

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
MAY 29, 2022**

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Janice Hedberg, Church Organist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

***Easter Proclamation**
Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

***Gathering Song # 106** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" *DIADEM*

***Call to Worship[†]**
The Lord is King! Let the earth rejoice; Let the many coastlands be glad!
Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
Righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
Fire goes before him, and consumes his adversaries on every side,
His lightnings light up the world;
The earth sees and trembles.
The mountains melt like wax before the Lord, Before the Lord of all the earth.
The heavens proclaim his righteousness;
And all the peoples behold his glory.

***Opening Prayer**

Songs of Faith "All Hail King Jesus" Worship Team
"Jesus, We Crown You with Praise"

Proclamation of Faith & Forgiveness[†]

Alleluia #290 "The Strife is O'er" *VICTORY*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Don Johnson

The First Reading Act 16:16-34

The Second Reading Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

***The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ** John 17:20-26

***Responsorial #** "Make Us Our Own" **Worship Team**
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Children's Sermon (Kids 3rd Grade and Younger can walk to Children's Church)

Announcements & Prayers of the Community – 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations

Offertory Janice Hedberg, Church Organist

Prayer and The Message "CHANGED: Prayer Instead of Panic"
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister



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RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

***Invitation to Faith and Fellowship**

***Closing Hymn #422** "Amazing Grace" *NEW BRITAIN*

***Spoken Benediction**

***Postlude** Janice Hedberg, Church Organist

**Stand when able*

HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

GOOD NEWS! God loves you and wants to rescue all people from the consequences of evil. The Bible teaches the way to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** – Admit to God you have done wrong things (sinned) which have hurt God and others. Apologize to God, turn away from harmful behavior, and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** – Accept and trust that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross in your place and give God credit for raising Jesus from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a religious commitment to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Rescuer and Redeemer (Savior) and Ultimate Leader (Lord). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO THE JESUS WAY** - Tell your family and friends about your new trust in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly share your decision to be a follower of Jesus (Christian).
5. **HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD** – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and covenant of this may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor, Moderator or come forward at a congregation meeting. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.



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He rejoiced
along with
his entire
household
that he had
believed
in God.

Acts 16:34, ESV

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