

# EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

*We Love Jesus by Serving Others*

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**May 8, 2022, 10:30 AM**

Far Hills Campus Traditional Worship (Livestreamed)

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## **PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **BLESSING OF MOTHERS**

**PRELUDE:** *MORCEAU SYMPHONIQUE* (Alexandre Guilmant)

Connor Fuhrmann, trombone

## **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

## **SHARING THE PEACE**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

*Please take this time to say hello and share the peace in the comment section of the YouTube channel livestream or in the Facebook feed comment section. Take a selfie and let us know you are worshiping with us!*



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph  
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is  
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which  
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:  
 rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:  
 can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
 one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.

Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpius, 1570–1615

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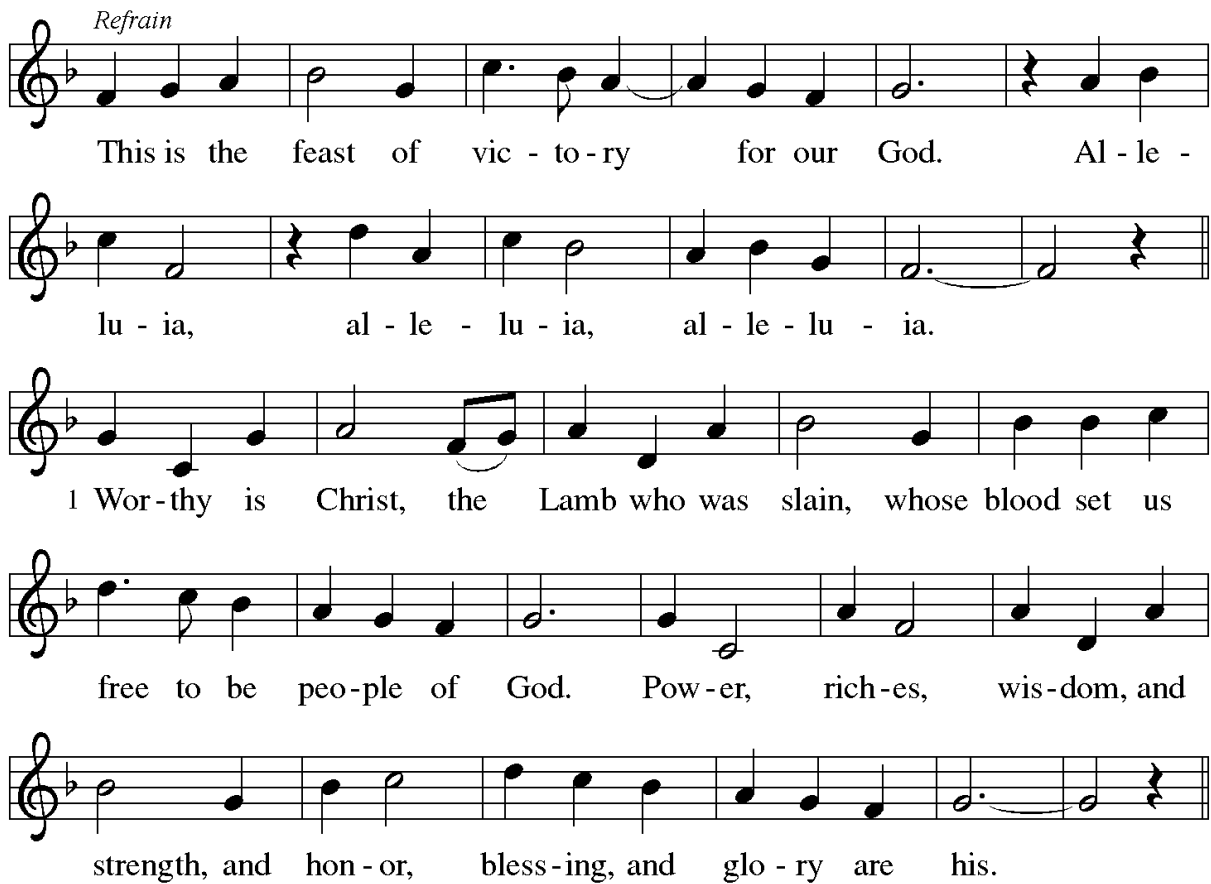
**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**P:** The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:** **And also with you.**

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

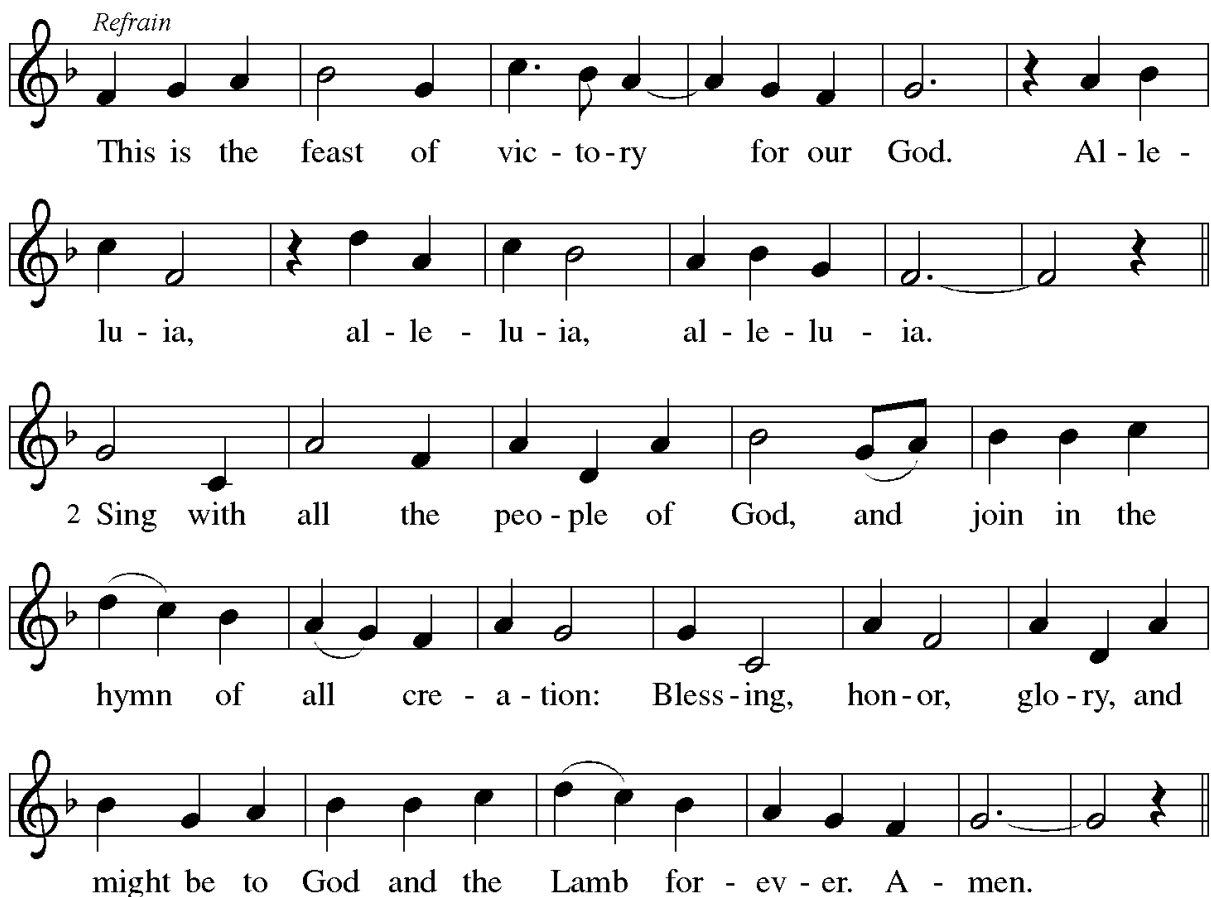
*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us  
free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the  
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and  
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

(continued)

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,  
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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## WELCOMING THE CHILDREN

### FIRST READING: ACTS 9:36-43

<sup>36</sup>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. <sup>37</sup>At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup>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." <sup>39</sup>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. <sup>40</sup>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. <sup>41</sup>He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup>Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 23

A: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

**C: The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

A: You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**C: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

A: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
 you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
 and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

## SECOND READING: REVELATION 7:9-17

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*

Choir: Jesus says, I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.

P: The holy gospel according to St. John.

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

## GOSPEL READING: JOHN 10:22-30

<sup>22</sup>At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: HAVE NO FEAR, LITTLE FLOCK

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1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle  
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle  
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -  
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to  
flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in  
bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -  
God, for he stays close be - side you, in



give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!  
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

Text: Luke 12:32, st. 1; Marjorie Jillson, b. 1931, sts. 2-4

Music: Heinz Werner Zimmermann, b. 1930

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LITTLE FLOCK

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## NICENE CREED

A: Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *(after each petition...)*

A: God, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

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**OFFERING:** *THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD* (David Childs)

*Epiphany Chorale*

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1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:  
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,  
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.  
 teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.  
 gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

*Refrain*



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTED, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925-1980

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**OFFERING PRAYER**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**



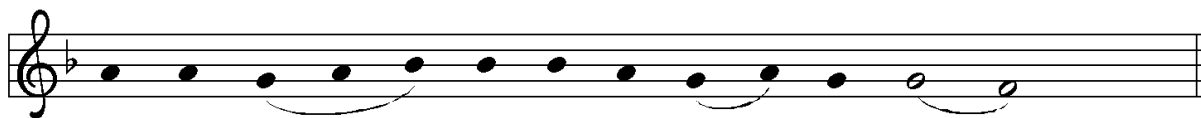
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



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



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

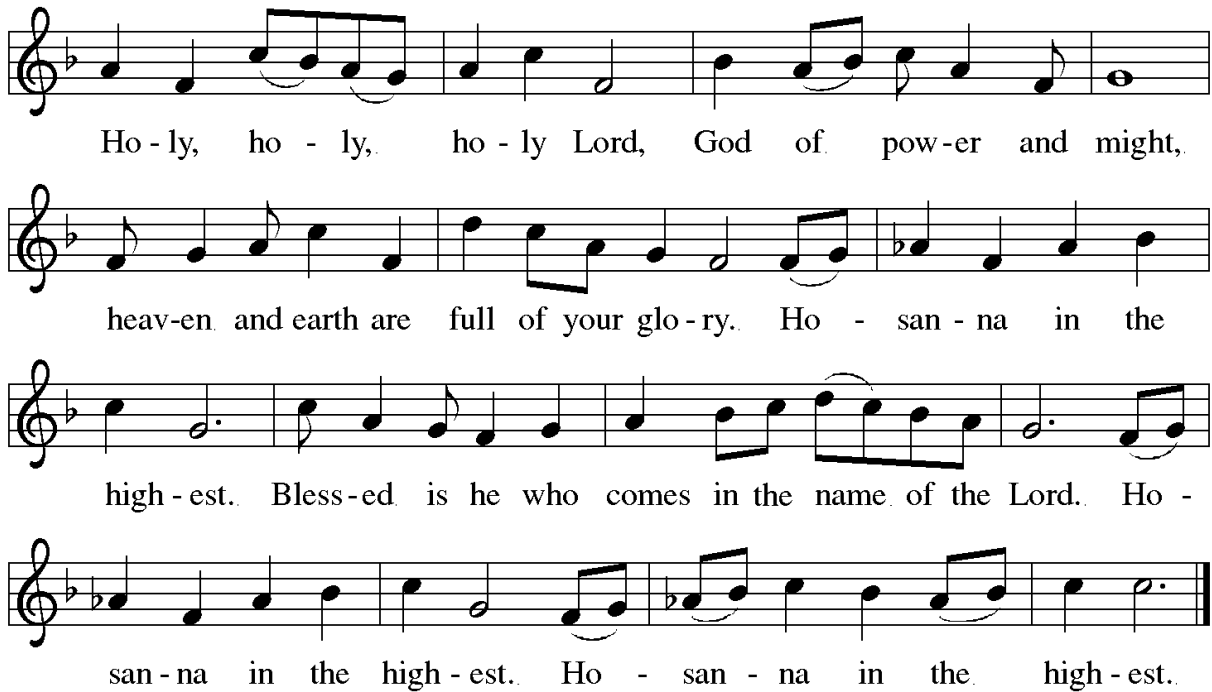


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...join their unending hymn:



## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

### DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*If you are unable to attend worship due to health concerns, please contact the church office to be included on the homebound list.*



1 Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;  
 3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-prepare.  
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847  
 Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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**BENEDICTION**



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.  
 an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.  
 watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

*Refrain*



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915  
 Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

**DISMISSAL**

- A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
 A: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.  
**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

*Please take a moment to share comments and fellowship with each other after the service is completed.  
 The livestream will continue for a few minutes to allow for your interaction.*

Scripture readings for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, May 15, 2022:  
 Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21:1-6, John 13:31-35

## Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister:	Pastor Julie Reuning-Scherer
Assisting Minister:	Linda June Snyder
Organist:	John Benjamin
Cantor:	Ray Wasky
Sound:	Ted Meyer
Livestream:	Anthony Brown, Alex Wasser
Ushers:	Ron Armstrong, Bob Sulgrove
Communion Servers:	Sandy Houpt, Kim Knechtly, Ann Painter, Justin Proehl, Charlotte Richard

## Parish Notes

**Hospitalized:** Gabby Moenter

**Hospice Care:** Janice Clark

**Sympathy** to Colleen Penquite on the death of her mother

### **Cabaret Night with the Reuning-Scherers! | Friday, May 13 | 7 PM, Far Hills Sanctuary**

The Epiphany Players Drama Ministry is pleased to announce “Cabaret Night with the Reuning-Scherers!” Join Pastor Julie’s family for an evening of song from musicals to jazz standards. A freewill offering will be taken to support the Epiphany Players Drama Ministry.

### **Spring Fling Thing | Sunday, May 15 | 3-4 PM, Austin Campus**

Families, come gather for an hour of fun and fellowship that includes an Easter egg hunt and ends with a song by our Puppet Ministry! This event is geared toward young children, but all ages are welcome. Gaga Ball is available for older children and youth.

### **Vacation Bible School | June 6-9 | Evenings | Far Hills Campus**

Questions? Contact Sara Richter, Director of Children and Family Ministry at [srichter@epiphanydayton.org](mailto:srichter@epiphanydayton.org).

### **Lawn Mowing Help Needed**

It's that time of year to begin mowing the lawn, and we are in need to help with mowing and trimming the grounds at the Far Hills Campus. If you would like to help, even occasionally, please email facilities manager Jeff Hilvers.

### **Altar Flowers and Eternal Flame sign-ups needed.**

In all worship spaces you can give altar flowers in honor, celebration or memory of loved ones, and you may also light the Eternal Flame in the Far Hills Sanctuary in memory of loved ones. Give online or by check made out to Epiphany with altar flowers or eternal flame noted in the memo. The cost is \$30 for flowers and \$10 to light the flame. Place order online or contact the church office.

**Let Us Pray for You!** We want to know when you're hospitalized or when you have a life event, such as a birth, marriage, death in the family, etc. Prayer requests can be sent to [nheimann@epiphanydayton.org](mailto:nheimann@epiphanydayton.org).

## EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

### Far Hills Campus

6430 Far Hills Ave.  
Dayton, OH 45459  
(937) 433-1449

9:00 AM Praise Worship  
(Outdoor Chapel May 15)  
10:30 AM Traditional Worship  
(Sanctuary)

### Austin Campus

10551 Sheehan Rd.  
Dayton, OH 45458  
(937) 886-9885

9:00 AM Traditional Worship  
10:30 AM Praise Worship

**[www.epiphanydayton.org](http://www.epiphanydayton.org)**

10:30 AM Livestream

(Broadcast alternates weekly between Far Hills and Austin)

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