

AES MINISTRIES
EAST SVEAD AHL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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"Congregations joined in faith and fellowship to spread God's love."

Mission statement of AES Ministries

Welcome to all who worship with us today! All are welcome at the Lord's Table!

WORSHIP SETTING 3

PRELUDE, RINGING OF THE BELL, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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GATHERING SONG

"How Great Thou Art"

#856

APOSTOLIC GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray

C: Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 17:22-31

²² Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What there-fore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we, too, are his offspring.' ²⁹ "Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 66:8-20

⁸ Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

⁹ **Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.**

¹⁰ For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.

¹¹ **You brought us into the net; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

¹² You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

- ¹³ **I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows—**
¹⁴ those that I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
¹⁵ **I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the smoke of rams; I will give you oxen and goats.**
¹⁶ Come and listen, all you who believe, and I will tell you what God has done for me.
¹⁷ **I called out to God with my mouth, and praised the Lord with my tongue.**
¹⁸ If I had cherished evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me;
¹⁹ **but in truth God has heard me and has attended to the sound of my prayer.**
²⁰ Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld unfailing love from me.

SECOND READING I Peter 3:13-22

¹³ Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵ but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia”

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HOLY GOSPEL John 14:15-21

P: The holy gospel according to John, the fourteenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

#781

APOSTLES' CREED

Back of the hymnal

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING THE PEACE

THE OFFERING RECEIVED

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Give Thanks”

Insert

OFFERTORY PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

Here at East Sveadahl we are committed to the inclusion of all God's people, with no ex-

ception. Therefore, we practice open communion, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Juice (light color) and wine (dark red) are both available. Individually wrapped gluten free wafers are available as well. If you would like to receive communion, but are unable to physically come forward, please indicate that to an usher and communion will be brought to you.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN "Let Us Break Bread Together" #471

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!" #369
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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. You are God's beloved. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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Lector: Wayne Jurgens May 17: Cathy Anderson Ushers: Bruce and JoAnn

Prayer Concerns: Franci Anderson, Laikyn, Lindsey Kulseth, Debbie McGuire, Roger Hagen, Nolan O'Connor, Brenda Watson, Darrell Ask, Dennis Johnson, Mike Larson, Jamie (Noren) Seiner, Marie Christenson, Darryl Jensen, Phyllis Jurgens, Dave Finnegan, Tim Knaak, Don Flater, Bruce Ohland, Sam Christenson, Melissa Anderson, Steven Olson, Tom Anderson, Chloe Anderson, Orval Larson, Dennis Madison, Linda Madison, and Emma Overson.

Thank you, **Deacon Lyla**, for being with us this morning.

Today's radio broadcast from East is given in memory of loved ones by Kris and Tom Suess.

Order forms for the Youth **Beef Bouquet Fundraiser** are in the newsletter and on the table in the narthex. Order until June 7th.

If you want to help a camper – grab an envelope from the poster on the window in the entry!

Pr. Mandy will be in the office tomorrow.

Senior Recognition for Erick Avila is NEXT SUNDAY following the worship service. Everyone is welcome!

An Open House for Paul's Retirement, **Potluck and Pie for Political Paul**, is Friday, May 22nd starting at 4:00 pm at 19572 Oak Shores Rd., Hanska. Beverages provided. Please bring folding chair.
507-380-4713

A sponsor is needed for the **May 31st broadcast**. If you are interested, contact Susan. Thank you.

Activities this week: May10– May 17

Monday 3:00 pm Study Group, East

Tuesday 2:15 pm Augustana worship on cable tv

Wednesday 6:00 pm Committee meetings, Augustana

Thursday 7:00 pm Council, East

Sunday **SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY**

9:00 am Worship, East

10:30 am Worship, Augustana

6:30 pm VBS Station leader meeting, First Presbyterian

