail Boggs, family & friends of Patricia Boegner, Mary Lou Busby, Frank Dunaway, Sara Gresh, Toni Kulma, Kate Labuda, Stan & Ann Layman, Charley & Cindy McCabe, Bill Meyer, Susan Omerod, Sally Pate, Thomas Pate, Ruth Patrick, Diane Traxler, & Khams Zotal & his people in Manipur. We also pray for our homebound members: Diane Bennett, Steve Bugosh, Audrey Dorin, Ed & Verna Fink, Kay Eaton, Donna Handy, Joyce Miller, Else Rolland, Kristina Seeley, & Jeanette Weidlich.

For those celebrating their birthday this week: Dave Connor (5/26), Karen Erchul (5/26), Linda Beebe (5/29), & Mandy Forshey (5/29).

For those celebrating the anniversary of their baptism this week: Isaac Krankowski (5/29) & Kaitlyn Regan (5/29).

For those celebrating their wedding anniversary this week: Alex & Abby Alusheff (5/29).

The flowers adorning the altar today are given to the glory of God by Sharon Hollowell in celebration of Barbera Demko-Werner's birthday.

ELCA Good Gifts Good Soil encourages you to support the ELCA in its ongoing Good Gifts campaign throughout the month of May 2025. Visit goodgifts.elca.org to read more about this program and the array of potential gift choices. Children of Good Soil will be collecting contributions each Sunday from May 11 through June 1. Online donations are also welcome. Please use the QR code to the left and choose "ELCA Good Gifts" from the "Fund" dropdown menu. Pastor Marissa will announce the grand total collected on June 8. A follow-up survey will capture the congregation's choice as to which gift Good Soil would like to give. Thank you for giving!



TODAY! Bible Study: Government & Civic Engagement: Discipleship and Democracy (session 2)- After worship in the lounge: 5/25, 6/1, & 6/14, there will be a bible study discussing the ELCA's Social Message on Government and Civic Engagement. This is a follow-up study requested after the success of our "Faith Active in Love" study held before Lent. Scan the QR code to read the ELCA's social message.



March with Good Soil in the Cleveland Pride Parade (6/7)! Mark your calendars for Sat, June 7, and be a part of the Good Soil team marching in the annual Cleveland Pride Parade! Step-off is 11 AM from Public Square, winding through downtown and ending at the Mall for fun, food and music. Your showing up helps demonstrate in one more way that at Good Soil we are believers in "Loving our neighbors as Jesus loves us". Today, more than ever, this show of support is so needed. See you on June 7th!

Save the Date, Annual Meeting: 6/8 after Worship- At our annual congregation meeting on 6/8 we will elect new council members, celebrate the ministry of the past program year, and vote to become an RIC (Reconciling in Christ) congregation. Use the QR code to the left to see the list of Good Soil voting members. If your name is not on this list and you'd like to be a voting member, please contact admin@goodsoillutheran.org.

Pre-RIC Vote Survey Outcome 92%! The RIC Team is celebrating the results of the recent pre-RIC vote survey. Thanks to all who participated & shared their thoughts. Scan the QR code to the right for a written update from the RIC Team also addressing some questions received in the survey (ex: "If our old welcome statement already said we're welcoming, why do we need to update it?" or, "How do I access additional scriptural engagement resources on this topic?"). The vote will take place during our Annual Meeting after worship on **June 8th**. Thanks for your prayers and engagement!

Gather Together 20's and 30's Group Meeting- Gather Together will meet Wednesday June 11th from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm at the Centering Space (14812 Lake Ave. in Lakewood) to host a discussion on prayer, using the book "Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools" by Tyler Staton as a jumping off point for conversation and fellowship. Pizza and beverages will be provided, and potluck sides are welcome! We hope to see you there. Reach out to Mary Washburn to RSVP at mary.washburn@outlook.com / 210-241-8455.

LMM Service Opportunity (6/14)- You are invited to join a helping hands service opportunity event at Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries, 2100 Lakeside Ave. on Sat, June 14th, 9 am-12 pm. We will be refreshing and painting the dock area used as a covered patio for residents. All supplies will be provided, but a suggested item to bring is your own work gloves. On street parking is available and we will meet at the LMM location. If you wish to carpool it is suggested that you meet in the Good Soil parking lot at 8:30am that morning or make independent arrangements for carpooling. Sign up by Sun, June 8 using the sign-up sheet near the lounge OR by contacting Sharon Regan: Regansharon17@gmail.com or text 216-408-0304. Please include your name and number of people attending. LMM greatly appreciates the partnership of Good Soil, and their staff is looking forward to seeing us on June 14th!



Bethesda Staff Partnership- Scan the QR code to learn more about how Good Soil & Bethesda on the Bay Lutheran are exploring a potential faith formation staff partnership! Please pray for our joint call committee as they begin their journey together. The call committee will be installed during worship in June. 6/1 at Bethesda on the Bay and 6/8 at Good Soil.



2027 Sabbatical FAQ Sheet- Thank you for participating in the sabbatical questionnaire. The Renewal planning team & Pr. Marissa have put together an FAQ sheet to summarize those responses & answer questions. Scan the QR code for that document or see the bulletin board for a printed version. Also, on the bulletin board is a list of potential renewal activity opportunities to explore.

Coffee Hour Fellowship- We need volunteer hosts to set-up, brew, and clean-up the coffee/tea service &/or bring snacks/baked goods. The Coffee Hour volunteer sign-up is on the bulletin board by the lounge. Contact JoAnne Wancata (cell: 440-655-3674) w/ questions.

MOW looking for Drivers- West Shore Rocky River-Lakewood Meals on Wheels is in search of drivers to deliver meals to our recipients, especially Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Please contact 440-333-6298 or rrlwcoordinator@westshoremow.org for further info.

SUNDAY SCHOOL- Weekly Sunday faith formation for kids includes Learn & Grow and Experience & Grow opportunities during Sunday services. Additionally, kids will participate in special activities during planned monthly congregational events after worship. (Event updates will be announced, ongoing.) Contact JoAnne Wancata (cell: 440-655-3674) with questions OR to join the weekly rotation of Learn & Grow teachers/helpers.

Learn & Grow time during the worship service: Coloring, crafts, Bible stories, sharing, light snack, etc., in the classrooms on the first floor during the sermon & reflection time for adults in the sanctuary. For children in Preschool/Kindergarten through 4th grade.

Experience & Grow time participating in the worship service: Participating in the worship experience, including sermon & reflection time. Access to special materials on the "Experience & Grow" stand in the Prayground. For Grade 5 through Confirmation.

The last day of Sunday School before summer break will be Father's Day, Sun. June 15th.

More online ushers needed! Online ushers are a vital part of helping folks experience a sense



of God's wide welcome and hospitality through Good Soil, even from afar. You are welcome to attend in-person while serving as the online usher if you keep your phone/tablet on silent. You can also serve from home. If you're interested in serving as an online usher, sign up using the QR code to the left or this link <https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/30/enrollment/goodsoil>

Flower Sign-Up- Interested in signing up to adorn Christ's altar with flowers for worship? You can sign up with the flower list on the bulletin board in the hallway or online using this QR code. Please note: The physical flower list on the bulletin board has first priority. Best efforts will be made to ensure the digital calendar reflects the physical one, but if you happen to digitally sign-up for a date that is already taken on the physical sheet, you will be contacted to reschedule. Each vase costs \$20. You may also bring your own flowers instead of buying them through Good Soil, but please do still sign up.



Newsletter- Want to keep up with news at Good Soil or share the e-news with friends? Sign up or share our newsletter using the QR code or URL to the right: <https://tinyurl.com/bddjk7yp>



Calendar of Events		
Date	Event	Time
Sun, May 25	In-Person & Livestream Worship	9:30 am
Sun, May 25	Government and Civic Engagement Bible Study Session #2 of 4	10:30 am
Mon, May 26	<i>Memorial Day: Church Office Closed</i>	
Sun, Jun 1	In-Person & Livestream Worship	9:30 am
Sun, Jun 1	Government and Civic Engagement Bible Study Session #3 of 4	10:30 am
Sat, Jun 7	Ladies’ Breakfast @ Gene’s Place to Dine	9:00 am
Sat, Jun 7	Cleveland Pride Parade with Good Soil	11:00 am
Sun, Jun 8	In-Person & Livestream Worship: Blessing of Joint Call Committee	9:30 am
Sun, Jun 8	Annual Meeting	10:30 am

