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**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 28, 2024**

PASTOR	John Russell-Curry
GREETER	Mary Jo Knudsen
READER/ASSISTING MINISTER	Marc Medefind
USHERS	Dave Bettis
ORGANIST/PIANIST	Beth Loreda

**This Week**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>10 AM</b> Worship Service
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>11:30 AM</b> Church Women United
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>9 AM</b> Church Clean-up

**Attendance for last week 32**  
**and via Zoom 1**

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Greeting - ELW 147  
Gathering Hymn **Beneath the Cross of Jesus – ELW 338**  
Confession and Forgiveness - ELW 95  
Kyrie – ELW 147  
Canticle of Praise - ELW 149  
Prayer of the Day  
First Reading -- Psalm -- Epistle Reading  
Message for Young at Heart  
Special Music  
Gospel Announcement, Acclamation - ELW 151  
Message  
Hymn of the Day **Shepherd of Love**  
Nicene Creed ELW 104  
Prayers of Intercession  
Offering, Offertory and Prayer  
Great Thanksgiving - ELW 152 - Pastor's Preface  
Our Response - ELW 153  
Lord's Prayer - ELW 154  
Words of Institution  
Confession Song - ELW 154  
Distribution  
Prayer After Communion  
Blessing  
Sending Song **Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart – ELW 873 (vs. 1, 2, 3, & 6)**  
Announcements -- Dismissal

**FOR THE GATHERED**

This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.

**Upcoming Events – Mark your Calendar**

**May 5** Worship Service  
**May 12** Worship Service  
**May 16** Birthday Luncheon, Elks Club  
**May 19** Worship Service  
Congregational Meeting

**Prayers for healing:**

Lucas Arnold, Betty Madsen; Gleneda Muralt; Dorothy Woody; Joel Knox; Susan Kateley; Rosie Sullivan; Karen Darby; Eric Smith; Lynette Figueroa's nephew & mother; Gleneda Muralt's niece, Shereida; Lynette Figueroa; Nan Dailey; Kimberly Castillo's daughter Jillian and mother-in-law Lupe; Pam Andersen; Pastor John Russell-Curry and his family; Warren Westerberg; Jan & Joe Collins; Sylvia Poupard; Jeane & David Hetland; Penny Waha; Annie Sofranek; Susanne Smith; David Cherf; and people who are ill around the world.

We lift prayers for our Benevolence of the Month, **Mt. Cross Ministries** and for our Sierra Pacific Synod Bishop, **Jeff Johnson**.