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Today's worship service is being live streamed to YouTube with video coverage of leaders and worshippers.

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# Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025



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Welcome to St. John's—we are glad you're here! Whether you have worshiped with us many times, or this is your first time, there is a place for you here. Your presence among us is a gift.

## Introduction to the Day

Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Christ is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love.

*(Please take a moment to silence all electronics. Thank you!)  
(Hymns are taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red book in the pew rack.)*

### WELCOME

**PRELUDE** *Sinfonia (based on chorus, Worthy Is the Lamb) Handel, arr. Hal Hopson*  
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*(Please stand as you are able.)*

### GATHERING

### INVOCATION

We worship today in the name in which we are baptized:  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**      *The Day of Resurrection!*      *ELW 361 (vv. 1-2)*

*(Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.; Music: German melody, 18<sup>th</sup> cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche, 1833)*

### 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.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

*I Know That My Redeemer Liveth*      Soloist: Alexis Arthur

*Job 19:25, 26; I Cor. 15:20: For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet. But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.*

### This week's schedule

Today	9:00 am	Handbell Choir (Music Room)
	9:00 am	Sunday School & Faith + Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
	10:00 am	Live & Online Worship
	11:30 am	Altar Guild Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	11:30 am	Executive Council Meeting (Music Room)
	11:30 am	Youth Group (Youth Room)
Mon.	7:00 pm	Council Meeting (Smith Building)
Tues.		
Wed.	9:30 am	Busy Bees (Smith Building)
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir (Music Room)
		<b>Newsletter Articles Due</b>
Thurs.		
Fri.	11:00 am	Bible Study (Smith Building)
Sat.		

### Counting our Blessings

Sun.	Attendance: 153	<b>2025</b>	
5/11	Offering: \$3,813	February Offering Income	\$ 27,891
	Homebound: 14	February Other Income	\$ 4,348
		February Total Income	\$ 32,239
		February Expenses	\$ 31,597
		YTD Offering Income	\$ 69,560
		YTD Other Income	\$ 12,449
		YTD Total Income	\$ 82,009
		YTD Expenses	\$ 77,092



### Prayer List

Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.

**For health & healing:** Joan Kraft, Betty Ehm, Shirley Kreh, Mary Gude, Olusegun Fowode, Marge Jasper, John McLaughlin, Julie Hastings, Kim Townsley, Mildred Schaffer, Bill Fliegel, Ruth Albrecht, Marion McDonough, Diane Carroll, Richard Souders, Oluseye Fowode, Robert Suznick, Lisa Duerling, Joan Swank, Pat Hurley, Debbie Miller, Sandy Scott and Vickie Jasinski

**For family & friends:** Bob White, Wendy Kraft, Michael Elligson, Fred Smith, Anna Meyer, Patricia Dunn, Jerre Keller, Hank Truslow, Scott Hendricks, Ed, Chuck Taylor, Jane Esterby, Patsy Smith, Marianne Widderich, Peggy Lee Vanhouten, Hanna Greenberg, Charlotte Leach, Henry Davis, Bill Beck, Lynn Federline, Danielle Wilkinson, Dr. Vincent Wroblewski

**For the military and their families:** Christopher McCann, Mason Arnold, Kalib McCann, Leroy Keller, Seaman E-3 Carson Anthony Bowser, Corporal Justin Ferro, Staff Sgt. Brandan Hartmann, Michael Anthony Tucker, and all those in harm's way

**For those grieving family & friends of:** David Rogers, Sr., Rev. William Swisher, Norma Jean Stewart, Patrick O'Connell

**For St. John's Caring Friends:** Patricia Becker, Agatha Biensach-Daniels, Barbara Conrad, Margaret Eubert, June Franz, Betty Glassband, Richard Hoerner, Patricia Hurley, Audrey Lentz, Paul Nolder, Janet Roth, Doris Rye, Kim Townsley, and Emma Volz

#### Note regarding the Prayer List

Those on the family & friends prayer list will remain for 6 weeks and then be removed— unless otherwise specified. If at any time you would like to add or remove someone from the list, please contact the church office.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### WORD

#### FIRST READING

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "All things are put in subjection," it is plain that this does not include the one who put all things in subjection under him. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who put all things in subjection under him, so that God may be all in all.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Choral response

*Since By Man Came Death*

Choir

*I Cor. 15:21, 22: For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. (For as in Adam all die,) even so in Christ shall all be made alive..*

#### SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:51-58

Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: "Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Choral response

*The Trumpet Shall Sound*

*I Cor. 15:52: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.*

Soloist: Tim Kjer

Trumpeter: Keith DeFontes

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia. Our hearts burn within us  
**while you open to us the scriptures. Alleluia.** (Luke 24:32)

**GOSPEL**

**John 13:31-35**

*After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.*

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(The assembly is seated.)*

**SERMON**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

***I Come with Joy***

***ELW 482***

*(Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936; Music: W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835; Text © 1971, rev. 1995 Hope Publishing Company)*

**NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;**

**Attention all High School and College Graduates!** Contact the church office with your name, school you are graduating from, school you will be attending in the fall and your major/degree. We will offer a blessing and a small gift later this summer and you will be recognized in the weekly email and our newsletter. Email this information to the church office at [office@stjohnsparkville.org](mailto:office@stjohnsparkville.org) by the end of May.



**Join us for our next Community Meal on Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:30 pm.** Please come and invite your friends, family and neighbors! We need donations and volunteers. There is a sign up sheet on the third floor bulletin board.

**Our next Wednesday Night Worship will take place this Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> after the Community Meal at 6:45 pm.** This is a brief communion service held in the Smith Building with blended music featuring piano and/or guitar, as well as an interactive reflection. We hope you can join us and invite your friends and neighbors!



**Save the date for St. John's night at the Ironbirds game on Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:05 pm.** Tickets are \$13. See Dave Evans or email him at [ravenfan79@yahoo.com](mailto:ravenfan79@yahoo.com) for tickets.

**Registration is open for our 2025 Vacation Bible School.** VBS will take place July 14<sup>th</sup>—18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am– 12:30 pm. Forms are located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor bulletin board, in the newsletter, on our facebook page, and in the weekly email. We are in need of volunteers. If you can help, please contact Debbie Haacke at [haackefamily@comcast.net](mailto:haackefamily@comcast.net) or call her at 410-661-8970.



**Registration is open for our 2025 Music Camps.** Primary Music Campette is July 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am —12:00 pm for students who have completed K through grade 2. Summer Musical Camp is August 11<sup>th</sup> –15<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am —2:00 pm for students who have completed grades 3 through 8. Registration forms are on the third floor bulletin board, in the weekly email and on our website.

**Message from the Pastors:**

**Welcome to the world, Junia Marlu Berger!  
Born May 12th at 4:06 pm  
7 lb 8 oz, 20.5 in.  
We are all doing well and soaking in this amazing  
new blessing.**

**We love you so much, Junia!**



## Announcements & Upcoming Events

**Next Week— Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>—Sixth Sunday of Easter**

† 9 am—**Sunday School and Faith + Fellowship**

† 10 am—**Worship in-person  
and livestreamed on our YouTube Channel**

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**The beautiful flowers gracing our worship service** today are given in memory of our wife and mother, Mildred Hutschenreuter by the Hutschenreuter and Conner families.

**We are taking altar flower dedications for 2025.** The cost is \$50. Contact Rachel Hills at [rm\\_hills@yahoo.com](mailto:rm_hills@yahoo.com) if you would like to sponsor the flowers. Dates available are June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, August 31<sup>st</sup>, September 7<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, October 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, November 30<sup>th</sup>, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Nursery Care** for infants through age 2 is available during the Sunday School hour while parents are attending Faith and Fellowship. During worship, care is available for infants through kindergarten.



**St. John's Youth Group** will meet today from about 11:15 am—12:30 pm. This group is for middle and high school students. Join us as we have fun, get to know one another and grow in faith.

**Faith and Fellowship meets in the Fellowship Hall on the first floor from 9 am—9:45 am each Sunday.** This is an opportunity for adults to gather for light refreshments and to grow in faith.



**BIBLE** Join us for our Friday morning Bible Study at 11:00 am in the Smith Building. We are studying the Gospel of John. All are welcome!

**The Food for Thought Program** is packing 40 weekend bags each week for 20 students experiencing food insecurity at Carney Elementary. **At this time we are in need of: tuna & chicken salad kits, pudding cups and applesauce pouches.** Offering money helps support this effort too!



**If you would like to provide a meal for the Pastors,** there is a sign up sheet on the third floor bulletin board.

**We are in need of a few more people who would be willing to serve as kitchen managers for our monthly community meals and other events.** This involves a free, one-day training in-person or online to receive a food license from the county. If interested, please be in touch with Robin Dibley!



through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*After each petition*

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(We offer each other a sign of God's peace. Afterwards, the assembly is seated.)*

### MEAL

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*But Thanks Be to God*

Choir

*I Cor. 15:57: But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Thank you for your generous support of St. John's. During this time an offering is gathered for the mission and ministry of the Church as together we experience and share God's abundant grace and love.*

*Many in our congregation give online. You can set up one-time or recurring donations on our website [stjohnsparkville.org](http://stjohnsparkville.org). Checks and cash may be placed in the offering plate. You may also donate via venmo @stjohnsparkville*



*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**OFFERING HYMN**

*Come to the Table*

*ELW 481*



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942  
Music: COME TO THE TABLE, Martin J. Nyström, b. 1956  
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**OFFERING PRAYER**

Risen One,  
you have gathered us around your table of grace  
along with these gifts we bring.  
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**

**Commemorations**

*When we are baptized, we are baptized into the body of Christ. We understand this body to be the communion of saints, a diverse witness of people across time and space. Throughout its history, the church has sought to lift up Christians who have been unique, exemplary people of faith. It is not that these people are perfect, as we are all both saint and sinner. Our faith in God working in them can be a reminder of God's grace working in all of our lives. "The saints are to be remembered so that we may strengthen our faith when we see how they experienced grace and how they were helped by faith."*

*(Augsburg Confession)*

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**Erik, King of Sweden, martyr, died 1160**

**Sunday, May 18, 2025**

Erik is considered the patron saint of Sweden. As king of that nation, he tried to bring peace in the region, and to spread Christianity in Scandinavia. He was also known for his attempts to make fair laws and to protect those who were poor or sick.

**Helena, mother of Constantine, died around 330**

**Wednesday, May 21, 2025**

Influenced by her son to become Christian, Helena (or Helen) lived an exemplary life of faith. She is also remembered for traveling through Palestine building churches on the sites she believed to be associated with Christ's life.

**Nicolaus Copernicus, died 1543; Leonhard Euler, died 1783; scientists**

**Saturday, May 24, 2025**

These two men were both scientists who helped to explain the wonders of God's universe. Copernicus is best known for promoting the idea that the sun, not the earth, is at the center of our solar system. Euler was one of the founders of pure mathematics, and contributed to many other fields.

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<b>Those Serving Today</b>	
Assisting Minister	Amanda Hartman
Crucifer	Olivia S.
Acolyte (s)	Devon W., Alec B.
Lector	Judy Jasinski
Communion Assistant	Judy Jasinski
Dismissal Assistant	Alec B.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SENDING

#### BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**  
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.**

Choral Amen

*Amen*

Choir

#### SENDING HYMN

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

*ELW 392 (vv. 1-2)*

*(Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt.; Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887)*

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

#### POSTLUDE

*Voluntary in D*

*G.F. Handel/ arr. Todd Kendall*

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***TODAY WE WELCOME Pastor Teal Anderson, as our presider and preacher,  
and thank her for sharing her gifts with us in worship. It is always good to have  
you here at St. John's!***

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## DIALOGUE

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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.  
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,  
with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*You are Holy (See insert)*

*ELW 525*

*(Text and music: Per Harling, b. 1948; Text and music © 1990 Ton Vis Produktion AB, admin.  
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## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, living, and loving God,  
we give you thanks for Jesus  
who, living among us,  
healed the sick,  
fed the hungry,  
and with a love stronger than death,  
gave his life for others.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and 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.  
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.

Remembering, therefore,  
his life-giving death and glorious resurrection,  
we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:  
carry us in your arms from death to life,  
that we may live as your chosen ones,  
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Blessing, praise, and thanks  
to you, holy God,  
through Christ Jesus,  
by your Spirit,  
in your church,  
without end.  
**Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus 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.**

*(The assembly is seated.)*

## COMMUNION

*All are welcome at Christ's table. Bread is received in the hands. Gluten-free wafers are available-if you need one, please ask the pastor. To receive the wine, take an empty cup and the communion assistant will fill it with wine. The cups that are already filled contain grape juice. After drinking, place the used cup in the basket on your way back to your seat.*

*If you are not communing you are welcome to come forward for a blessing,  
crossing your arms over your chest.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

*Be known to us, Lord*

*ACS pg.40*



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



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



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



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

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*Baptized and Set Free*

*ELW 453*

*(Text and music: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956; Text and music © 1999 Augsburg Fortress)*

*On Jordan's Stormy Bank I Stand*

*ELW 437*

*(Text: Samuel Stennett, 1727-1795; Music: W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835; adapt. Rigdon M. McIntosh, 1836-1899)*

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living One,  
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.  
Send us now to tell of your wonders,  
sing of your glory,  
and proclaim your risen life  
to a wounded and weary world.  
**Amen.**

*Hallelujah!*

Choir

*Rev. 19:6; 11:15: And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever."*