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Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18, 2025

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Donald Gumm
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This Week

TODAY

10 AM Worship Service
MONDAY

10 AM Council Meeting

Attendance for last week 33 and via Zoom 4

Please respect the sanctity of worship and turn off all cell phones. Thank you.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting – ELW 147

Gathering Song –All Are Welcome – ELW 641 (vs. 1, 4, & 5)

Confession and Forgiveness - ELW 94

Kyrie – ELW 147

Canticle of Praise – ELW 148

Prayer of the Day

First Reading -- Psalm -- Epistle Reading

Message for Young at Heart – Passing of the Peace

Special Music

Gospel Announcement, Acclamation – ELW 151

Message

Hymn of the Day – The Church's One Foundation – ELW 654 (vs. 1, 3, & 5)

Apostles' Creed - ELW 105

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 – On Our Way Rejoicing – ELW

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Announcements

Dismissal

FOR THE GATHERED

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.

Upcoming Events - Mark your Calendar
May 25 Worship Service
Congregational Meeting
May 26 Memorial Day—Office Closed

Prayers for healing:

Dave Bettis; 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; Sylvia Poupard; Jeane & David Hetland; Penny Waha; Annie Sofranek; David Cherf; and people who are ill around the world.

We lift prayers for our Benevolence of the Month, Shepherd of the Valley/Healthy House Garden Project Ministry and for our Sierra Pacific Synod Bishop, Jeff Johnson.