



Sunday, May 8, 2016

Worship 9:00 am

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Worship Plan for Sunday, May 08, 2016

Choir Concert

Seventh Sunday of Easter

ELW Holy Communion Setting Ten

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may stand as able and make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

C: Amen.

P: Let us come into the light,
the revealing and healing light of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of grace and glory,

**C: you have brought us through the night of sin
into the light of Jesus' resurrection.**

Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin.

Make us alive in Christ, O God.

Make us new as you make all things new.

**Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin,
renew us in grace,**

**and restore us to living in your holiness,
through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.**

Amen.

P: Rejoice with all creation around God's throne!

The light of the risen Christ

puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin,
restores innocence to the fallen,

casts out hate, brings peace,

and humbles earthly pride.

Jesus Christ loves you

and ☩ frees you from your sins by his blood.

To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!

C: Amen.

GREETING

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.

KYRIE**Page 203****CANTICLE OF PRAISE****Page 204****PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A: Let us pray. O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 16:16-34

¹⁶One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." ²²The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to

God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³²They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 97

A: ¹The LORD reigns; let the | earth rejoice;
let the multitude of the | isles be glad.

C: ²**Clouds and darkness sur- | round the LORD,
righteousness and justice are the foundations | of God's throne.**

A: ³Fire goes be- | fore the LORD,
burning up enemies on | every side.

C: ⁴**Lightnings light | up the world;
the earth | sees and trembles.**

A: ⁵The mountains | melt like wax
before the Lord of | all the earth.

C: ⁶**The heavens declare your righteous- | ness, O LORD,
and all the peoples | see your glory. R**

A: ⁷Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before the LORD, | all you gods.

C: ⁸**Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Ju- | dah rejoice,
because of your judg- | ments, O LORD.**

A: ⁹For you are the LORD, most high over | all the earth;
you are exalted far a- | bove all gods.

C: ¹⁰**You who love the | LORD, hate evil!**

God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand | of the wicked.

A: ¹¹Light dawns | for the righteous,
and joy for the hon- | est of heart.

C: ¹²**Rejoice in the | LORD, you righteous,**
and give thanks to God's | holy name. R

SECOND READING: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

¹²“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. ¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

¹⁶“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

¹⁷The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.”

And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

²⁰The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.”

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

²¹The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-35

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with him; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to

wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

³⁴Salt is good; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; they throw it away. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!"

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated

TIME FOR CHILDREN

**THE MESSAGE TODAY IS PRESENTED IN SONG & WORD BY
THE EKLC CHOIR**

"Shout For Joy!"

"I Will Sing Praise"

"We Remember You"

"Faith to Carry One"

HYMN OF THE DAY *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* **ELW 618**

The assembly stands as able

CREED

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

**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;
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 INTERCESSION

A: Rooted in the abundant life and love of Christ Jesus, we pray for the life of the church, the lives of people in need, and the life of all creation. (*A brief silence.*) God of renewal, fill us to overflowing with the grace we receive in word, in water, in the meal. Draw others to join the life we share in your church.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

A: ...We deliver all this into your care, O God, trusting in the work of your Holy Spirit to bring all things into the risen life of Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

After sharing a sign of peace, the assembly is seated.

OFFERING

The assembly stands as able to sing the offertory:

OFFERTORY *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

ELW 184

OFFERING 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.

DIALOGUE

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.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: 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 COMMUNION

The table of life is spread before you.

Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

The assembly is seated

COMMUNION SONG

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SHARING COMMUNION AROUND THE ALTAR

Welcome to the Lord's Table! All baptized Christians who believe the words This is my body given for you, shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins are welcome to come forward to receive this gift of grace. Please wait for ushers to direct you to the front of the sanctuary. You may kneel at the railing or stand. Take the bread and eat. Take the cup (wine is purple, grape juice is yellow) and drink. Keep the cup and place in bowl the provided through the side exit as you leave the altar and walk back to your pew. If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, let the ushers know and we will bring communion to you. If you prefer not to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest. May these gifts keep you in eternal life.

COMMUNION HYMN *O Christ, Our Hope*

ELW 604

COMMUNION HYMN *Come, Ye Disconsolate*

ELW 607

SENDING OF COMMUNION

P: O God of tender compassion, as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers who are *sick/homebound/imprisoned*. May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: The blessing of the Lord God Almighty, the blessing of ☩ Christ, the Lamb who was slain, and the blessing of the Holy Spirit of truth be among you and remain with you always.

C: Amen.

The assembly stands as able

SENDING SONG *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

ELW 855

DISMISSAL

A: Alleluia. Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

~Worship Leaders~

Pastor ~ Pastor Brenda Lovick

Assisting Minister ~ Michael Stuve **Lector** ~ Barb Klemp

Acolyte ~ Kody Lewellin & Caleb Wipperfurth

Greeter ~ Carole Kenseth

Ushers ~ Kurt & Barb Klemp, Carroll & Bonnie Ehrke

Communion Set up and Take down ~ Joy Circle

Communion Assistants ~ Arvid & Linda Mathison

Offering Counters ~ Joy Graffin, Brian & Brittany Rosenthal

Musician ~ Judy Rusch **Choir Director** ~ Vicki Schuh

Fellowship Coffee Hour ~ Choir

Nursery ~ Sonja & Jenna Christensen

Church Lock-up ~ Arvid Mathison

~East Koshkonong Lutheran Church Choir~

Choir Director ~ Vicki Schuh **Accompanist** ~ Judy Rusch

Sopranos: Pastor Brenda Lovick, Holly Loomis,
Linda Mathison, Karen Hayes

Altos: Kristen Lien, Carolyn Lien, Beverly Lien,
Gloria Fruit, Sue Repyak

Tenors: Michael Stuve, Ken Rockney, David Repyak

Basses: Arlen Lund, Franklin Lien, Arvid Mathison, Lyle Walheim

~Prayers~

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday.

Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested.

*Denotes new/changed request.

Thanksgiving to God for...

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (see calendar)

-Prayers for the ministries of Lindsay Stolen.

God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...

-Diane Nelson

-Christy Anderson

-Dennis & Mary Hareid

-Amie Broeniman

-Emma Broeniman

-June Lehr

-Ron Buser

-Allison Moc

-Johnnie Jacobson

-Julia Radloff

-Griffin Clark

-Rev. Stan Christensen

-Harriet Eikland

-Lois Bendall

-Cheryl Rude

-Judy Jacobson

-Lisa Sperle

-The grieving family of Virgil Martin as we express sympathy for their loss.

God's protection & safety for people of the world.

-For global refugee crisis.

-For the peace among all the nations of the world.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty:

Zach Hromatko and Joe Janness. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty that is not included in these prayers so they can be added.)

~Calendar of Events~

Sunday, May 8, 2016

- 8:00am Choir Practice
9:00am Worship, Choir Concert
10:00am Fellowship Coffee Hour hosted by Choir

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

- 9:00am Peace Circle meets at Joanne Gyland's Home
9:30am Staff Meeting
10:30am Prayers for Our People
11:00am Adult Bible Study
12pm-3pm Pastor's Office Hours

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

- 6:00pm Habitat Blessing at Site location

Thursday, May 5, 2016

- 9:00am Text Study

Sunday, May 15, 2016

- 9:00am Worship, Pentecost Sunday,
New Members received
10:00am Fellowship Coffee Hour hosted by
Worship Committee

Attendance Report for: last Sunday, May 1: 117

Sunday, April 24: 89

Sunday, April 17: 123

Sunday, April 10: 75

Weekly Offerings Report			Weekly Offerings Report		
	100% Budget April	April Offerings		100% Budget May	May Offerings to Date
4/24/16	Goal to meet		5/1/16	Goal to meet	
Offerings	Budget		Offerings	Budget	
\$ 3,566.00	\$ 20,126.64	\$ 13,779.00	\$ 4,241.50	\$ 15,553.16	\$ 4,241.50

Treasurer's Report

Highlights - March Income (\$15,224.97) was higher than expenses by \$137.03.

March General Offerings this year were higher than 2015 March offerings by \$362.17.

Lowlights - March General Offerings (\$14,960.97) were lower than March budget by \$2,725.23. Furthermore, as the monthly breakdown of our accepted budget is based on the average contributions of the past five years, and as Easter has fallen more often than not in the past five Aprils, the expectation for general offerings this April (\$20,126.64) are much higher than are actually happening.

To date, EKLC is behind (\$10,826.99) as far as meeting our budget.

~Announcements~

Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW (cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to 'come and eat.' Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.

Congratulations Pastor Brenda as you celebrate the 1 year anniversary of your installation into EKLC on May 10th! We are blessed by your ministry.

Wear red on Pentecost Sunday, May 15th! We will welcome new members in our congregation this day. Please wear Pentecost Red to celebrate!

Worship in the upper church on Sunday, May 22nd.

Property Meeting scheduled for May 24th at 6pm. Anyone interested in caring for our property is welcome to attend.

Graduate Recognition Sunday May 29th On Sunday May 29th during our 9:00 a.m. worship service we would like to recognize all of our members who will be graduating from high school this year. We would also like to recognize all our members who have graduated from college in the past six months or who will be graduating this spring. **We would appreciate it if the graduating students or their parents would notify the office** of those who are graduating, including from what high school or college. We would also like to know who of our graduates will be able to attend worship on May 29th when this recognition will take place. Thank you, in advance, for contacting us! 608-423-3017

Bible Study This week, Bible study will only be held on Tuesday morning. We want to encourage people to attend the Habitat Site Blessing on Wednesday night in Sun Prairie. We will finish Session 2 in the James study on Tuesday morning, and next week both Tuesday and Wednesday sessions will continue with the beginning of Session 3. Thank you!

Sign up for Pastor Brenda to visit you! Pastor would like to visit you at home or at work if you would like a visit. In the narthex, you will find a clipboard sign up sheet for visits from Pastor Brenda. Please sign up and she will contact you to arrange a time to visit. Thank you!

Bible Study on James has begun! We meet on Tuesdays at 11:00am and another group meets on Wednesdays at 7:00pm. The same study will be on both Tuesday mornings and Wednesday evenings to provide opportunity for people available during day or night to attend. All are welcome to join at anytime.

Habitat for Humanity Stewardship is seeking donations for the Habitat for Humanity Summer Faith Build project! Donations can be enclosed in special envelopes provided in the Narthex. Simply drop these envelopes in the offering plate or mail/drop them off at the church office. Please indicate on the check memo line that it is for the Habitat Home!

The Sanctuary Piano needs replacing. A new Kawai has been found at Farleys House of Pianos in Madison. The cost will be about \$5,500. It would be wonderful to have it here for Rally Day in September! If you would like to donate monies to purchase the piano please note in the memo line: New Piano. Donations made be put in the offering at church or brought to the church office, 454 East Church Rd., Cambridge, WI 53523. Thank you for your support!

