SAINT JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH Sankt Johannes Gemeinde Église Luthérienne St-Jean

FÜNFTER SONNTAG AN OSTERN 7. MAI 2023

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 7, 2023



INTERIM PASTOR: Dr. Rev. Geert-Jan Boudewijnse ORGANIST: Abraham Ross GUEST PASTOR: Rev. Katherine Gohm

We acknowledge that St. John's Lutheran Church is situated on unceded Indigenous land that was never surrendered by treaty or agreement. We recognize that the Kanien'keha:ka (commonly known as the Mohawk), a nation of of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy (commonly known as Iroquois), are the custodians of Tiohtia:ke (the Island of Montreal), which is a traditional meeting place between peoples including the Anishinaabe (commonly known as Algonquin), Abenaki and the Huron-Wendat. As a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC) and in agreement with its official policies, our church is committed to participating in an ongoing process of finding truth and reconciliation.

Während wir die 50 Ostertage feiern, zeigt uns das heutige Evangelium Jesu Versprechen, dass er einen Platz für seine Nachfolger in seines Vaters Haus vorbereitet. Unsere Taufe beauftragt uns, Jesu Mission mit der Welt zu teilen. Im 1 Kapitel Petrus wird uns ermahnt, dass wir ein heiliges Volk sind, berufen, den zu bezeugen, der uns aus der Dunkelheit in das Licht gerufen

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words hat. Mit Worten und Taten sind wir Zeugen für den auferstandenen Christus: unseren Weg, unsere Wahrheit, unser Leben. and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

ORGELVORSPIEL

ORGAN PRELUDE

Organ Improvisation

EINGANG

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

SÜNDENBEKENNTNIS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father,

and of the + Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Gib uns die Kraft deines heiligen Geistes, dass wir unsere Sünden bekennen, deine Vergebung erhalten, und in die Fülle von Jesus Christus, unser Heiland und Herr, hereinwachsen.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,

so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

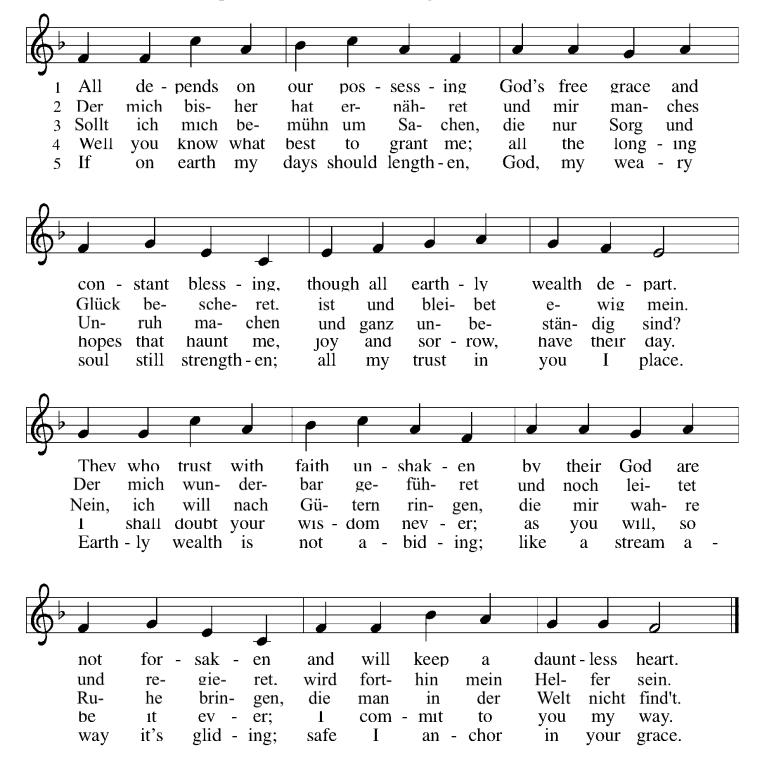
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OPENING HYMN

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All Depends on Our Possessing ELW 589/EG 352



Text: Gesangbuch, Nürnberg, 1676; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGEN, Johann Löhner, 1645–1705, adapt. Die Gnade unseres Herrn Jesus Christus und die Liebe Gottes und die Gemeinschaft des Heiligen Geistes, sei mit euch allen. **Und mit Deinem Geist.** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

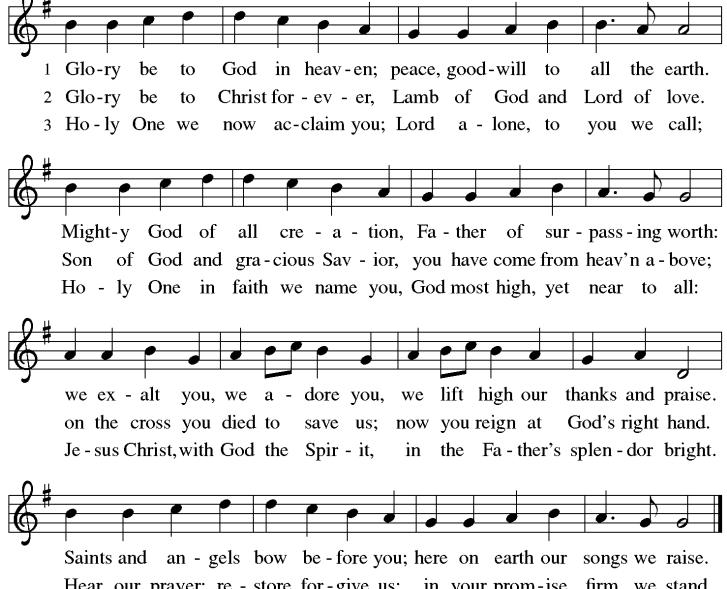
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CANTICLE OF PRAISE

LOBLIED



Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

KOLLEKTENGEBET

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Laßt uns beten.

Allmächtiger Gott, dein Sohn Jesus Christus ist der Weg, die Wahrheit und das Leben. Gib uns die Gnade einander zu lieben, die Gebote Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his

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einzuhalten und seine Auferstehung mit der ganzen Welt zu teilen, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please sit.

DAS WORT

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

ERSTE LESUNG

FIRST LESSON

WORD

PSALM

Apostelgeschichte 7, 55-60/ Acts 2:55-60

A reading from Acts.

⁵⁵Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 31, 1-5 15-16 / Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be | put to shame; deliver me | in your righteousness.

²Incline your | ear to me;

make haste to de- | liver me.

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag | and my stronghold; for the sake of your name, lead | me and guide me.

⁴Take me out of the net that they have secretly | set for me, for you are my tow- | er of strength.

⁵Into your hands I com-[|] mend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O LORD, [|]God of truth.

commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world,

¹⁵My times are [|] in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute me.

¹⁶Let your face shine up- | on your servant; save me in your | steadfast love."

ZWEITE LESUNG

SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 2, 2-10 / 1 Peter 2:2-10

A reading from 1 Peter, auf Deutsch.

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,

a cornerstone chosen and precious;

and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

⁷To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected

has become the very head of the corner,"

⁸and

"A stone that makes them stumble,

and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

¹⁰Once you were not a people,

but now you are God's people;

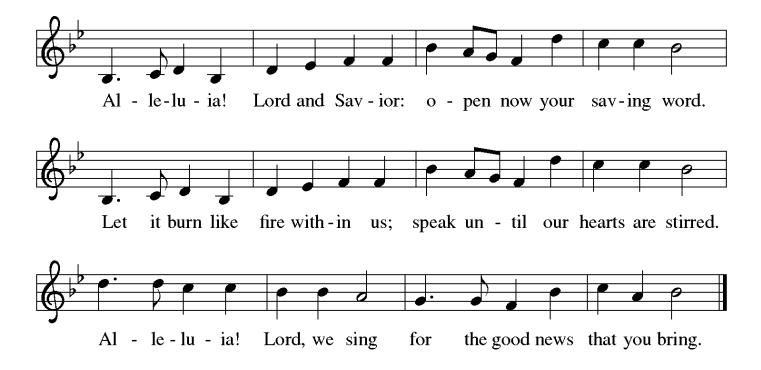
once you had not received mercy,

but now you have received mercy.

Please stand.

HALLELUJAH U. VERS

ALLELUIA & VERSE



HEILIGES EVANGELIUM HOLY GOSPEL Johannes 14, 1-14 / John 14:1-14

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

⁸Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to

the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it." The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit. **PREDIGT**

Guest Pastor, Rev. Katherine Gohm

HAUPTLIED

HYMN OF THE DAY

SERMON



2. Aber wache erst recht auf von dem Sündenschlafe; denn es folget sonst darauf eine lange Strafe, und die Not samt dem Tod möchte dich in Sünden unvermutet finden. **3.** Bete aber auch dabei mitten in dem Wachen; denn der Herre muss dich frei von dem allen machen, was dich drückt und bestrickt, dass du schläfrig bleibest und sein Werk nicht treibest. 4. Ja, er will gebeten sein, wenn er was soll geben; er verlanget unser Schrein, wenn wir wollen leben und durch ihn unsern Sinn, Feind, Welt, Fleisch und Sünden kräftig überwinden.

6. Drum so lasst uns immerdar wachen, flehen, beten, weil die Angst, Not und Gefahr immer näher treten; denn die Zeit ist nicht weit, da uns Gott wird richten und die Welt vernichten.

Text: Johann Burchard Freystein (1695) **Melodie:** Braunschweig (1686), Dresden (1694)

Please stand. NICENE CREED

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;

5. Doch wohl gut, es muss uns schon alles glücklich gehen, wenn wir ihn durch seinen Sohn im Gebet anflehen; denn er will uns mit Füll seiner Gunst beschütten, wenn wir gläubig bitten.

NICENE CREED

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.

FÜRBITTENGEBET

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

God of life, strengthen your church to proclaim your gospel even in times of trouble. As we remember Stephen, we give thanks for diaconal ministry. Bless all deacons and strengthen them for their bridge-building ministry between church and world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Creating God, you show your steadfast love through mighty waters, towering mountains, verdant fields, and arid deserts. Protect the earth's diverse habitats from the forces of pollution, erosion, extinction, and global warming. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Mighty God, your Spirit guides us into all truth. Give wisdom to world and local leaders and organizations as they begin, build, or renew relationships. Strengthen leaders and aid organizations in areas needing to be rebuilt following conflict, unrest, or natural disaster. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Loving God, you make your home among us. Abide with refugees, those experiencing homelessness, those fleeing war and poverty, and all who

PRAYERS

question if there is a home in your heart. We pray for all who are sick. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Assuring God, you accompany your people amid uncertainty and change. Uphold people in this community who have recently moved, changed jobs or schools, retired, or are going through transitions of any kind. Lead us in your ways. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Renewing God, you gather the saints at your heavenly banquet. We give you thanks for the care shown us by those who have gone before us. Grant confidence and comfort for all awaiting the place you have prepared. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Please sit.		
ABENDMAHL		MEAL
	God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.	

DANKOPFER

Ways to give an offering are at the end of this worship guide.

MUSIK WÄHREND DES **DANKOPFERS**

Organ Improvisation

DANKOPFERGEBET

OFFERING PRAYER

MUSIC DURING OFFERING

The bread and the wine are brought to the table and presented with prayer. The pastor prepares the paten and the chalice.

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

OFFERING

Amen.

GROßES DANKGEBET

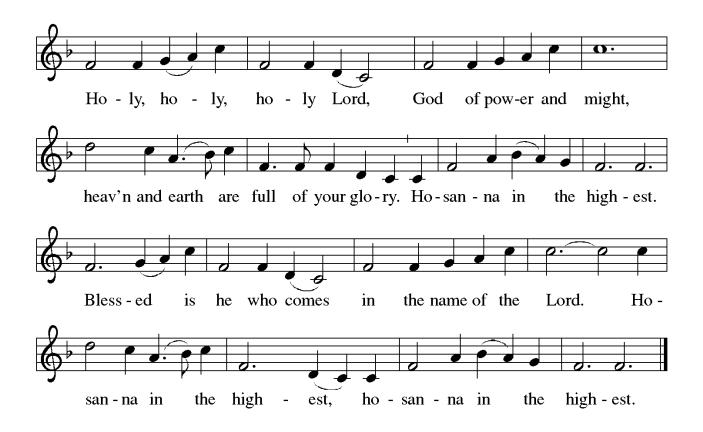
GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please stand. DAS VATERUNSER

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Vater unser im Himmel, Geheiligt werde dein Name. Our Father, who art heaven, hallowed be thy name,

Dein Wille geschehe, wie im Himmel. so auf Erden. Unser tägliches Brot gib uns heute. Und vergib uns unsere Schuld, Wie auch wir vergeben unsern Schuldigern. Und führe uns nicht in Versuchung, sondern erlöse uns von dem Bösen. Denn dein ist das Reich und die Kraft und die Herrlichkeit in Ewigkeit. Amen.

Dein Reich komme.

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 forever. Amen.

FRIEDENSGRUß

PEACE

COMMUNION

The peace of Christ be with you always. Der Herr sei mit Euch. And also with you. Und mit deinem Geist.

Share a gesture of peace with one another.

COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Please sit during the time of Communion.

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

MUSIK WÄHREND DER AUSTEILUNG

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Trio in A minor by Johann Ludwig Krebs

Please stand. DANKGEBET NACH DEM **ABENDMAHL**

PRAYER OF THANKS AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Lasst uns beten. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Schicke uns hinaus in die Welt als Zeugen der Auferstehung deines Sohnes, dass wir der ganzen Welt deine Herriichkeit zeigen möchten, durch Jesus Christus, unseren auferstandenen Herrn. **Amen.**

Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

AUSGANG

SENDING *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand.

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BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace **Amen.**

SCHLUßLIED

CLOSING SONG

Father, We Thank You ELW 478/EG 245 Please see next page

ENTLASSUNG

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDIUM

POSTLUDE

Freu dich sehr, O meine Seele by Max Reger

Father, We Thank You ELW 478/EG 245 1 Preis. Lob und Dank sei Gott dem Her- ren, der sei- ner Men-schen 2 Watch o'er your church, O Lord, in mer - cy, it from e - vil, save Jam- mer wehrt. und sam- melt draus zu sei-nen Eh- ren sich eine per - fect it guard it still; in your love, u - nite it, cleansed and con θ ge Kirch auf Erd, die An- fang schön erbauewer von et formed un - to your will. As grain, once scat-tered on the hill - sides, θ als wähl- te Stadt. alzeit sei- ne die leauf serau this bro-ken bread made from all lands your was in one, SO θ sol- cher gro- ßen Gnad. tröst' sich ihn und vertrauet church be gath - ered in - to your king-dom by your Son.

 3) Obwohl die Pforten offen stehen und hell das Licht des Tages scheint, kann doch hinein nicht jeder gehen, zu sein mit Gott dem Herrn vereint. Es ist kein Weg, denn nur der Glaube an Jesus Christus, unsern Herrn; wer den nicht geht, muss draußen 	 4) Also wird nun Gottes Gemeine gepflegt, erhalten in der Zeit; Gott, unser Hort, schützt sie alleine und segnet sie in Ewigkeit. Auch nach dem Tod will er ihr geben aus Christi Wohltat, Füll und Gnad das freudenreiche ewge Leben.
bleiben, solang er sich nicht will bekehrn.	Das gib auch uns, Herr unser Gott!

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Next week: Sunday May at 11am (Mother's Day) for Holy Eucharist on the Sixth Sunday of Easter.

NOTE: rue Prince Arthur is under construction and may be closed between Jeanne-Mance and boul. St Laurent for 3 weeks. This might affect car traffic in the neighbourhood weekdays.

More ways to be involved at St Johns!

We rent our building out from time to time and would LOVE your help to be a supervisor for events. Duties include opening and locking up and being available if the renter needs help. **Payment for the job is possible**. Please email secretary@stjohnslutheranmontreal.org.

Love to worship?

It would be great to have more lesson readers, ushers and communion assistants. Please ask Carol what's involved: carol.meindl@gmail.com.

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We need volunteers to help our property manager. No skills are necessary, just your enthusiasm and patience. We have all the necessary tools and will teach you on using them. *Please contact Ewald Stranzl at 514-691-4646 or the office secretary*.

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