



## Is God's Love for Us "Iffy"?

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*\*congregation stands*

**AS WE GATHER**

Throughout our lives, we look for a helper. Maybe that's a parent who can hold our hand to cross the street, a spouse who can open the pickle jar, or an expert who delivers wisdom we don't have. Our Lord Jesus Christ sends us a helper, the promised Holy Spirit. The Spirit opens our heart to faith and then fills it with heavenly wisdom. Present in our Baptism and present today in worship, the Spirit keeps our hand firmly in our Savior's, so that linked by love, we can walk confidently in His promises.

**OPENING HYMN****PRAISE THE ALMIGHTY****LSB 797, vs. 1–3****\*INVOCATION**

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

**\*OPENING SENTENCES**

*Psalm 124:8; John 14:18; Hebrews 13:6*

P Our help is in the name of the LORD,  
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P Jesus said, "I will not leave you as orphans;  
C **I will come to you."**

P So we can confidently say,  
C **"The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"**

**\*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*John 14:19*

P We confess: Father, we have neglected You and Your commandments.  
C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P Jesus, we have doubted Your Word and failed to display Your love to others.  
C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P Spirit, we have trusted our own sinful hearts rather than seeking Your truth.  
C **Forgive us, Lord.**

P O Triune God, look on us in mercy and make Your dwelling within us.  
C **Restore us as Your rescued people to seek Your holy will. Amen.**

P To save you from sin, the Father gave you His very own Son. On His cross, Jesus paid your debt and rose to declare, "because I live, you also will live." By the Spirit's power, we trust in the pardon won for us by Christ, our Lord. In the stead and by the command of Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## \*INTROIT

*Psalm 119:89–93; antiphon: v. 105*

C **Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.**

p Forever, O LORD,  
Your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.

Your faithfulness endures to all generations;  
You have established the earth, and it stands fast.

By Your appointment they stand this day,  
for all things are Your servants.

If Your law had not been my delight,  
I would have perished in my affliction.

I will never forget Your precepts,  
for by them You have given me life.

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.**

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## \*KYRIE

C **Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE

## PRAISE THE ALMIGHTY

**LSB 797, vs. 4,5**

## \*SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.  
C **And also with you.**

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

## FIRST READING

*Acts 17:16–31*

<sup>16</sup>While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. <sup>18</sup>Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babbler wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. <sup>19</sup>And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new

teaching is that you are presenting? <sup>20</sup>For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." <sup>21</sup>Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

<sup>22</sup>So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. <sup>26</sup>And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, <sup>27</sup>that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, <sup>28</sup>for

"In him we live and move and have our being";

as even some of your own poets have said,

"For we are indeed his offspring."

<sup>29</sup>Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. <sup>30</sup>The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## HYMN FOR THE WORD

## IN THEE IS GLADNESS

LSB 818

### EPISTLE

*1 Peter 3:13–22*

<sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, 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, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### \*VERSE

*Romans 6:9; John 16:33b*

- C **Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world. Alleluia.**

### \*HOLY GOSPEL

*John 14:15–21*

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.  
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup>even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### \*APOSTLES' CREED

- C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**SERMON HYMN THE DAY IS SURELY DRAWING NEAR**

**LSB, 508, vs. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7**

**SERMON**

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Sermon notes on insert

**OFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY**-*Sung, tune on hymnal page 192*

**\*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

After our petitions:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

C **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.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

P To God—the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—be all honor and glory in His holy church, forever and ever.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you and abide with you always.

C **Amen.**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**HYMN TO DEPART**

**ALLELUIA! LET PRAISES RING!**

**LSB 822**

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## Serving Our Lord

		May 10, 2026	May 17, 2026
Musician		Diane Streich and Marsha Workman	Merlin Simon
Cantor		Andrew Koch	Open (see below)
Altar Guild		Jane and Rob Shull	Jane and Rob Shull
Elder	8am	Sam Erdman	Bill Breitinger and Andy Olson
	10:30am	Ben Swenson	Sam Erdman and Open
Reader	8am	Jon Peterson	Rob Orr
	10:30am	Peter Naas	Dan Shield
Usher Team	8am	Andy Olson	Sam Erdman
	10:30am	Open	Ben Swenson
Acolyte	8am	Isaac Koch and Beth Koch	Sopia Orr and Ian Olander
	10:30am	Open	Mason Kolb
Projection	8am	Jean Peterson	Jean Peterson
	10:30am	Swenson Family	Sebastian Ness
Live stream	8:00am	Don Lee	Jim Nicklas
Coffee Hour	9:15am	LWML	Sunday school reception



### Sunday School and Graduate Celebration

**May 17 | 9:15am | TLO Gym**

Join us for refreshments as we thank our dedicated Sunday school teachers, close out the Sunday school year, and recognize our graduates, including Emma Jeske.

Join us for this rich time of celebrating God's goodness in the lives of our students!

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### Volunteers needed

Love to sing? Your help to cantor our worship service would be appreciated. Any age and either gender is welcomed to serve. A cantor simply sings the melody hymn line along with the congregation. This important service helps those who view our worship on line. If you can help, even occasionally, contact the church office.

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### Altar Guild Seeking Members

TLO's Altar Guild creates and maintains a worship space filled with love and respect for our Lord. We could use a few more members to serve twice-yearly in rotation. A brunch is scheduled Saturday, May 16 to gather current members and provide full information for those interested in serving. Please contact Sharon Drews at 651-428-3470 to get connected.

<b>COMING UP AT TLO — May 10, 2026 — May 17, 2026</b>		
<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - Mother's Day</b>		
Sun	8:00*am	Worship
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages; two adult studies to choose from
	10:30am	Worship
	12:30pm	Peniel Evangelical Church
	6:00pm	Hoops - adult basketball
Tue	6:30pm	Moms in Prayer
	7:00pm	Board of Elders
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study
	1:30pm	Grade 5-8 Spring Matinee
Thur	5:00pm	Board of Christian Education
	6:30pm	Grade 5-8 Spring Concert
	6:00pm	Peniel
Fri	9:00am	Women of the Word (WoW) Bible study
Sat	9:00am	Women's Bible study
	10:00am	Altar Guild brunch - all current and interested members welcome!
	2:00pm	Peniel events
<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>		
Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15am	Cake and Fruit recption in honor of Sunday school and graduates
	following recpt.	Education Hour for all ages; two adult studies to choose from
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:45am	Quarterly Voters' Meeting
	12:30pm	Peniel Evangelical Church
	6:00pm	Hoops - adult basketball
*worship online at <a href="http://www.trinityloneoak.org">www.trinityloneoak.org</a>		



### **TLO SCHOOL SPRING CONCERTS**

Please join us for both concerts and don't forget to invite a friend or neighbor to come and see these performances!

**Grade 5-8 | May 13 at 1:30 pm | May 14 at 6:30 pm**

Students in grades 5-8 will share their talents with choral music, beginning and advanced band, and handbells.

**Grade K-4 | May 18 at 1:30 pm | May 19 at 6:30 pm**

Students in grades K-4 will share their talents with choral music, recorders, and more!

## Amnion News



**Saturday, June 6, 2026 9:30am – 12:30pm**  
**Eden Baptist Church, 1313 Highway 13 East, Burnsville, MN 55337**

Join us for Amnion Women Center's annual Walk for Life! Gather your friends and mobilize your church, family or group of friends for a morning of walking, fellowship, fun and inspiration. See you at the starting line!

Can't make it to the walk? Support a walker at [helpofferhope.org](http://helpofferhope.org).



### **Amnion Is Hiring**

If you're passionate about living out your faith through your work and want to be part of a mission-driven team, we'd love to connect with you! View open positions at [helpofferhope.org](http://helpofferhope.org).



### **Diaper Drive**

Amnion is pleased to announce that we are once again participating in the World's Largest Diaper Drive. Join us in reaching our goal of 20,000 diapers to help ensure that every child has clean, dry diapers throughout the day. Drop off locations and an Amazon direct-ship-to-Amnion link at [helpofferhope.org](http://helpofferhope.org).



### **LWML Collection Today**

TLO collects Mites for Missions the second Sunday of every month. Based on the Biblical account of the widow's mite (Mark 12:41-43), the Mite Box is intended for regular contributions of "mites". The LWML has collected over 127 million dollars since 1942. See the display in the narthex to learn more about this important work.

## WEEKLY DEPOSITS: May 3, 2026

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering - supporting staff and operations	\$	21,775.00
	(Our offering budget is \$10,475 per week)		
	Building Reserve Fund - supporting monthly mortgage payments	\$	956.00
	(Our offering budget is \$675 for per week)		
	Tuition	\$	11,263.91
	1883 School Annual Fund - supporting TLO School	\$	255.00
	Cell tower lease	\$	2,015.87
	Church and school fees	\$	5,301.61
	<b>Subtotal General Fund Income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>41,567.39</b>
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2 - Yesterday, Today, Forever 2 initiative	\$	275.30
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	250.00
	TLO School chapel - CPH Gospel Outreach: Food Bank Arch Book Program	\$	24.05
	General support of Rev. Tom Park in Taiwan	\$	25.00
	Young Investors stamps through Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	392.00
	<b>Subtotal Special Fund Income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>966.35</b>



### Work Day

Thanks to all who helped spiff up TLO Church and School, inside and out. We had a great crew, and a lot was accomplished!



### Life Ministry Fundraising Goal Met

Receiving just over \$13,000 in gifts, the Life Ministry Project was able to request the full \$10,000 from the LCMS Million Dollar Life Match. Thanks to TLO for gifts of \$953.00 collected winter 2025. We hope to see you at the event in September-

Pastor Elliot Malm



### Birthdays this week

May 11 Jeni Grimm, Kevin Hatch

May 13 Michele Frick, Shawna Tousignant

### Anniversaries this week

May 10 Keith and Ariana Prusak

May 13 Steve and Amelia Clark, Sam and Mary Erdman

May 15 Rob and Jane Shull

## Remember in Prayer



### Mission Field:

- Rev. Tom Park, Theological Educator in Taiwan is OUR missionary. Please pray for his safety and health as he travels in the USA this month.

### Thanksgiving

- Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice, praises God that her son is a match and a willing donor for the “live liver” transplant she needs. We will continue to pray for Marilou.

### For the gift of new life

- Rosemary Joan Peterson, granddaughter of Jon and Jean, born May 6 to Aaron and Katie. Siblings Maesie and Micah welcome Rosie with open arms.
- Sebastian James Flannery, grandson of Larry and Linda Flannery, was born May 7. John, Adrienne and big sister, Fiona, are so thankful for God’s gift of Sebastian.

### Those with Health Concerns:

- Mary (Grimm) Bettmann in transitional care after a fall
- Baby Brady, friend of TLO, born with health problems this winter
- Brianna Buecksler, to guard against discouragement as healing takes time.
- John, grandfather of 2 TLO students, undergoing cancer treatment
- Tyler Keech, brother of 2 TLO students, diagnosed with a massive osteosarcoma.
- Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, preparing for a “live liver” transplant
- Darrell Rahn, healing from knee replacement surgery this week
- Scott and his wife, Heidi, sister of Nancy Strand, as Scott has broken his hip
- Linda Tetzloff prayers for healing, stamina, and wisdom
- Laverne Ziebell – dealing with broken leg and testing this week
- For TLO members and friends in need of our continued prayers:  
Eddie Burdick + Pam Burdick + Dixie Cliff + Larry Flannery + Gary Foley  
David Frick + Don Holz + Glenda Holz + Justin Kube + Joseph Labhart  
Donine Leatherby + LeRoy Motz + Renata Rahn + Jeff Schaaf  
Karen Stohlberg + Char Timm + Laverne Ziebell

### General and ongoing Prayers:

- For our Nation: Almighty God, stifle the powers of darkness and end the reign of war, violence and terror. Give leaders who will seek peace and work for the common good.
- Ryan Kroonblawd - Seminarian - 2nd semester classes at Lutherische Theologische Hochschule in Oberursel, Germany will end in July. Continue to pray for a clear understanding of classes taught in German.

### For those who morne

- Al and Linnea at the death of Jim Jorgenson, close cousin of Al’s on May 2 and Linnea’s cousin’s son who passed away in April.



### Weekly Memory Verse

I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. **Phil. 1:6**



**Welcome Guests** We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to our team. We love to make new friends!

**For those with small children**, a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children’s bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

**Restrooms** are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

**Large print copies of the worship folder** are available. Please ask an usher.



**Celebrating Motherhood**

Especially on Mother’s Day weekend, all of us thank God for the many ways He has used the hands, the love, and the prayers of the women He puts in our lives — mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters, Sunday school teachers, mentors, and many other women who bring us to faith in our Savior and encourage us in that faith! TLO celebrates and supports these precious women!

*All women* are invited to take a gift from the narthex in celebration of God’s gift of motherhood.



Flowers on the altar today are given in memory Rosemary Joy Peterson, Jon’s mom, and in honor of Rosemary Joan Peterson, granddaughter of Jon and Jean, named in honor of two great-grandmothers.

Forever, O LORD, Your word  
is firmly fixed in the heavens.

Your faithfulness endures to all generations; Ps. 119:89-90a



**Summer schedule begins May 24**

TLO's summer schedule begins May 24 with worship at 9:00am and adult Bible class immediately following. Holy Communion will be offered each Sunday.

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