

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Order Of Service

Gathering

Pastoral Greeting Announcements Prelude Music **Experiential Liturgy**

> Starting Fresh The Peace **Opening** Hymn Litany of Praise for Creation Prayer of the Day

The Word

Lessons Sermon Hymn of the Day Response to the Word

> Creed Prayers of Intercession Offering Prayer Lord's Prayer

Closing

Closing Hymn Benediction Dismissal Postlude

Worship Leader: Heide Gallagher Worship Assistant: Doug Cruce Usher: Rose Sandstrom Musician: Janice Algren Flowers: Pastor Jamie In Honor of Pastor Katie's birthday

Office: Angela Bradley-Volz, Secretary Custodian: Chris Algren

May 9, 2021 **6th Sunday of Easter**

Musicians: Janice Algren Jamie Reynolds



Acts 9:32-43	Peter's healing ministry in Lydda and Joppa
Psalm 30	
1 John 4:7-21	God is love, those who abide in love abide in God
John 21:15-25	The Risen Jesus reconciles with Peter

Prayer of the Day

Triumphant Jesus, our bodies carry the imperfections of this world, the diseases and viruses and bacteria that all try to break us down. At the same time, our souls carry the burden of stress and worry and fear and doubt. You provide the gift of healing. This gift revives the soul and renews the body. Lift us into this newness, draw out of us all that ails us, and grant us the joy of living as a whole person in your love. In your holy name, we pray. Amen

Please keep in your prayers:

Bradley Anderson, Josie Blake, Nancy Dowell, John Ellison, Linda Ellison, Dave Erlandson, Jim Erlandson, Cassie Jern & Family, Ila Roseberry, Norman Worthington, Beckie Bean, Joy Johnson, Pat Root, Diane Bradley, Matthew Council, Rose Youngquist, Kathi Cruce, Gary Gaskill, Amber Kerr, Julie Kerr, Jaxson and Chris, Michael Hackspacher

Please let the church office know any updates that are needed to our prayer list.

Acts 9: 32-43

³² Now as Peter went here and there among all the believers, he came down also to the saints living in Lydda. ³³ There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years, for he was paralyzed. ³⁴ Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; get up and make your bed!" And immediately he got up. ³⁵ And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord. ³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Psalm 30

¹I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me. ²O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. ³O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. ⁴Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. ⁵For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning. ⁶As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved." ⁷By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed. ⁸To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication: ⁹"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? ¹⁰Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be my helper!" ¹¹You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, ¹² so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

1 John 4:7-21

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹ 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. ¹⁰ 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. ¹¹ Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. ¹³ By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴ And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵ God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷ 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. ¹⁸ 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. ¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ 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. ²¹ The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

John 21:15-25

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me." ²⁰ Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?" ²¹ When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about him?" ²² Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!" ²³ So the rumor spread in the community that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?" ²⁴ This is the disciple who is testifying to these things and has written them, and we know that his testimony is true. ²⁵ But there are also many other things that Jesus did; if every one of them were written down, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.