



**Our Savior's Lutheran Church- ELCA
Melo Lutheran Church- ELCA**

Mission Statement of Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Our Savior's Lutheran Church is a community of believers in Jesus Christ who are willing to take risks to serve and worship God. We exist to inspire each other in reaching out to others in God's love through worship, youth ministry, ecumenical cooperation and stewardship of all our resources.

Our Savior's and Melo Lutheran Churches

Warren and Rural Angus, Minnesota

Pastor David Peterson

7th Sunday in Easter

24 May 2009

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

HOLY COMMUNION

PRELUDE

**Linda Hamrick (Melo)
Joan Peterson (OSL)**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(Please stand if you are able)*

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GATHERING HYMN "The Day of Resurrection!"

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GREETING & KYRIE

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HYMN OF PRAISE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

HYMN

"Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast"

ELW #516

Sit

WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— ¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. ²¹"So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM

Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴**It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

SECOND READING

1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

L: The word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Please stand if you are able)*

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THE GOSPEL

John 17:6-19

[Jesus prayed:] "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you.

"Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

P: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Sit

SERMON

Pastor Dave

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Son of God, Eternal Savior"

ELW # 655

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Transformed by the life-giving power of the empty tomb, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

P: Sent to represent Christ in the world, let us pray for the church to be light in a world of darkness, hope in an age of despair. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Sent to be fruitful in obeying God's word, let us pray for reforestation efforts that seek to reclaim desolate and barren lands. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Sent to work for peace and justice for all people, let us pray for the safety and well-being of all who serve in the military (*especially*), remembering all who have given their lives in service for the good of the nation (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Sent to bring compassion and encouragement to all who are hurting, let us pray for the mentally ill, those bound by addiction, and all who are troubled in body or spirit (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Sent to use our gifts for the betterment of the world, let us pray for scientists and scholars who ponder life's mysteries and search for new solutions and possibilities. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Sent to live a new life in Christ, let us pray for the dying and those who mourn (*especially*), rejoicing that at the end we will be united with them and all the faithful in the great and heavenly feast. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Hear our prayers, gracious God, and grant all that we need to live as your Spirit-filled people, in the name of the risen Christ.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

C: And also with you

OFFERING *(Sit)*

(Please stand if you are able)

OFFERATORY

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

ELW #184

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

We celebrate communion with an open table. All are invited and welcome at the Lord's Table who are members of the body of Christ through Baptism, having confessed their sin, trusting that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine, and believing that to receive him is to receive forgiveness. Children not having received instruction are invited to come forward for a blessing. Grape juice is available upon request.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Let This is the feast of victory for our God!

C: Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI

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COMMUNION HYMNS

“Jesus Loves Me!”

ELW # 595

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

ELW #781

COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Good Shepherd, lead us from the fulfillment and joy of this meal to bring joy and fulfillment to others. Guide us on paths of justice. Teach us to live for you as servants to one another. Enfold us in your abiding love. We give thanks in the name of the risen Christ.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Children by the grace of God, one in Christ, and inspired by the Holy Spirit, rejoice in the resurrection and live in hope, peace, and joy. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

“On Our Way Rejoicing”

ELW # 537

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Linda Hamrick(Melo)

Joan Peterson (OSL)

Participants for Today's Worship, May 24

Acolyte: Jon O'Keefe and Julia Goroski
Ushers: John Carlson and Janice Lenhart
Lector: Jeanie Ulferts
Nursery: Emily Swope
Coffee Hosts: Jeanie Ulferts
Communion servers:
Melo Custodian: Mike Gallagher

May 17	
<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
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Participants for Next Sunday's Worship, May 31

Acolyte: Justin Haugtvedt
Ushers: Jack Sedlacek and John Carlson
Lector: Irmay Haugen
Nursery: Emily Swope
Coffee Hosts: Delores Sedlacek and Sharon Carlson
Melo Custodian: Ed Gulden

This week in the Parish

<u>Wednesday, May 27-</u>	New Member Class 7:00pm
<u>Next Sunday, May 31-</u>	Melo Worship 9:00 am
	OSL Worship 10:30 am

Prayer list

Those in need: Mitchel Benson, LaVerne Owens, Phyllis Stinar, Vicki Polchow, Catie Blanchard, Cameo Folz, Larry Johnson, Leah Hamre, Brittany Dvorak, Joe Yeado, Ray Swanson, Marlys Kohlhase, Destiny Bolton

Those who mourn: The Family of Joseph Penk, The Family of Carol Potucek

