

Bethany Lutheran Church

Long Beach, California

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5th SUNDAY OF EASTER + + + **MAY 10, 2020**
MOTHER'S DAY

+ *God Gathers Us In His Presence* +

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

People: to sing praise to Your name, O Most High;

Leader: to herald Your love in the morning,

People: Your truth at the close of the day.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another,
Holy and Gracious God,

**People: I confess that I have sinned against You this day.
Some of my sin I know –
the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed –
but some is known only to You.
In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness.
Deliver and restore me for His sake. Amen.**

Leader: By the mercy of God you've been redeemed by Jesus Christ,
and in Him and for His sake you are forgiven.
Go in His peace, go in His service.

OPENING HYMN: *"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"* LSB 524



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds In
2 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole And
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, My
4 O Je - sus, shep - herd, guard - ian, friend, My



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,
calms the heart's un - rest; 'Tis man - na to the
shield and hid - ing place; My nev - er - fail - ing
Proph - et, Priest, and King, My Lord, my life, my



heals our wounds, And drives a - way our fear.
hun - gry soul And to the wea - ry, rest.
trea - sury filled With bound - less stores of grace.
way, my end, Ac - cept the praise I bring.

- 5 How weak the effort of my heart,
How cold my warmest thought!
But when I see Thee as Thou art,
I'll praise Thee as I ought.
- 6 Till then I would Thy love proclaim
With ev'ry fleeting breath;
And may the music of Thy name
Refresh my soul in death!

CATECHISM

TEN COMMANDMENTS:

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping It holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covert your neighbor's house.

You shall not covert your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant,
his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

+ We Give Thanks for God's Word +

OFFERING:

If you so desire, Text Giving is now available.

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VOLUNTARY

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

"It is Well"

Soloist, Annaliese Ayers

(Words by H. Spafford, Music by Philip Bliss)

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;

When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;

Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,

It is well, it is well with my soul.

It is well (It is well)

with my soul, (with my soul),

It is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,

The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;

Even so it is well with my soul.

+ *God Gives Us the Gift of His Word* +

THE HOLY GOSPEL: *John 14:1-12*

“**D**on’t be troubled. Believe in God, and believe in me. My Father’s house has many rooms. If that were not true, would I have told you that I’m going to prepare a place for you? If I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again. Then I will bring you into my presence so that you will be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where You’re going. So how can we know the way?”

Jesus answered him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one goes to the Father except through me. If you have known me, you will also know my Father. From now on you know him through me and have seen him in me.”

Philip said to Jesus, “Lord, show us the Father, and that will satisfy us.”

Jesus replied, “I have been with all of you for a long time. Don’t you know me yet, Philip? The person who has seen me has seen the Father. So how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Don’t you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? What I’m telling you doesn’t come from me. The Father, who lives in me, does what he wants. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and that the Father is in me. Otherwise, believe me because of the things I do.

“I can guarantee this truth: Those who believe in me will do the things that I am doing. They will do even greater things because I am going to the Father. – GW ®

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way will lie,
 5 "Through - out all their life - time My peo - ple will prove



Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 For I am your God and will still give you aid;
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, will be your sup - ply.
 My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can He say than to you He has said
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 The flames will not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
 And then, when gray hairs will their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.
 Like lambs they will still in My bos - om be borne."

MESSAGE: "Troubling Times... Untroubled Hearts"

Text: John 14:1-12

+ *God Sends Us Forth for Lives of Love and
Service* +

PRAYERS:

Leader: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon,
with all our hearts and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For this nation, for our cities and communities,
for the common welfare of us all,
and for all who serve us to lead and direct,
defend and protect let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless,
the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison,
let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the sick and dying and for all those who serve and care for them,
let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our daily bread, for continued provision and fruitfulness of the earth,
and those who labor to provide what we need day to day,
let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul,
let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Blessed Lord,
You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning.
Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart
that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word,
we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit
and has taught us to pray:

**People: 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 BLESSING:

Leader: Now the almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son,
and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

People: Amen.

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“It Is Well” Soloist, Annaliese Ayers

Words by H. Spafford. Music by Philip Bliss.

“How Firm a Foundation” LSB 728

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