

# The Fifth Sunday of Easter

## Cantate

May 2, 2021

*We have returned to using hymnals in the church! The online bulletin has changed along with the in-person bulletin. Hymns are no longer included, but can be found in the Lutheran Service Book (LSB). You can purchase copies of LSB through [cph.org](http://cph.org) or on Amazon. If you'd like to borrow a hymnal from the church to use for online services, please let us know.*

**Divine Service Setting 3** LSB 184

*Stand and face the processional cross.*

**Processional Hymn** "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" **LSB 465**

**Confession and Absolution** *LSB 184*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

**Introit**

*Ps. 98:1b, 3–4; antiphon: Ps. 98:1a, 2b*



Sing to the LORD a new song, Alle- | luia,\*

for he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alle- | luia.

**His right hand and his | holy arm\*  
have worked salva- | tion for him.**

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of | Israel.\*

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.

**Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;\*  
break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!**

**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.**

Sing to the LORD a new song, Alle- | luia,\*

for he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alle- | luia.

**Kyrie**

*LSB 186*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187



**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



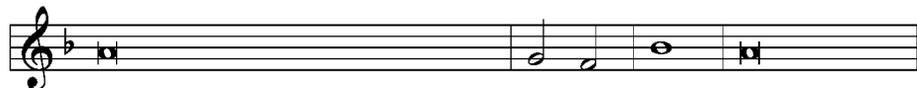
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



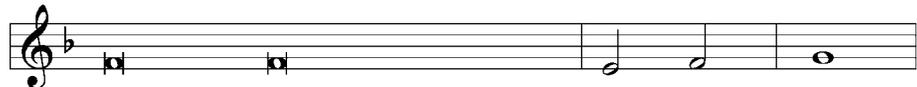
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 189

**P** Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

Old Testament

Isaiah 12:1-6

<sup>1</sup>You will say in that day:

“I will give thanks to you, O LORD,  
for though you were angry with me,  
your anger turned away,  
that you might comfort me.

<sup>2</sup>“Behold, God is my salvation;  
I will trust, and will not be afraid;  
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,  
and he has become my salvation.”

<sup>3</sup>With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. <sup>4</sup>And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the LORD,  
call upon his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples,  
proclaim that his name is exalted.

<sup>5</sup>“Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;  
let this be made known in all the earth.

<sup>6</sup>Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

James 1:16–21

<sup>16</sup>Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. <sup>17</sup>Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup>Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

<sup>19</sup>Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup>for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. <sup>21</sup>Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand and face the processional cross as it is carried to the center of the nave for the Gospel reading.*

## Alleluia and Verse

LSB 190; Ps. 118:16; Rom. 6:9



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

**L** The right hand of the | LORD exalts,\*  
the right hand of the LORD does | valiantly!



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

**L** We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never | die again;\*  
death no longer has dominion | over him.

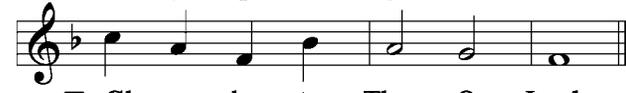


**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

John 16:5–15

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

<sup>12</sup>‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*Turn to face the processional cross as it is carried back to its place.*

## Nicene Creed

LSB 191

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
 and was made man;  
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
 and ascended into heaven  
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
 dead,  
 whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the Lord and giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*  
**Hymn of the Day** “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” **LSB 556**  
*Choir stanzas 3 and 7*

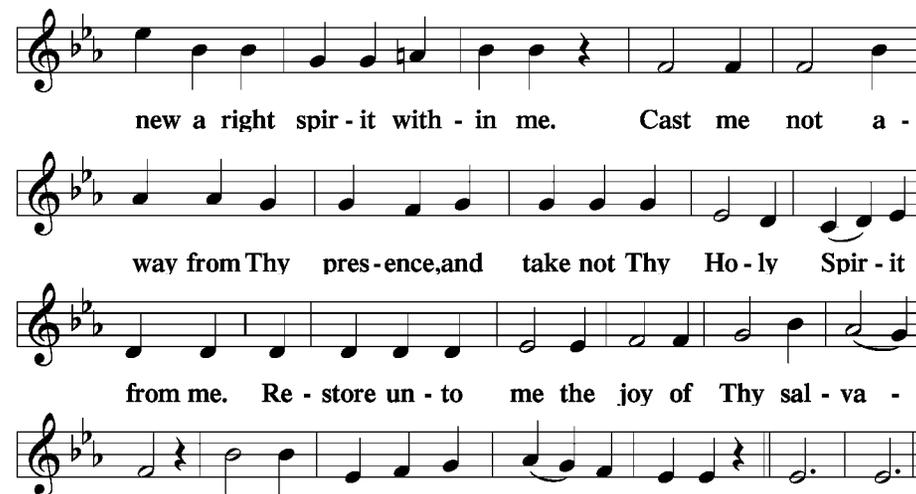
**Prayer** *LSB 422*  
**C** On my heart imprint your image,  
 Blessed Jesus, king of grace,  
 That life’s riches, cares, and pleasures  
 Never may your work erase;  
 Let the clear inscription be:  
 Jesus, crucified for me,  
 Is my life, my hope’s foundation,  
 And my glory and salvation!

**Sermon** *Rev. Chris Hull*

*Stand*  
**Offertory** *LSB 192*



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

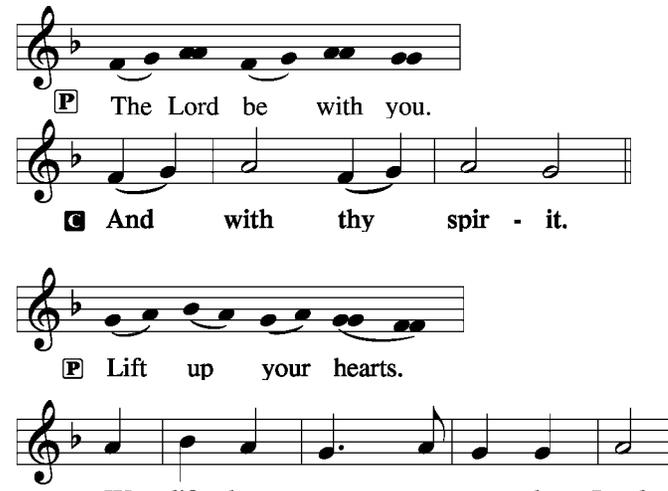
*Sit*  
**Hymn** “Our Father, Who from Heaven Above” **LSB 766, sts. 1-3**

*Offerings may be placed in the plate located near the reception desk in the narthex.*

*Stand*  
**Prayer of the Church**

**Service of the Sacrament**

**Preface** *LSB 194*



**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**G** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God ... with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

LSB 195



**G** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

**G** 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 Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

LSB 197



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**G** A - men.

### Agnus Dei

LSB 198



**G** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

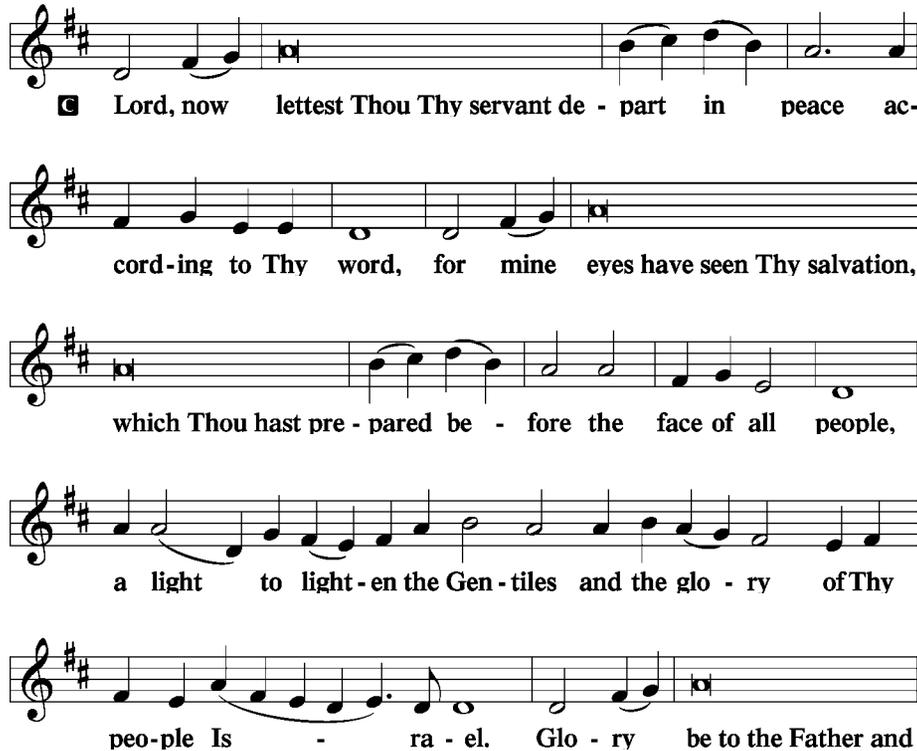
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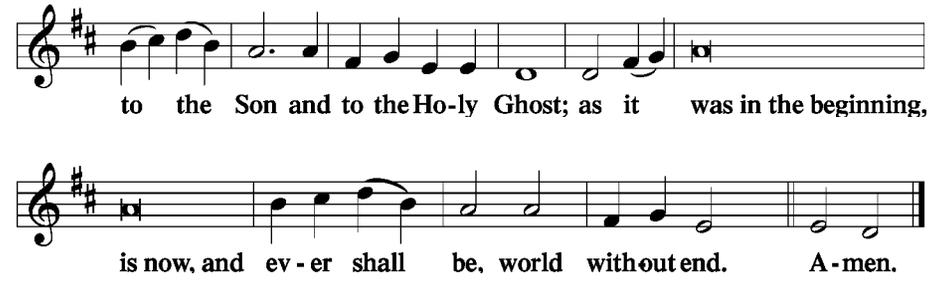
- Distribution**
- “O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright” **LSB 874**
  - “Our Father, Who from Heaven Above” **LSB 766, sts. 4-9**
  - “This Is the Feast” **LSB 155**
  - “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” **LSB 790**

Stand

**Nunc Dimittis** LSB 199



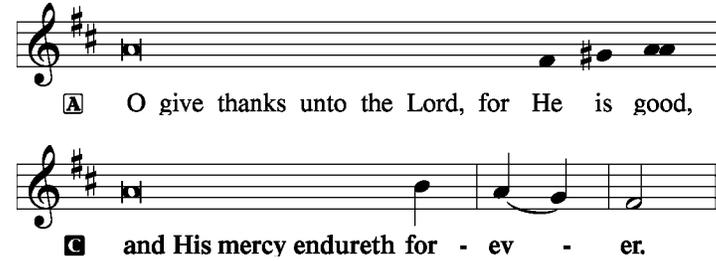
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace accord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A-men.

**Thanksgiving**

LSB 200



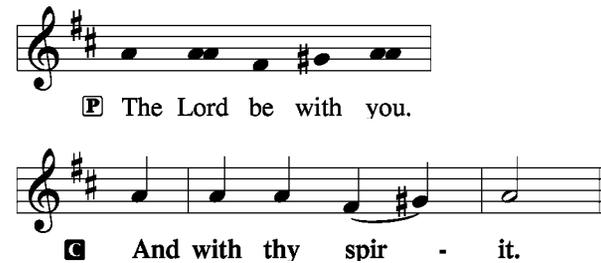
O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

- A** Let us pray.  
 We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - men.

**Salutation and Benedicamus**



The Lord be with you.  
 And with thy spir - it.



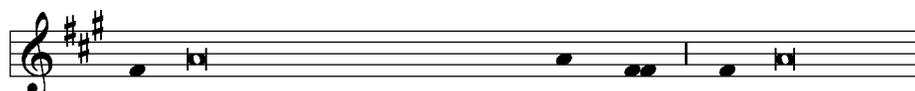
**A** Bless we the Lord.



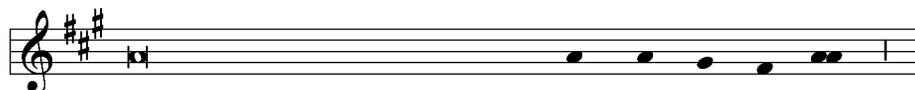
**C** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

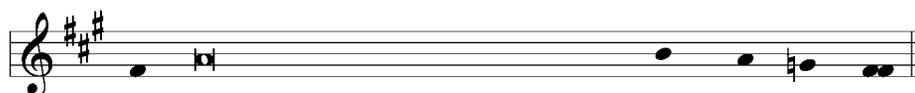
LSB 202



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



**C** A-men. a-men. a - men.

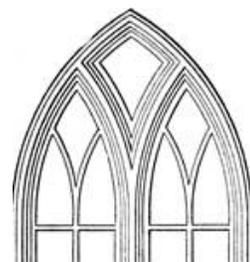
*Please turn to face the processional cross as it moves through the nave during the closing hymn. Once the cross exits the nave, you may turn to face the front.*

### Closing Hymn

“To God the Holy Spirit, Let Us Pray”

LSB 768

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Today is Cantate Sunday, a Sunday that is done with a voice of singing. What is the difference between singing and just speaking something? Well, when we sing, we have a level of excitement and joy that intensifies the words that are coming out of our mouths. What do we the baptized confessed with a voice of singing? We confess the work of the Holy Spirit as Jesus says, “He will glorify me, for he will

take what is mine and declare it to you.” We declare the work of the Holy Spirit with a voice of singing because the work of the Holy Spirit is to declare us forgiven in the preaching of the Gospel and the distribution of the sacraments. The Holy Spirit forgives us by handing over to us the gifts of the cross, meaning forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. We sing because we are excited to receive this gift, we are overjoyed to receive this blessing from God that we have neither merited nor deserved. Thanks be to God that the Holy Spirit has gathered us here today to sing of the joys we have in the forgiveness of our sins that is declared to us by the Holy Spirit, through the mouth of the pastor, who stands in the stead of Christ to cover us in the righteousness of Jesus forever. Amen.

### News and Announcements

**Church Picnic:** Come out and join us for a church picnic TODAY after the late service! A picnic lunch of burgers, hot dogs, and brats will be provided outside along with lots of outdoor games. Cards and board games will also be available in the gym for those who need to escape the heat. Come enjoy fellowship with your church family!

**Youth Brisket Sale:** The youth group is raising funds for their trip to Higher Things and will be having a brisket sale on May 9<sup>th</sup>! We will be selling whole and half briskets as well as individual pounds. Slicing available. **See the half-sheet insert in the bulletin to order.** Give the order form to a member of the youth group, Kevin or Brandi Wilkinson, Pastor or Allison Hull. Thank you for your support!

**Ascension Service:** The Ascension of Our Lord is a major feast day in the church year – it even gets a mention in the creed! It falls 40 days after Easter – this year on Thursday, May 13. Join us at 6:30 PM on May 13 for a Divine Service to celebrate our Lord’s ascension into heaven!

**May Newsletter:** The May edition of the Zion Watchman, our monthly newsletter, is available in the narthex!

**Voters' Meeting:** The second quarterly regular business meeting of Zion Lutheran Church for 2021 will be held **May 16** in the Family Center gym at 1:15 pm. A **potluck lunch** will be held prior to the meeting at 12:15 pm – please bring a dish to share. At this meeting, reports will be given by the boards and committees of the congregation. All communicant members of the congregation over the age of 18 are eligible to vote after they have attended at least one regular business meeting within the last 12 months. Now is the time to get involved in the work that God has given us to do here at Zion.

**“Bountiful Goodness” Cookbook Project:** Don't forget to submit your recipes for the cookbook project! We have plenty of room for more! If you've already sent in a few, don't hesitate to send in some more if you would like. Drop your recipes off at the church office during the week or the reception desk on Sunday morning. Contact Betty Fussell for more information:  
Email: [btj.fuss70@gmail.com](mailto:btj.fuss70@gmail.com) Tel: 832-754-3707

**Offering Counters Needed:** We are looking for two people to count offerings after late service on **week 2 of each month**. If you are willing to give your time and talents to assist in counting offerings, please contact Glenn Halfacre at [glenn.halfacre@gmail.com](mailto:glenn.halfacre@gmail.com) or 281-642-5437.

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### *Devotional Resources*

The **Zion at Prayer booklet** contains a brief daily prayer outline and daily devotions written by Pastor Hull, appropriate for individual and/or family use. A new booklet is available each Sunday in the narthex and via email.

The **Zion Watchman** is our monthly newsletter, containing articles from our pastors and other members, information, announcements, birthdays and other anniversaries. The newsletter is usually made available the last Sunday of the month or the first Sunday, and can be picked up on the narthex table or via email.

The **Lutheran Witness** is a monthly magazine produced by the LCMS. Each issue covers a specific topic and includes lots of helpful articles. It also contains the Texas Messenger, a monthly newsletter from the Texas District. New editions of the Witness are usually available the second Sunday of the month, and are available on the narthex table.

**Portals of Prayer** are daily devotions published quarterly by the LCMS and available on the narthex table.

### *Online Resources*

Our **Facebook** page hosts live videos throughout the week, as well as announcements and other information:  
<https://www.facebook.com/ZionLutheranChurchTomballTexas> You can view the videos and other resources on our Facebook page even if you don't have a Facebook account.

Our **YouTube** account hosts our live-streamed services and recorded sermons:  
<https://www.youtube.com/ZionLCMSLutheranChurchinTomballTX>

