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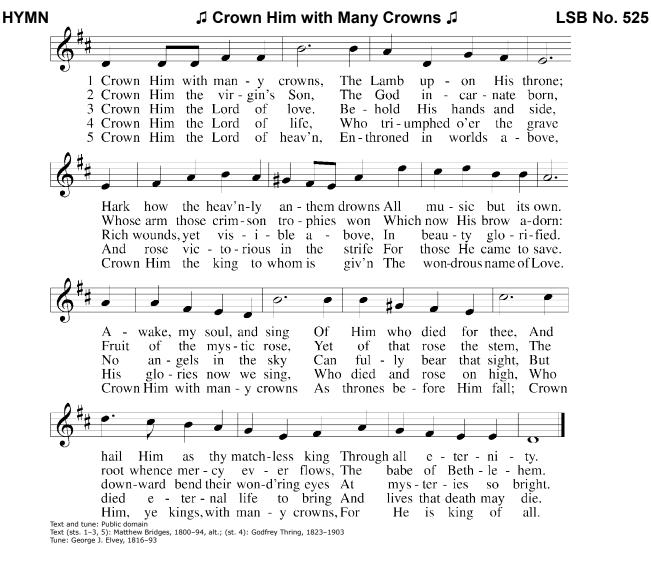
Sunday of May

22,2022
Canoga Park Lutheran Church
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Canoga Park, CA
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AS WE GATHER

The disciples thought they knew what Jesus was saying, but it was before Easter, and they could not understand. They would, "in that day," that is, after Jesus' victory and the Spirit's gift of faith. Now we with them know that He has overcome the world, all opposition, and even death itself. John's vision in Revelation depicts a perfect Jerusalem, clear and beautiful, with the Lamb as its lamp. Anticipating such nearness of God, in this our day we can pray, asking for whatever we need, confident of our Father's hearing. In the Reading from Acts, Paul has to tell everyone about his Easter joy, and the Lord opens Lydia's heart. She is baptized and opens her home for Paul and Luke to use to tell others. With the clarity of our Spirit-given Easter joy, we know, pray, and tell!

WELCOME AND WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS



INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: This is the day that the LORD has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Pastor: On another day, the one before He gave His life for us, our Lord said, "In that day you

will ask nothing of Me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you." Today, this side of Easter, we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise. But we cannot free ourselves from our sinning and our sinful condition. Let us therefore ask our heavenly Father for

forgiveness for Jesus' sake.

Pastor: Almighty God,

People: have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to

everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Although Jesus foretold about the disciples' scattering that very night, yet He said, "I

have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father

People: Amen! And may peace also be with you.

Pastor: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good,

People: by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by

Your merciful guiding accomplish them;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 16:9–15

⁹A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹³on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

²¹And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass. ²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the

Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL John 16:23–33

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

²³[Jesus said:] "In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.

"29 His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! 30 Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." 31 Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? 32 Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. 33 I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

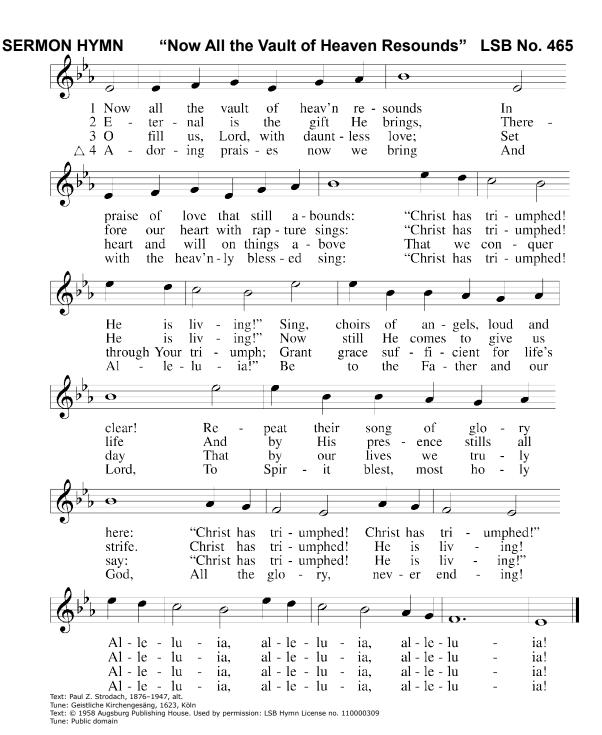
People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.



John 16:23-33

SERMON "First Trouble...Then Peace"



PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor:

We pray that the Spirit work faith in the hearts of many people who do not know about our Lord's overcoming the world through His death and resurrection. Grant that they join us to pray to our Father in heaven, to hallow His name, and to be instruments of His kingdom and will.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

People:

let all the peoples praise You!

Pastor:

We pray for people who call out to God for daily bread, everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body: those who are sick; in need of adequate food, clothing, or shelter; in conflict with family or neighbors; oppressed unjustly; dealing with calamity by fire or water; going into harm's way for the good of others; and those near and dear to us, [especially . . .]. Grant that they place their hope in Jesus' overcoming the world, realize God's protection and care, and find peace in God's answers to their prayers.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

People: let all the peoples praise You!

Pastor:

We pray for people who do not know the complete forgiveness for their trespasses that Christ has won for them and those who have strayed away from His protection into false belief and despair. Grant that God surround them with people bringing them His forgiveness in word and deed so that they might overcome the devil, the world, and their

own sinful nature to win the victory.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

People: let all the peoples praise You!

SPECIAL PETITIONS

Pastor: We ask God to answer those prayers we have not put into words, but are still known to

Him, our heavenly Father. Hear us, O Lord, for the sake of the death and resurrection of

Your Son, in whose name we pray. Let the peoples praise You, O God;

People: let all the peoples praise You! Amen; yes, yes, it shall be so.

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.

BLESSING

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

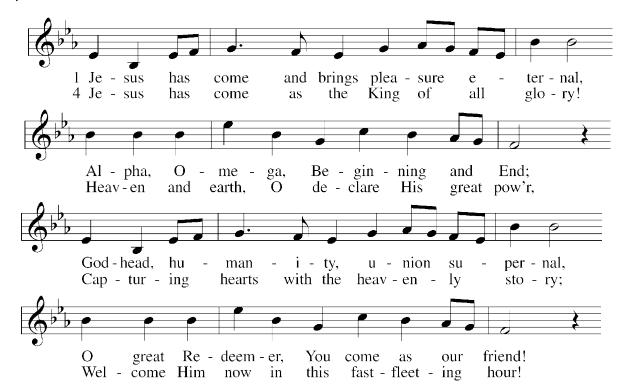
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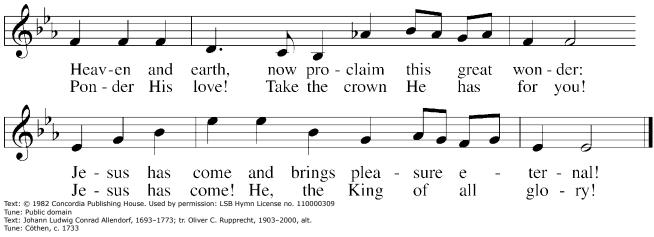
CLOSING SONG

JJesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure J

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verses 1,4





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We Are...

Canoga Caring

Park People

Lutheran Loving

Church Christ!



LA County has lifted the Mask Requirement. We all need to Remember: Everyone has a different comfort level and tolerance, so we need to be compassionate towards others. If you still feel more comfortable and safe wearing a mask into and during church - please go ahead and do so. We offer in-person Worship Sundays at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary.

(Holy Communion is offered the first and third Sunday of each month; and also by appointment with Pastor Tim during the week.)

This Worship is a combined Worship and is recorded and uploaded to our website so other members and folks all around the world are able to Worship with us! (Note - we get anywhere from 1,000-2,000 watches per month! All praise to God for this marvelous outreach of His Good News!) If you can't be with us in-person Sunday mornings, please Worship along with us online. Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

In HIS service & love - Pastor Tim

TITHES AND OFFERINGS We offer two ways to give to CPLC, through our Facebook page or on the church website. Also, you may continue to mail your tithes and offerings to the church: Canoga Park Lutheran Church, 7357 Jordan Ave. Canoga Park, CA 91303.

READER for today's worship: Donna Voogt _

READER for next Sunday, May 29 worship: Bob Eisman

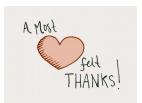


FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by Val & Sue Shiller in honor of granddaughter, Olivia's 5th Birthday! Thank you, God for this Sweet Blessing, of ours! Happy Birthday Olivia!



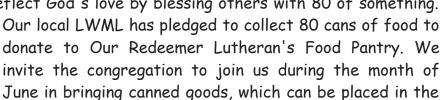


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THANK YOU AGAIN! Val and I both appreciate your love, caring, cards, food, calls, etc. while we have been isolated and hospitalized with COVID and Kidney issues. We are on the mend, thanks to all of you and the terrific Christian fellowship we have received.

The LWML is 80 years old! In thanksgiving for 80 years of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, each member, group, zone, or district is encouraged to reflect God's love by blessing others with 80 of something.





blessings!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR for Sunday, May 29 - "Imagine That!" Speaker: Dr.Dean Nadasdy. Dr. Nadasdy reflects on five images from the Book of Revelation and shows how God's Word plus faith and imagination equals hope.

wooden collection box at the back of the church. Thank you for sharing your

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PRAY FOR:

Suffering from an Illness: Ron Monson, (Michelle Jenks' Dad on hospice - heart is only at 20%); Susan Shiller, recovering from Kidney Stones & Covid illness; Val Shiller, recovering from Covid illness; Gail Sims (friend of Dave Harmon); Wayne

Stuber, pulmonary fibrosis (Jan Just's brother); Carol Paola; Jim & Kathleen, friends of Richard & Renate Rangel); Trudy Poppe; Autumn Bennett (Parkinson's disease; Craig Buchanan; Katie Hollis; Kat Krasomil (friend of Denise Lowry); Merle Ann Riggers; Mike Moran; Pam Canfield; Bob Boyle; Julie Dickerson; Jolene Thompson; Lindy Dickerson (one of our contractors)

Recovery: Walt Calhoon, Knee replacement surgery

New Home: Karen Thomas needs to find a new home, as soon as possible.

Cancer Treatments: Jamie, (Friend of Molly Kelly, young mother with stage 3 HPV cancer), Danny, (Longtime friend of Molly Kelly, bone cancer has returned), Susan Klein, (Rica Harding's mother, suffering from lung cancer, undergoing radiation treatments), Richard DeProspero (uncle of Kristen Christensen fighting multiple myleloma); Pastor Jon Imme (Peace Lutheran Church, Lakeview Terrace); Robyn Patterson, (friend of James Decker, fighting ovarian cancer, ascites); Mark Felmann (Carol Johnson's son, diagnosed with a cancerous growth near his brain. and undergoing special treatment); Loren Felten; Pam Buchanan; Steve Lohr; Kenney; Kristy Adams; Joyce Harmon (breast cancer, friend of Brian Buchanan); Brady Castro (teenager friend of Carol Paola's with high risk leukemia); Pastor Ray Kibler; Emily Warren

All who are affected by the Ukraine/Russia war, especially the refugees and their families.



News from the New Member/Shepherd Group

GETTING TO KNOW KIMBERLY



"KIM" SHEA
By Pat & Don

Say hello to Kim Shea, one of our newest members. Kim was born and raised in Pratt, Kansas and was a member of Our Savior Lutheran church in Pratt, Kansas. She discovered Canoga Park Lutheran while she was on the web looking for a Missouri Synod Lutheran Church that was close. Kim became a member of CPL through "affirmation of faith" on April 30, 2022, with Pastor Tim.

After 25 years in Kansas, she moved to California. She is married to husband, Jason, who works for Disney. They have a son, Jonah, and a daughter Arianna.

Kim is employed by Universal Music Group for 8 years in the Technology group as a Tech Audit Program Manager where she coordinates the external audits of the IT systems and applications. She is able to work from home as does Jason.

Kim's hobbies are reading, walking, and roller blading. (The kids ride their skateboards while mom and dad are roller blading.)

Her favorite things to do on vacation are snow skiing at Big Bear and visiting family in Kansas. Kim's older brother lives in Kansas and she has two nieces and one grand-niece. Also there are two nephews on Jason's side of the family.

All of her family are in Kansas, so when she visits, she gets to spend time with her parents, brother and his family, aunts and uncles, cousin and her best friend!

Kim has emphasized that our church membership is so friendly and welcoming! Be sure to welcome her as a member of our church family.