



# Easter | Sixth Sunday - Confirmation

8:30 am & 10:45 am May 5, 2024

10:45

**Choir** God's Word is Our Great Heritage

## New to COS?

If this is your first time at COS, please sign our guestbook:



## Kids Church

Rooms 100-104 after the children's message until the end of the 10:45 am service. Pre-school-4th grade.

## Nursery

Room 101. Drop off either before the start of 10:45 am worship or after the children's message. Children are welcome to stay in the service too.

## Hearing Assistance

The sanctuary is equipped with Williams Hearing Assist technology. Personal receivers are at the AV console.

**Hymn 557:1-4** Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

*Stand*

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

## Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just**

**and will forgive us our sins**

**and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Hymn Response: 557:5,10



5 He spoke to his be - lov - ed Son: "It's time to have com -  
10 "What I on earth have lived and taught be all your life and



pas - sion. Then go, bright jew - el of my crown, and bring to  
teach - ing; so shall my king - dom's work be wrought and hon - ored



all sal - va - tion. From sin and sor - row set them free; slay  
in your preach - ing. Take care that no one's man - made laws should



bit - ter death for them that they may live with you for - ev - er."  
e'er de - stroy the gos - pel's cause; this fi - nal word I leave you."

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, you are the giver of everything good. Inspire us, your humble servants, to long for what is right and, through your gracious guidance, accomplish it to your glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

Acts 9:36–42

<sup>36</sup>In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. <sup>37</sup>About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. <sup>38</sup>Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, “Please come at once!”

<sup>39</sup>Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

<sup>40</sup>Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, “Tabitha, get up.” She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord.

## Second Reading

1 John 4:7–11,19–21

<sup>7</sup>Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup>Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. <sup>9</sup>This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup>This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. <sup>11</sup>Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

<sup>19</sup>We love because he first loved us. <sup>20</sup>Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. <sup>21</sup>And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

1 Corinthians 13:13

*Refrain*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Tone**

And now these three remain: 'faith, hope, and love\* but the greatest of these' is love.

## Gospel

John 15:9–17

<sup>9</sup>“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup>My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command. <sup>15</sup>I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. <sup>17</sup>This is my command: Love each other.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated. The children in the 10:45 am service are invited to the chancel steps for a message.*

## Hymn 728 This is My Will

8:30 | Sermon

10:45 | Confirmation Verse Essays

*Stand*

## Apostles’ Creed

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

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.**

*Be seated*

## Prayer of the Church

Lord of life, fill our hearts with joy during this Easter season. Through the good news of your resurrection renew our hope and revive our faith. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

By baptizing us into your name, you have connected us to your death and resurrection. Enable us each day to think of ourselves as dead to sin and alive to you, so that we may walk in newness of life. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

In this fallen world, death and sorrow surround us. Touch the hearts of those who grieve the loss of a Christian they love. Direct their eyes to your empty tomb and ease their pain with the hope of the resurrection. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Lord, many people grieve without hope. Use us to somehow bring the message of resurrection to them, that faith may awaken in their hearts. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Stay by the side of all who are suffering. In your wise mercy, heal those who are sick, receiving treatment for illness, recovering from illness or surgery, or hurting in body or mind. [We pray especially for...] Remind them that your victory over death is a fact, and comfort them with your promise to raise them and give them and all believers new, glorified bodies like yours. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

Risen Savior, feed our faith with the message of your resurrection. Continue coming to us in Word and Sacrament until we feast with you in eternal glory.  
**Amen.**

## Offering

*Offerings may be given via the QR code ([cosrock.org/donate](https://cosrock.org/donate)) or the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.*



**Hymn 876** Fight the Good Fight

*Stand*

8:30

## **Closing Prayer**

Almighty God, through your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before you in righteousness and purity forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

10:45

## **Rite of Confirmation**

*Michael Barile*  
*Jacob Lamborne*  
*Lucy O'Brien*  
*Anneli Sullivan*

**Choir** You Do Not Walk Alone

## **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**Hymn 824** This is the Threefold Truth

# Announcements

## **Mothers' Day Flowers**

*8:30 am & 10:45 am, Sunday, May 12*

All mothers in attendance next Sunday receive flowers from their children in honor of Mothers Day.

## **Sunday School Children Sing**

*8:30 am & 10:45 am Sunday, May 12*

The Sunday School children sing "My Hope is in the Lord" in both services next Sunday.

## **Youth Group Game Night**

*5:00 pm, Sunday, May 19*

Christ Our Savior youth in 6th-12th grades are invited to a game night on May 19 from 5:00p—7:00p each night. Dinner is provided. Sign at [cosrock.org/youth](http://cosrock.org/youth).

## **Nursery Volunteers**

*Sundays May 26 - September 1*

We would like to provide a nursery in the 10:00 am service during the summer months, so we need volunteers! Please fill out the form at [cosrock.org/nursery](http://cosrock.org/nursery). We will use it to create a schedule. Contact Amy Sullivan with questions (616) 308-1550.

## **Summer Sundays Schedule Change**

*Sundays May 26 - September 1*

Beginning Memorial Day weekend the late Sunday service start time moves up to 10:00 am. The 6:30 pm Thursday and 8:30 am Sunday services remain unchanged. The 9:45 am Sunday School, Little Lambs, and Adult Forum will be on hiatus until September 15.

## **Youth Group-The Oz Escape**

*Saturday, June 1*

Christ Our Savior youth in 6th-12th grades will close out this school year with an outdoor escape room-style event in Grand Rapids called The Oz Escape on Saturday, June 1. Sign up at [cosrock.org/youth](http://cosrock.org/youth).

## **COS E Bulletin**

The weekly COS E Bulletin comes out on Thursdays. If you do not receive it, subscribe by clicking the "eBulletin" button on the top right of [cosrock.org](http://cosrock.org).

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## birthdays & anniversaries

### Sunday, May 5

8:30 am Worship  
9:45 am Sunday School/Little Lambs/  
Adult Forum  
10:45 am Worship-Confirmation

Sheerine Theurer  
Audree Wheeler

### Monday, May 6

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study  
9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's  
6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study

Judi Castle  
Kyle Varady

### Tuesday, May 7

9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's  
7:00 pm Evangelism

Zach Klepchak  
Preston Schmitzer

### Wednesday, May 8

9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's

Caroline Berson

### Thursday, May 9

9:00 am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Preschool 3's  
6:30 pm Worship

Kelli Jonas

### Friday, May 10

9:00am Preschool 4's  
9:15 am Toddler Time

James & Carly Glanzman [21]  
Jane Evenson  
Josh Rollenhagen  
Samantha Zebell

### Saturday, May 11

### Sunday, May 12

8:30 am Worship  
9:45 am Sunday School/Little Lambs  
9:45 am Adult Forum  
10:45 am Worship

Glen & Stacey Beers [23]  
Larry Czerski  
Liz Harris  
Joyce Ketchum

*\*meets offsite*

### Organist

Kathy Marten

### Liturgy

Pastor Steve Hahm

### Sermon

Pastor Tim Gauger

### Offerings

Rick Schrader

Bonnie Schrader

### Altar Guild

Jill Weber

Rebekah Becker

Rosemary Winicki

Laurie Marquis

### 8:30 am

### Streaming

Chaz Varady

### Acolyte

Cole Greenland

### Lector

Paul Becker

### Usher

Paul Becker

Andrew Becker

### Coffee Set Up

Randy Hampton

Heidi Hampton

### 10:45 am

### Streaming

Andrea Eggert

Eli Eggert

### Acolyte

Jackson Veine

### Lector

Tim Dahlke

### Usher

Derek Rummel

Scott Veine

### Coffee Clean Up

Jason DeWeerd

Stacy DeWeerd



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