



# ST. ELISABETH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*The Fifth Sunday of Easter*

April 28, 2024

10:00 AM

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Welcome to Saint Elisabeth's. We are delighted to have you with us this today.



*True Vine*

*This faith community invites all persons to all levels of participation, leadership and decision-making within the church regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, socioeconomic and marital status. We seek to establish meaningful connections with one another through work and play and worship as we strive to understand God's purpose for us in the church and in the world.*

## **Easter**

Easter, the oldest celebration of the Christian year, is not a single day but an entire season: Easter lasts fifty days, from Easter Day (the Sunday of the Resurrection) through the Day of Pentecost. The season also includes the feast of the Ascension, when the resurrected Jesus ascended to heaven and was seen on earth no longer. Throughout the year every Sunday — even during Lent — is considered a little Easter, a mini feast of the resurrection on what Christians have called the first day of the week. The primary theme of Easter is the resurrection: on this day Jesus was raised from the dead, overcoming the power of death and the grave. We celebrate that we, too, are raised to everlasting life with him in our baptism.

At Pentecost we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the ongoing life of the Holy Spirit in the church today. It is the Holy Spirit who breathes life into the Body of Christ, the church; it is the Holy Spirit who provides the gifts and guidance needed to sustain our life. At every Eucharist we pray that the Holy Spirit will sanctify the bread and wine of communion to be “the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.” We also pray that the Spirit will “sanctify us also” so that we may receive the Eucharist with faith and serve God “in unity, constancy, and peace.” It is the Holy Spirit who makes God present and alive in our hearts.

*-From Daily Prayer for All Seasons*

## **Entering in...**

Ultimately our greatest joy is when we seek to do good for others. It's how we are made. We're wired to be compassionate.

Desmond Tutu

## **Practice** – Orthopraxy

Go out of your way to be compassionate this week. Reap the joy of being caring to be generous to another.

# Holy Eucharist

## Prelude

Jim Baur, *guitar*

*Please stand, as you are able, and join in singing.*

## Opening Hymn

Hymnal 296

“We know that Christ is raised and dies no more”

*Engelberg*



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows \_\_\_\_\_



Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; \_\_\_\_\_  
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life \_\_\_\_\_  
 The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. \_\_\_\_\_  
 as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. \_\_\_\_\_



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. \_\_\_\_\_  
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le -  
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. \_\_\_\_\_  
 The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: \_\_\_\_\_



lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

## Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*Assembly* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## Song of Praise

Hymnal 178

“Alleluia, Alleluia”

*Alleluia No. 1*

*Refrain*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the  
 ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give  
 Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.  
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.  
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

*Repeat Refrain*

He is the King of cre - a - tion.  
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.  
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -  
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

**Collect**

*Presider* God be with you.

*Assembly* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*Assembly* **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the readings.*

**First Reading**

Acts 8:26-40

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the

eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Assembly* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

Psalm 22:24-30

*Antiphon*



- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*  
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: \*  
"May your heart live for ever!" [Antiphon]
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, \*  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; \*  
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*  
all who go down to the dust fall before him. [Antiphon]
- 29 My soul shall live for him;  
my descendants shall serve him; \*  
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*  
the saving deeds that he has done. [Antiphon]

**Second Reading**

1 John 4:7-21

A Reading from the first letter of John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

*Reader*            Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Assembly*        **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## Gospel Acclamation



*All face the Gospel Book.*

### Gospel

John 15:1-8

*Gospeler*            The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.  
*Assembly*           **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

*Gospeler*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
*Assembly*           **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### Sermon

The Rev. Larry Handwerk


*A period of silence follows. Please stand as you are able for the creed and prayers.*




## Creed

Moravian Book of Worship 699


"We Believe in God the Father"

*Lux Eoi*



1 We be-lieve in God the Fa-ther, God Al-might - y, by whose plan  
2 Christ, who on the cross for-sak-en, like a lamb to slaugh-ter led,  
3 We be-lieve in God the Spir-it; in one church, be - low, a - bove:



earth and heav-en sprang to be-ing, all cre-at-ed things be-gan.  
suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, he de-scend-ed to the dead.  
saints of God in one com-mu-nion, one in ho-li-ness and love.



We be-lieve in Christ the Sav-ior, Son of God in hu-man frame,  
We be-lieve in Je-sus ris-en, heav-en's king to rule and reign,  
So by faith, our sins for-giv-en, Christ our Sav-ior, Lord and Friend,



vir-gin-born, the child of Mar-y up-on whom the Spir-it came.  
to the Fa-ther's side as-cend-ed till as judge he comes a-gain.  
we shall rise with him in glo-ry to the life that knows no end.

## Prayers of the People

*BCP Form VI, adapted*

<i>Intercessor</i>	In peace, we pray to you, O God. <i>(Silence)</i>
<i>Assembly</i>	For all people in their daily life and work; <b>For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.</b>
<i>Intercessor</i>	For this community, the nation, and the world;
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.</b>
<i>Intercessor</i>	For the just and proper use of your creation;
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.</b>
<i>Intercessor</i>	For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.</b>
<i>Intercessor</i>	For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.</b>
<i>Intercessor</i>	For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Paula our Bishop; and all bishops and other ministers;
<i>Assembly</i>	<b>For all who serve God in his Church.</b>
<i>Intercessor</i>	For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, those who have asked for our prayers, especially:  <u>Viola</u> Bradshaw <u>Susan</u> Chadd <u>Anna, Ian and</u> their baby <u>Raymond</u> , Fred Johnston's friends <u>Darance</u> Teapthorng <u>Alan</u> Damascus <u>Izzy</u> Thomson <u>Benjamin</u> Whipple and family <u>The people of Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine</u> <u>All those affected by gun violence</u> <u>The people of Baltimore</u>
	are there others?... <i>(Silence)</i>
<i>Assembly</i>	Hear us, O God. <b>For your mercy is great.</b>

*Intercessor* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*(Silence)*

We will exalt you;

*Assembly* **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

*Intercessor* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternity.

*(Silence)*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*Assembly* **Who put their trust in you.**

## Confession and Absolution

*All Creation Sings*

*Presider* Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Assembly* **To you, O God, all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*Presider* By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

*Assembly* **Amen.**

## Peace

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*Assembly* **And also with you.**

*The ministers and congregation greet one another in the peace of God. Please be seated for the announcements.*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Blessings for Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Travelers

*Those traveling and those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing.*

#### Birthdays

4-29 Mike MacKinnon

5-2 Maeve Edelston

#### Anniversaries

4-29 Anne & Hall Healy

# Holy Communion

## Offertory Sentence

*Presider* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

## Collection

*Thank you for your generous giving to the mission and ministry of St. Elisabeth's church. You can leave a donation in the offering plate or use your phone to scan the QR code to donate online.*



## Offertory Music

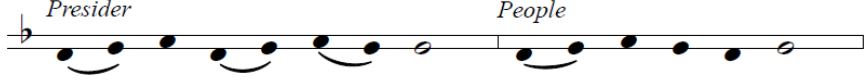
Jim Baur, *guitar*

## The Great Thanksgiving

*All Creation Sings*

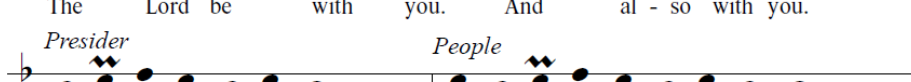
*Please stand as you are able.*

*Presider*    *People*



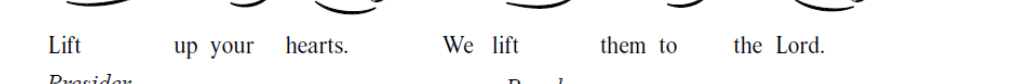
The Lord be with you.      And al - so with you.

*Presider*    *People*



Lift up your hearts.          We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider*    *People*



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.      It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Presider*      It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death,

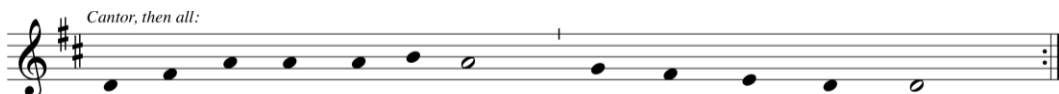
and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Sanctus

## “Sanctus”


*Corpus Christi Mass*

*Cantor, then all:*




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might.

*Cantor:*




Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

*Cantor, then all:*




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

*All:*





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

*Cantor:*



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

*Cantor, then all:* *Last time* 



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

*Please remain standing or kneel, as you are able.*

*Presider*

Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth. You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys, and taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying; This is my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

*Assembly*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Presider*

Pour out your Holy Spirit in this sacred meal, and make us one in this community of faith and with your people throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you, O God, Author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever.

*Assembly*

**Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

*Presider*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Assembly*

**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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## Breaking of the Bread

*The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

### Fraction Anthem

“Jesus, Lamb of God”

*Corpus Christi Mass*

*Cantor*

1. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Bear - er of our sins,
2. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Sav - ior of the world, have
3. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Bread come down from heav'n,
4. Je - sus, Lamb of God, Shep - herd of our souls,

*Assembly:* *repeat as needed*

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

*Cantor:*

5. Je - sus, Lamb of God, gen - tle Prince of peace,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Assembly:*

Grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Invitation to Communion

*Presider*                    The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing at this time.*

*Gluten-free host available upon request.*

*If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

*If you are unable to come forward for any reason,  
please inform an usher so our clergy can bring communion to you in the pew.*

## Music during Communion

*All are invited to sing.*

Hymnal 513

“Like the murmur of the Dove’s Song”

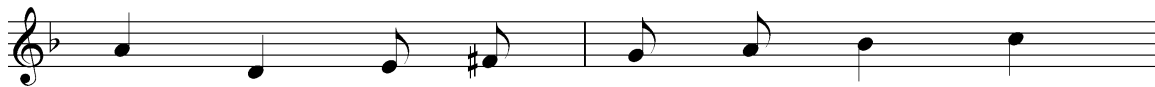
*Bridegroom*



1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the  
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's Bo - dy, to the  
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the



chal - lenge of her flight, like the vig - or of the  
branch - es of the Vine, to the Church in faith as -  
cease - less voice of prayer, with the power to love and



wind's rush, like the new flame's ea - ger  
sem - bled, to her midst as gift and  
wit - ness, with the peace be - yond com -



might:            come, ——— Ho - ly Spi - rit,    come.  
sign:            come, ——— Ho - ly Spi - rit,    come.  
pare:            come, ——— Ho - ly Spi - rit,    come.



## Post Communion Prayer

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Presider* Let us pray.

*Assembly* **O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing

*Presider* The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

*Assembly* **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

Hymnal 304

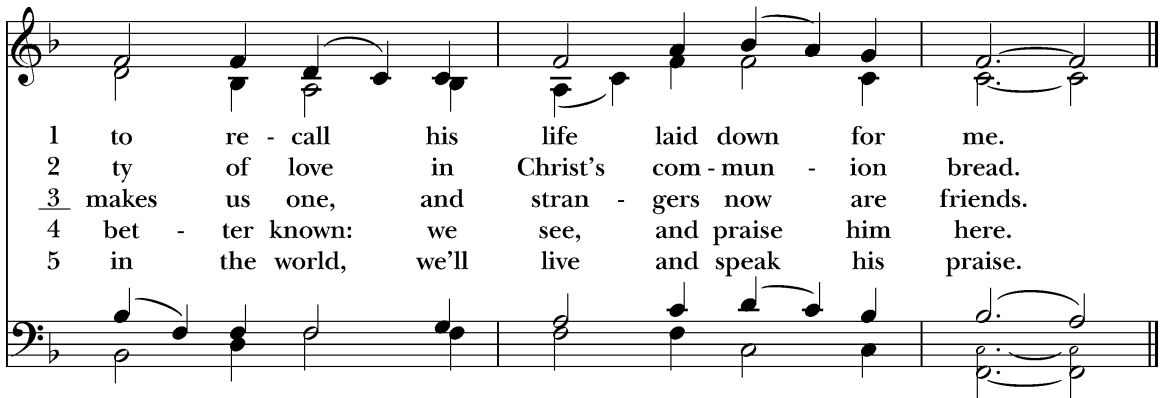
"I come with joy to meet my Lord"

*Land of Rest**Unison or harmony*


1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll



1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple



1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

## Dismissal

*Presider*            Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*Assembly*            **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## Postlude

Jim Baur, *guitar*

*You are invited to come forward to listen to the postlude. If you need to leave before the conclusion, please do so quietly.*

*All are invited for coffee hour and conversation down the hall in the dining room immediately following the service. Sunday school for children is offered on the second floor.*

## Assisting Today

First Reading	Polly Baur
Second Reading	Susan Newcomb
Prayers	Hall Healy
Altar Guild	Libby Hinds, Glenna Foley
Usher	Robert Fischer
Coffee Hour	The Baur Family and Susan Newcomb

## This Week

Monday, April 29	AA Meeting (8:00 PM)
Wednesday, May 1	Boy Scout Meeting (7:15 PM)
Thursday, May 2	Spoken Eucharist Rite II (7:30 AM) Choir Rehearsal (7:30 PM)
Friday, May 3	Bible Study (11:00 AM)
Saturday, May 4	Confirmation Service at Trinity (11:00 AM)

## Up Next

<u>Sunday, May 5</u>	Spoken Eucharist: Rite I (8:00 AM) Choir Rehearsal (9:00 AM) Choral Eucharist: Rite II (10:00 AM) Coffee Hour, Forum, & Sunday School (11:00 AM)
May 9	Spoken Eucharist: Rite II (7:30 AM) Choir Rehearsal (7:30 PM)
May 10	Bible Study (11:00 AM)
May 11	Family Worship & Potluck (4:30 PM)

## Announcements

**TODAY:**



**MISERICORDIA  
HEART OF MERCY**

home to over 600 residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities on the northside of Chicago and home to **Sarah Cline** who is sister to Polly & Jim Baur and daughter to Linda & Skip Cline and a member of our St. E's community.

Misericordia Candy Days is this weekend and we'll be celebrating as part of today's **10:00 AM service**. If you are not familiar, Misericordia is an organization that is

St. E's has been an incredible supporter to Candy Days over the years for which we are so grateful. You are able to donate via the QR code & link below.



Thank you for your  
donation!  
Polly, Jim, Duke &  
Rocky Baur

<https://secure.frontstream.com/misericordiacandydays2024/participant/PollyBaur>

## Announcements

**Volunteer with Soup Kitchen** For some 30 years we have been partnering with First United Methodist Church of Evanston to staff a soup kitchen 6 times a year. Typically we take the second Thursday of every odd numbered month (January, March, etc.). We provide the food and the volunteers to pack and serve that food. The time requirement is not great: either 1-2 hours in the afternoon in Glencoe and/or 2-3 hours in the early evening in Evanston.

We also welcome contributions to the fund to purchase the food. We typically cater to 60-80 diners, serve them a hot dinner and a sack lunch for the next day. We welcome newcomers. Just contact John Tuohy or Susan Newcomb for details, dates, directions and the like.

**Volunteers Needed:** Have you ever wondered how we get communion set up for each of our church services or why we use different colors for different seasons in the church? Did you know that the Altar Guild has its roots in the most ancient and sacred traditions of Jesus' ministry? And it's not just for women... in fact at several churches Altar Guilds include men, women and even teenagers.



Our Altar Guild at St. Elisabeth is responsible for the preparation of the Altar including setting up communion supplies, changing of the church linens and refilling our candles. It is also an opportunity to work closely with Adam as we set up and clean up after services. It is also a relatively low time commitment and easy way to help our community.

**We are now in need of new volunteers to join our small but mighty crew that help with our set up and clean up after our services.** If you are interested, please reach out to Polly Baur ([polly.baur@gmail.com](mailto:polly.baur@gmail.com) / 773-818-3738) or Adam.

**Pastoral needs, hospital calls, nursing/rehab and home-bound parishioners:** If you have a pastoral need or emergency and would like to speak to Fr. Spencer, or know of someone who would like to schedule a pastoral visit, please contact Adam by phoning the office at 847-835-0458 and leave a private message in the rector's voicemail. You can also email Adam at [rector@steglencoe.org](mailto:rector@steglencoe.org)

## Announcements

**Weekday Worship:** Come join Adam before work or school at **7:30 AM every Thursday** for a short service of Holy Communion with a brief homily on the readings assigned for the day.

**St. Elisabeth's Bible Study** meets weekly on **Fridays at 11:00 AM** in the Guild Room. At the next study, we will be reading Luke chapters 7-8. For more information, contact Larry Whipple.

**Sunday Forum** We will gather **weekly at Coffee Hour after the 10:00 AM service** in the Guild Room. We will discuss the day's readings, sermon, liturgy, music and whatever else is on folks' minds. These conversations will be facilitated by the Rector. On select Sundays, we will continue to have guest speakers and teachers on various topics.

**Family Promise** provides free family shelter to families with children – keeping families together during a time of homelessness, unlike other homeless shelters separate families by female/male. Family Promise also offers training, budgeting and other support to help families move from homelessness to success. Because St. Elisabeth cannot house families in our church; we partner with two other churches.

We need volunteers to help cook meals, stay overnight or just help serve meals. Homeless families with children want someone to talk with and someone to interact with their children.

We help three to five times per year for one week at a time. There is a sign-up online for dinners or sleepovers. It is easy, helpful, fulfilling and very efficient. It is good to share a meal with people in need.

For more information, please contact Robert Fischer, Lauren Edelston, Carrie Mygatt or Carla Arnell.

**Better Together Confirmation Service** Zuzu Arnell will be confirmed by Bishop Clark along with the rest of our Better Together Confirmation Class at a **Confirmation Service** on **Saturday, May 4th at 11:00 AM at Trinity Church in Highland Park**. If you're able, please come and join in this celebration with Zuzu, her sponsor Kara Superfine, and the rest of the confirmands.

**The Episcopal Diocese of Chicago**

The Rt. Rev. Paula Clark, *Bishop*

**Saint Elisabeth's Episcopal Church**

**Clergy & Staff**

The Rev. Adam Spencer  
The Rev. Larry Handwerk  
Walter Aldrich  
Pam Green  
Elizabeth Clemmitt  
Seán Hansen  
Abigail Pribble

*Rector*  
*Assisting Priest*  
*Director of Music*  
*Director of Administration*  
*Associate for Spiritual Wellness*  
*Seminarian*  
*Director of Children's Formation*

**2024 Vestry**

Leslie Alter, *Warden*  
Carla Arnell  
Susanne Arnell  
Robert Fischer

Fred Johnston  
Robin Lake, *Warden*  
Claire Lesperance  
Carrie Miller-Mygatt

Ross Shanley-Roberts  
Kara Superfine  
Mark Tilton, *Treasurer*  
John Tuohy, *asst. Treasurer*

**Sunday Schedule**



8:00 AM Spoken Eucharist: Rite I  
9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  
10:00 AM Choral Eucharist: Rite II  
11:00 AM Coffee Hour, Forum, and Sunday School

**Office Hours**

Tuesday by appointment, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
Pastoral Care Number: 847-786-3082

*We at St. Elisabeth's share an adventurous spirit and a commitment  
to radiate God's love within and beyond our red doors.*