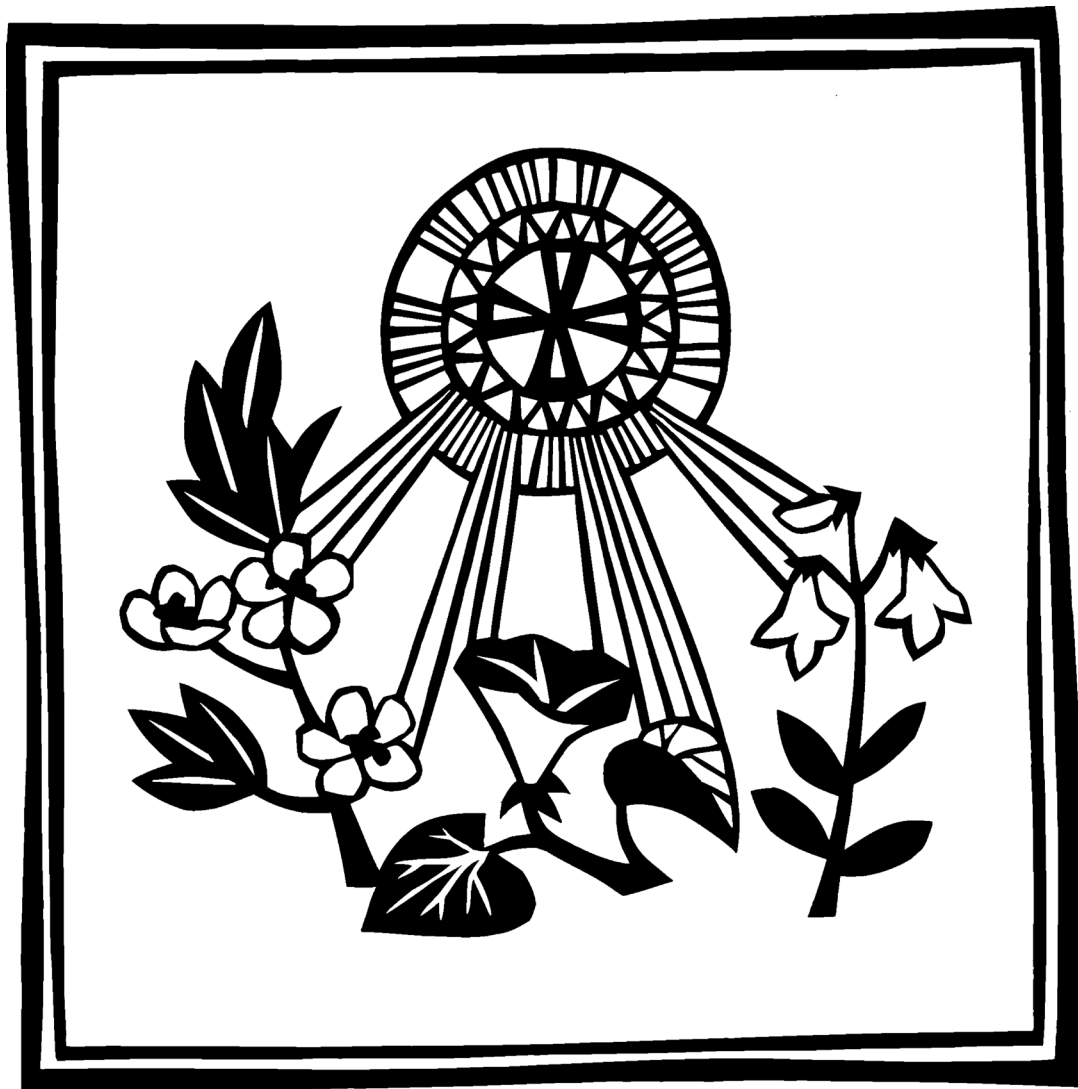


Good Soil Lutheran Ministries
Growing Together in Christ to Love and Serve



Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10th, 2026
9:30 am



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Welcome

Reflecting the abundant welcome of the Kingdom of God as revealed by Jesus, GSLM welcomes all who seek God's love and grace. We affirm and celebrate the diversity of humanity in all its races, cultures, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, social and economic circumstances, abilities, and disabilities. Together, we commit ourselves to racial equity and to justice for all, because in God's kingdom, we are all beloved children of God.

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 (with changing table) 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

Jesus does not abandon his followers. Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation. As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth. We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.

Gathering

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

Prelude and Welcome

† Mothers' Day Litany

All who gather here are sons or daughters.

We praise God for the women who gave us life.

For mothers brave, strong, compassionate, full of wisdom and grace,
we give God thanks and praise.

For mothers vulnerable, worried, frustrated, and hurried,
we pray for peace.

For relationships that are strained and no longer a source of joy,
we pray for healing.

For mothers who have died, who live no longer with us, but
whose light shines on in our hearts and memories,
we pray for those that mourn, and give God thanks for life eternal.

For mothers who grieve, who have lost children born or unborn,
we weep with those with broken hearts.

For those who are struggling to raise children, who are tired & weary,
we pray that we may be their village, offering real help in hard times.

For those who are preparing emptier nests,
we both celebrate and mourn with you, and hope their wings are as strong as their roots are deep.

For stepmothers, navigating the pitfalls and joys of creating a new family,
we pray for wisdom and patience.

For Grandmothers who are doing the hard work of raising children again,
we pray the caregivers have those who care for them.

For those who are waiting to bring new life, and for those who are waiting for adoptive process to be fulfilled.

We wait eagerly with you, and offer you our hand to hold.

For women who do not have children, but instead teach, lead, care for, and guide the children of others, **we give God thanks and praise.**

For the mothers, sisters, daughters in our midst and around the world. For the women who, created in the image of God, give not just life, but abundant life. For women fighting, struggling, and sweating for the sake of others. For women caring, compassionate, and crying with the heart of Christ. For the caregivers, prophets, preachers, teachers, leaders, shepherds, healers. For Moms, in their wide variety and many forms, **We Give God thanks and praise. Amen.**

† **Gathering Hymn: Come, Thou Almighty King (ELW 408)**

- 1 Come, thou almighty King,
help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise;
Father all-glorious,
o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.
- 2 Come, thou incarnate Word,
merciful, mighty Lord;
our prayer attend.
Come and thy people bless,
and give thy word success,
and let thy righteousness
on us descend.
- 3 Come, holy Comforter,
thy sacred witness bear
in this glad hour!
Thou who almighty art,
rule now in ev'ry heart,
never from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

4 To thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be
hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity
love and adore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.

*The assembly
and presiding
minister greet
each other
(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

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. *Refrain*
2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -
 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.
Final refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Prayer of the Day highlights themes in today's scripture.

† Prayer of the Day

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.

The Word

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

First Reading: Acts 17:22-31

To put this reading into context:

In Athens, Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming the gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. He proclaims that the “unknown god” whom they worship is the true Lord of heaven and earth who will judge the world with justice through Jesus, whom God has raised from the dead.

Hear now the reading.

²² Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. ²³ For 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 you worship as unknown, I proclaim to you.

²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands,

²⁵ nor is served by human hands, as though God needed anything, since God gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor God made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth and allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about and find God—though indeed God is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ For ‘In God we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we, too, are God’s offspring.’

²⁹ “Since 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. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now God commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because God has fixed a day on which the world will be judged in righteousness by a man whom God has appointed, and has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20



⁸Bless our | God, you peoples;

let the sound of | praise be heard.

⁹Our God has kept us a- | mong the living
and has not allowed our | feet to slip.

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

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

²⁰Blessed be God, who has not reject- | ed my prayer,
nor withheld unfailing | love from me.

We welcome the gospel by singing the Gospel Acclamation. We rise, if able, in anticipation of Christ being revealed to us through the Living Word of the Gospel.

† Gospel Acclamation: Halle Halle Hallelujah (ELW 172) *sing through twice*



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 14:15-21

To put this reading into context:

In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵“If 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.
¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They 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.”

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

Children’s Sermon

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.

Sermon: The Rev. Marissa Harrison

*Silence for Reflection. Thinking theologically is a spiritual practice.
You’re invited to reflect on the following question:*

Who are the mothering figures in your life who’ve reflected God’s nurturing love for you? Choose one quality you admire in them to emulate this week.

The Hymn of the Day is the assembly’s response to the sermon—making the sermon event a mutual faith conversation.

† Hymn of the Day: O Living Breath of God (ELW 407)

- 1 O living Breath of God, wind at the beginning upon the waters;
O living Breath of God, bearing the creation to wondrous birth;

Refrain: Come now, and fill our spirits; pour out your gifts abundant.
O living Breath of God, Holy Spirit, breathe in us as we pray.

- 2 O living Breath of God, by whose pow’r the Son came to birth among us;
O living Breath of God, who to the creation gives life anew; *Refrain*
- 3 O living Breath of God, bearing us to life through baptismal waters;
O living Breath of God, sighing with creation for freedom’s birth;
Refrain

Text: Osvaldo Catena, 1920-1986; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923 Tr. © 1998 Augsburg Fortress

*As the church,
we pray for
those in our
community and
around the
world. The
prayers are also
responsive,
emphasizing our
participation.
Each petition
addresses a
different topic,
often in the same
pattern:
+ The Church
+ Creation
+ Nations and
leaders
+ Those in need
+ This faith
community
+ The great
cloud of
witnesses/those
resting with God*

† Prayers of the Church

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

God of new life, you call us to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ's righteousness throughout the world. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water, and raise up stewards for the environment. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You created the role of civil servants for the benefit of all. Instill truth and equity among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations. Bring an end to war, violence, and humanitarian crises everywhere, including in Ukraine, Gaza, Iran, Israel and surrounding countries in the Middle East. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal the sick, shelter those who are unhoused, feed the undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill. We pray especially for Dale, Martin, Diane, Mike, Steve, Joe B, the Busby family, Joe C, Elizabeth, Jon, Audrey, Frank, Kay, Kay, Brendan, Sarah, Donna, Mary, Chris, Toni, Kate, Charley & Cindy, Bill, Joyce, Susan, Sally, Ruth, Emily, Kristina, Jeanette, James, ...and those we name aloud or in our hearts. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You are love & you desire that we love one another. As a mother hen cares for her chicks, bless all who provide motherly care in our lives, & inspire us to care for one another. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of those who now rest in you, and remind us of your promises that we will be reunited in your love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

A practice of the ancient church, we share in Christ's peace & recognize it in each other.

† Passing of the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The people greet one another saying, "Peace" or "Peace be with you." This greeting can take the form of shaking hands, waving, or making the peace sign with one another.

God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way we give thanks to God and support the ministry of the church.

The Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

God's ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, and your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil keep making an impact by giving today using the QR code or at pushpay.com/g/goodsoillutheran



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.

† Special Offertory Music: Mothering God, by Jim Kulma

The offering is brought to the altar to signify our gratitude for God's blessings.

† Offering Hymn: Alleluia! Jesus is Risen! (ELW 377) v. 1

1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

*Refrain: Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!*

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926 Text © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

† Offering Prayer

Merciful God,
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day
when we will hunger and thirst no more.
Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,
that goodness and mercy may follow us
and bless the world you love.
In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

† Great Thanksgiving

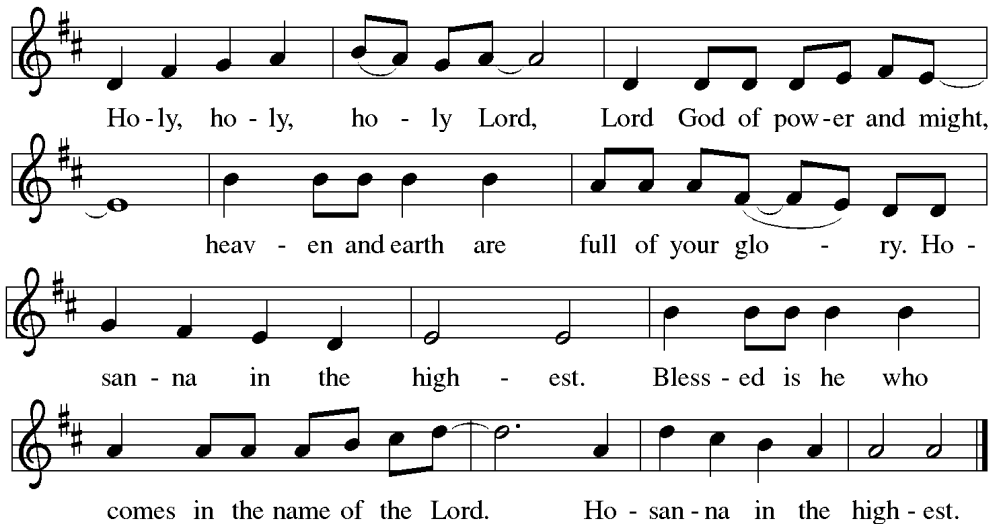
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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, Lord God of pow-er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

† Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

...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.

The Lord's Prayer is Jesus' response to his disciples when they asked him to teach them how to pray.

† Lord's Prayer

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.

† Invitation to the Table

Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

Communion

Christ is with us in this meal. All who are hungry for the presence of Jesus are welcome to commune here at Good Soil.

Children are welcome to come to the Lord's table for communion or for a blessing, depending on parent/guardian's preference.

When you receive the elements, you are invited to respond with "Amen" or "Thanks be to God."

Please wait for the usher to release your row before coming up front. You are invited to stand along the altar rail, rather than kneel, to embody the posture of the resurrection.

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.

Communion Hymn: We Know that Christ was Raised (ELW 449)

- 1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold,
and our despair he turned to blazing joy.
Hallelujah!
- 2 We share by water in his saving death.
Reborn, we share with him an Easter life,
as living members of our Savior Christ.
Hallelujah!
- 3 The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God.
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One.
Hallelujah!
- 4 A new creation comes to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.
The universe restored and whole will sing:
Hallelujah!

Communion Hymn: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (ELW 392)

- 1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood."
- 2 Alleluia! Not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us;
faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise:
"I am with you evermore"?
- 3 Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's redeemer, hear our plea
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.
- 4 Alleluia! King eternal,
Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.
As within the veil you entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest,
here on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.
- 5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;

Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood."

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt.

Communion Hymn: Beautiful Savior (ELW 838)

- 1 Beautiful Savior,
King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee,
truly I'd serve thee,
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows,
fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.
- 3 Fair is the sunshine,
fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
than all the angels in the sky.
- 4 Beautiful Savior,
Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904

† **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**

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,
‡ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

*Through the
sending hymn
we are sent out
into the world
to follow Jesus.*

† **Sending Hymn: Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading (ELW 401)**

1 Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading,
fashion us all anew.
It's your leading that we're needing,
help us to follow you.

*Refrain: Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.
Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.*

2 Come to teach us, come to nourish
those who believe in Christ.
Bless the faithful, may they flourish,
strengthened by grace unpriced. *Refrain*

3 Guide our thinking and our speaking
done in your holy name.
Motivate all in their seeking,
freeing from guilt and shame. *Refrain*

4 Not mere knowledge, but discernment,
nor rootless liberty;
turn disquiet to contentment,
doubt into certainty. *Refrain*

5 Keep us fervent in our witness;
unswayed by earth's allure.
Ever grant us zealous fitness,
which you alone assure. *Refrain*

Text: Wilson Niwagila; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922
English and Swahili text © Lutheran Theological College, Makumira, Tanzania, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

*The dismissal sends us
out as Christ's Body:
nourished, fed, and
ready to serve.
Worship has ended,
& our service begins!*

† Dismissal

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

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*You are warmly invited to gather in the upstairs lounge area for coffee
fellowship following worship!*

Today's Worship Servants:

Ushers: Sharon Hollowell & Stan Zeager	Livestream: Isaac Krankowski
Reader: Kaitlyn Regan	Acolyte: Amelia Forshey
Counters: Stan Zeager & Ellen Young	Cantor: William Eversole
Online Usher: Stormy Younger	Altar Care: Anne Paine
Communion Bread: Sarah Sburlea	

Announcements from Good Soil for Sunday, May 10, 2026



Especially in our prayers: Dale Alexander, Martin Bauer, Diane Bennett, Mike Bishop, Steve Bugosh, Joe Buntyn, the Busby family, Joe Cassatta, Elizabeth Danish, Jon Deye, Audrey Dorin, Frank Dunaway, Kay Eaton (Welsh Home), Kay Eaton (Renaissance Home), Brendan Erchul, Sarah Gresh, Donna Handy, Mary Hanson, Chris Jacobson, Toni Kulma, Kate Labuda, Charley & Cindy McCabe, Bill Meyer, Joyce Miller, Susan Omerod, Sally Pate, Ruth Patrick, Emily Reilly, Kristina Seeley, Jeanette Weidlich, James Younger, and all those suffering because of war, violence and humanitarian crises, including in Ukraine, Gaza, Iran, Israel, & surrounding countries in the Middle East.

For those celebrating birthdays: Jessica Berkshire (5/12) & Andrew Sykaluk (5/14).

For those celebrating baptism anniversaries: Pam Lanter (5/14) & Allan Wylie (5/14).

Save the Date - Saturday, May 16th - Spring Clean-Up - The Property Team's annual Spring Clean-Up is scheduled for Saturday, May 16th from 9:30am - 12:00pm. We will be doing a general clean up around the church building, consisting of weeding, trimming shrubs, moving and planting flowers. We'll meet in the parking lot for work assignments. Please bring your own gardening gloves and tools. We'll supply lawn bags, some tools, drinks, and snacks.

2026 Pride Parade – Sat 6/6 – It’s time again for the annual Cleveland Pride Parade & celebration. This year Good Soil is marching with Peace Lutheran Church in Cleveland Hts. Staging for the parade begins at 10 AM in Public Square, with stepoff at 11 AM. The parade will wind from Public Square for one mile through downtown ending at Malls B & C for fun, food & music until 6 PM. Participating in this event is yet another important way we show that as Good Soil we believe in “loving our neighbors as God loves us.” Showing up as members & allies of the LGBT Community & as church is increasingly important in these times. Please contact Kathy Aloï (kathmaloi@gmail.com (440)476-4899 Text) if you are interested in carpooling or have questions prior to the parade. Contact Mandy Forshey (216) 640-6145 or Vicar Albie from Peace Lutheran (319) 883-3947 if you need to locate the group or have any questions the day of the parade.

Service Outreach Opportunity: Sun, 6/7 right after service we will be assembling Blessing Bags in the fellowship hall. Our supply needs replenishing! All ages welcome to participate. You are encouraged to carry one or more bags in your car to distribute & bless those in need. This is a small way we can continue to support the wider community.

Do you have a handy person in your life? Good Soil is in search of a reliable and responsive person to help serve as a backup for our maintenance contractor and provide on-call support for building-related issues. This Sexton role includes responding to building alarms or emergencies, coordinating with contractors while they are on site, and assisting with maintenance needs during unexpected weather events or other special occasions. We’re looking for someone dependable, hands-on, and willing to be available in an on-call capacity as needed. If you are interested or would like to recommend someone—please contact Sean at admin@goodsoillutheran.org to learn more.

Looking to put your faith into action? Hunger continues growing in our community affecting people of all ages and backgrounds. You can be part of the solution by volunteering:

New Covenant Produce for the People: 4th Sat of each month, 9a-12p, at New Covenant Lutheran, 1424 Hayden Ave, Cleveland. *No produce giveaway on 5/23.*

Lakewood Fresh Produce Distribution: 3rd Sat of each month, *beginning 5/16*, 9am-12pm, through October. Meet at the Lakewood Congregational Church parking lot located on the corner of 1375 W. Clifton Blvd at Detroit Ave, Lakewood.

Our neighbor Trials For Hope needs food items. Items should be easy to open such as pouches, pull tabs or tear away tops: tuna, fruit cups, protein or granola bars, applesauce, etc. Place items in the designated bucket next to the front door or under the table & label as TFH if bucket is full.

MOW looking for Drivers- West Shore Rocky River-Lakewood Meals on Wheels works in Good Soil's kitchen M-F! They need more drivers to bring meals to recipients, especially Mon, Wed, & Fri. Contact 440-333-6298 or rrlwcoordinator@westshoremow.org for more info.

Bethesda Staff Partnership for Shared Minister for Christian Formation (new update) - Both church's references have been contacted and have agreed to fill out the required reference form that accompanies each church's Ministry Site Profile (MSP). The MSPs have been finalized and are being sent to Pastor Mitch Phillips, Assistant to the Bishop for Leadership, who will publish them in the ELCA's call database for available candidates to review. Interested candidates will contact Pastor Mitch and submit their Rostered Minister Profiles for review. Interviews with candidates will then take place with the Call Committee in the coming months. Please hold our Call Committee, council leaders, and this call process in your prayers as we discern who God is calling to serve as our shared Minister for Christian Formation. Questions? Contact Call Committee Co-Chair, JoAnne Wancata at (440) 655-3674. What's Christian Formation? Sunday School, Confirmation, Bible Studies, Small Group ministry, Service and Learning opportunities, Acolyte and Communion Instruction Classes, and Worship, are all examples of how we are "formed" in the Christian faith and life.

Flower Sign-Up- Interested in adorning Christ's altar with flowers for worship? Sign up on the flower list on the hallway bulletin board or online using this QR code. Please note: The physical bulletin board list has priority. Best efforts are made to ensure the digital calendar matches the physical one. If you sign up online for a date that is taken on the physical list, we will reach out to reschedule. Each vase costs \$35. You may bring your own flowers instead of buying through Good Soil, but please still sign up. Questions about flowers? Contact Cara Rovella at cclc@goodsoillutheran.org.



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> Questions about the E-news? Contact Cara Rovella at cclc@goodsoillutheran.org.

Calendar of Events		
Date	Event	Time
Sun, May 10	In-Person & Livestream Worship: Sixth Sunday of Easter, <i>Mother's Day</i>	9:30 am
Sat, May 16	Spring Clean-Up at Good Soil	9:00 am
Sat, May 16	Lakewood Fresh Produce Giveaway, 1375 W. Clifton Blvd	9:00 am
Sun, May 17	In-Person & Livestream Worship: Seventh Sunday of Easter	9:30 am
Sun, May 24	In-Person & Livestream Worship: Day of Pentecost	9:30 am

