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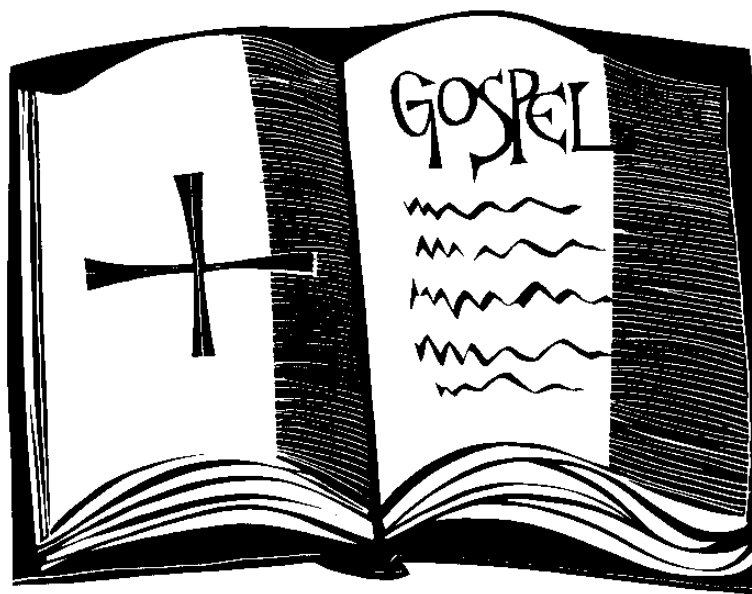
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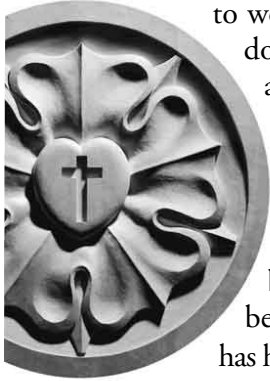
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That they may be one
even as we are one

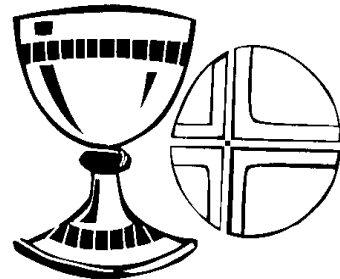


IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, WE WELCOME YOU. We encourage our visitors to worship with us often and to let us know if we can be of service. If you do not have a church home, the pastors will be happy to talk with you about membership here at Memorial. Please sign our Rite of Friendship booklet this morning so we may acknowledge your presence. Please pick up one of our visitor information packets from an usher as you exit the church.

THE CHURCH NURSERY is located in the blue nursery room in the building north of the sanctuary. Children up to three years of age may be left in the nursery. Please do not bring your child to the nursery if he/she has had a fever within the last hours, has a cough or might be contagious.

I HAVE MADE YOU KNOWN TO THEM... In this Easter time, the community has recalled its birth in the waters of Baptism, its own nature as a community of God's people, the Eucharist around which it gathers, the Shepherd who leads it, the word of love that shapes it, the Counselor who is God with us in our time of waiting, and the glory that has already been bestowed on us and the greater glory yet to come. Today Christ summons us to complete unity so all may know that the Father sent His Son into the world to love the world with the Father's own searching and redeeming love. Christ's love for us intends that all the barriers that divide us--exclusiveness of every kind--be overcome by the power of His redemption. Those who have received the Spirit know how good and pleasant it is when believers live together in unity. The Spirit leads Paul to Macedonia in Europe to preach the Gospel. The barrier between Jew and Gentile has been breached. Now the Gospel is propelled into another continent; Paul cannot linger in Asia. The Alpha and Omega is coming again. He desires that all be brought to the tree of life so they may live. The Spirit and the bride call to everyone, "Come!" The waters flowing from the Lamb's throne are to quench the thirst of all people of all time and all places.

TODAY AS WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION we will receive the body and blood of our Savior. We receive the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since the Lord's Supper is an expression of our common confession of the Christian faith, we ask that only those persons who are members of a congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod receive the Sacrament. Those who would like more information about this doctrine or any other teaching of the Lutheran Church are asked to speak with one of the pastors.



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May ,

(*Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service, Setting One, -*)

Preservice Music *Was Gott tut* J. Pachelbel

i Prelude *Lasst uns erfreuen* H. Schroeder

Entrance Hymn **Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**

Invocation (*The preparatory rite is omitted during the season of Easter.*)

Catechism (: a.m.) The Power of the Sacrament

P. How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

C. **Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.”**
These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.”

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (: a.m.)

Khloe Camille Coronado is receiving the washing of rebirth and renewal in the Holy Spirit in Holy Baptism.

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm : , - ; antiphon: Psalm :*

P. Hear my cry, | O God,*
listen | to my prayer;

C. **for you have been my | refuge,***
a strong tower against the | enemy.

P. For you, O God, have | heard my vows;*
you have given me the heritage of those who | fear your name.

C. **Prolong the life | of the king;***
may his years endure to all gener- | ations!

P. May he be enthroned forever be- | fore God;*
appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch | over him!

C. **So will I ever sing praises | to your name,***
as I perform my vows day | after day.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P. Hear my cry, | O God,*
listen | to my prayer.

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise This Is the Feast

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P. O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. Amen.

℣ The First Lesson Acts : - ESV p.
Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. ¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the Book of Psalms, "May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it"; and "Let another take his office." ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take

the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.”²⁶And

they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Gradual Hymn By All Your Saints in Warfare

Stanzas , ,

The Second Lesson Revelation
Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb² through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.³ No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him.⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.⁵ And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.⁶ And he said to me, “These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place.¹² Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done.¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”¹⁴ Blessed

: - , - ESV p.
are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates.¹⁵ Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.¹⁶ I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”¹⁷ The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.¹⁸ I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book,¹⁹ and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.²⁰ He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

Hymns **Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared
The Tree of Life**

Anthem (: a.m.) On God and Not on Human Trust J. Pachelbel

Canticle **O Lord, We Praise Thee**

Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

Hymn **Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus**


Postlude *Was Gott tut* A. Kaufmann

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Trumpet: Joshua Saenz, Christopher Clark

Sunday (May ,) Numbers : - Luke : - Psalm		Friday Numbers : - Luke : - Psalm
Monday Numbers : - Luke : - : Psalm		Saturday Numbers : - : Luke : - : Psalm
Tuesday Numbers : - Luke : - Psalm	Wednesday Numbers : - Luke : - Psalm	Sunday (May ,) Numbers : - Luke : - Psalm
	Thursday Numbers : - : Luke : - Psalm	

THE BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS that grace our chancel are given to the glory of God by Dorothy Williamson remembering her husband, Jim Williamson's birthday on May th and in thanksgiving for years of marriage to this unselfish and loving man. Flowers are given to the glory of God by Ross and Jessica Bartley in celebration of Charlie () and Bryn's () birthdays.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meets from : a.m. to : a.m. Preschool and kindergarten aged children have opening with Mrs. Lamberson in Sunday School room . Children follow their teachers to class and are dismissed in the Sunday School hallway at : a.m. Two year old children are accompanied by a parent and join Miss Patti in Sun-

day School room . The elementary aged children (st- th grades) have an opening in the Music Suite with Cantor Muth. Students are then picked up by their teachers and are dismissed at : a.m. in the Commons. Middle School class meets in room with Mr. Jeffers, and the High School class meets in the Youth Room with Pastor St-Onge. NOTE: Please arrive on time to pick up your children so that Sunday School teachers may arrive on time for church service.

GROWING IN CHRIST: Today's Sunday School lesson teaches the children that Jesus, our risen Savior, ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us there with Him (Acts : -). As a family, talk about heaven and what it will be like.

Look up passages in God's Word that speak of heaven, especially look at Revelation . Ask the children to tell you about Jesus' ascension and what it means for them.

HOLY BAPTISM: Today at the late service, Khloe Camille Coronado joins our Christian family through the holy waters of Baptism. Khloe is the daughter of Gilbert and Sarah Coronado. Pastor Murray is her sponsor and Guillermo Coronado and Crystal Reyna are her godparents. We welcome Khloe into our Christian family.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES: Pastor Murray is teaching the Gospel of St. Mark in the Fellowship Hall. Paul K. Broughton is teaching Christ in Today's Culture in Meeting Room . John and Kim Bohot and Mark and Ruth Hanson are starting a new segment of their class, entitled, "The Battle for your Child."

ADULT INSTRUCTION will meet for its final session today. Contact Pastor Murray by email at smurray@mlchouston.org, for questions regarding the class or to register for the fall class.

BAGELS AND BIBLE STUDY meets Tuesday mornings at : a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, completing a study of the Gospel of Matthew. Tuesday Eucharist follows in the church at : a.m.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE class meets at : a.m. in the church library. The

class is studying and Peter.

HANDBELL AND ADULT CHOIRS MEET THURSDAY: This week handbells will meet at : p.m. and adult choir at : p.m. Please call Cantor Muth, . , if you are interested in joining either group.

MEMORIAL MOMENTS is a daily devotion written and distributed by Pastor Murray. To join the mailing list, log on to www.memorialmoments.org and put your email address in the sign-up box.

PASTOR ST-ONGE'S BLOG can be found at houstonbelief.com. Go to houstonbelief.com/lutheran.

DYING TO LIVE: Join Pastor Murray Sundays on KKHT . FM at : p.m. Programs are available on demand at www.mlchouston.org and by podcast.

JUNIOR CONFIRMATION: Class will meet tonight at : p.m. in the Church Library.

NICARAGUA CHILD SPONSORSHIPS: With God's help, Memorial Lutheran Church will once again be able to sponsor children in the refugee village of Santa Patricia, Nicaragua. For only a year the children will receive school shoes, a school uniform, school books, a backpack, their school registration, and all their school supplies, plus two hours of Lutheran Catechism instruction and two hours of daily math instruction. If you would like to sponsor a child, please make your check payable to Memorial Lutheran Church and write Nicaragua

Child Sponsorship in the memo field of your check. If you would like to talk to someone about Nicaragua, John Coulter will be at the Nicaragua table in the Commons each Sunday between services.

NICARAGUA MISSION TRIP - DATE SET: Mark your calendars for June through July for the next mission trip to Nicaragua. The cost per person for this year's trip is . See John Coulter to sign up. Let John know if you need scholarship assistance to join the group on this mission trip.

CONGRATULATIONS: Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri, is honoring Memorial's own Mr. John Wittenmyer with the *Christus Vivit* award at their spring commencement exercises on May , . John serves on Concordia Seminary's Board of Regents. Congratulations, John!

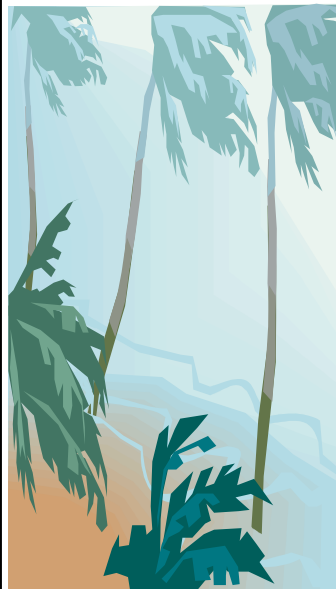
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Join us on June - from : a.m. - : p.m.. Kids ages years - th grade meet friends, explore Bible stories, do fun activities, sing great songs, make crafts, play games, and eat snacks. We expect a great response so enroll your child today. To register, fill out a registration form and place it in the box in the commons area or turn it into the school office. Forms may be found in the commons area or at the school office during the month of May. We are also looking for volunteers! We have a wide range of responsibilities. If you can help some

days, just one day, every day, or in advance, we have many levels of involvement to suit your schedule and interests. Please prayerfully consider being a part of the VBS team! Feel free to call Kim Bohot with any questions or to volunteer: . . . or kim.bohot@sbcglobal.net.



VOLUNTEER TRAINING FOR VBS: The date has been set for volunteer training for this year's Vacation Bible School. Set your calendars for May nd from : a.m. to : a.m. The training will take place in the Church Library. We are still in need of volunteers for *Planet Zoom* VBS. We need teachers, group leaders, helpers, and more. Please consider joining us! If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Kim Bohot at . . . or kim.bohot@sbcglobal.net.

GOODIES NEEDED FOR VBS: Each morning of VBS, we like to provide breakfast goodies for our volunteers. We would appreciate any donations of baked goods for our breakfast. If you can help please contact Kim Bohot at . . . or kim.bohot@sbcglobal.net.



P.E.P. (People Enjoying People)

The PEP Club, Memorial's Seniors (+) group, is planning a bus trip to Galveston on **Friday, May th**. The group will visit the site of twenty tree sculptures commissioned by the citizens to remember the destruction of hundreds of the island's trees in Hurricane Ike. Out of the destruction has come unexpected beauty and hope, most of which will be visible from the bus.

The bus, provided by the county at no charge, will depart at : a.m. from the church's Westheimer parking lot. After seeing the sculptures, the group will have lunch at a restaurant yet to be decided. The group should return to Memorial by : p.m. Please RSVP by May th by calling Florence Brimberry, . . . , Carol Mitschke, . . . , or Sylvia Atsinger,

LWIM (*Lutheran Women in Mission*)

May , at : p.m.

All Ladies of Memorial-

Please join us after late service Today, Sunday, May , for a Mother-Daughter Luncheon!

Mother-Daughter Luncheon



What a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and a time to share with our teenage and pre-teen daughters our roles in the church through LWIM!

Our LWIM sister, Mary Swanson, will be leading a presentation on God's good gift of skin and the God-given roles of our appearance as females. Her presentation will have a Scriptural focus involving the topic of appearance and modesty.

RSVP with Kim Bohot: kim.bohot@sbcglobal.net or A free will offering is encouraged to cover the cost of the lunch.



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CALENDAR FOR MAY -

TODAY:

- : Divine Service
- : Adult Bible Study; Sunday School
- : Divine Service
- : Adult Instruction
- : Junior Confirmation
- : Junior Youth Group

MONDAY:

- : MLS Chapel
- : English for Beginners

TUESDAY:

- : Bagels & Bible Study
- : Tuesday Eucharist Service
- : English Conv. & Pronunciation
- : Bible Study
- : Young Adult Bible Study

WEDNESDAY:

- : English for Beginners
- : Private Confession & Absolution
- : Dinner & Fellowship
- : CEN Classes
- : Vespers

THURSDAY:

- : English Conv. & Pronunciation
- : Handbells
- : Adult Choir

FRIDAY:

- : English for Beginners
- : MLS Spring Musical

SATURDAY:

- : Men's Bible Study Breakfast
- : Men's Bible Study Class
- : VBS Volunteer Training
- : WRHC Follow-up Meeting

SUNDAY:

- Confirmation & New Member Sunday
- : Divine Service
- : Adult Bible Study; Sunday School
- : Divine Service
- : Adult Instruction
- : Youth Group

Attendance May :	Through May :
Tuesday Morning Service:	Year-to-date Budgeted Offerings: ,
Offering received May : ,	Year-to-date Actual Offerings: ,
	Amount above/(below) Budget: (,)
ELDERS ON DUTY	
Early: Paul Lodholz Timothy Taylor	Late: Greg Koch Mark Tackett
USHERS ON DUTY	
Early: Charles Corbin Steve Emshoff Greg Renzelman Neil Matthys Adam Helleck	Late: Jason Ogden David Payne David Dasari Jonathan Bahr Bill Bahr
ALTAR GUILD	
Early: Hilary Murray Vicki Harvey	Late: Sylvia Atsinger Nikki Leech
ACOLYTES ON DUTY	
Early: Tom Harvey	Late: Joshua Cadungog