

# *Seventh Sunday of Easter*



*May 17, 2025 | 10:30 a.m.*

*Kviteseid Lutheran Church  
308 North Third Street  
Milan, Minnesota*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

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**Welcome to worship at Kviteseid Lutheran Church...** *We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service and our time of sharing afterward. Blessings!*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GATHERING HYMN**                      “Earth and All Stars!”                      vs. 1,4,5    ELW #731

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

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

WL    God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. 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.

C      **Amen**

WL    Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
Gracious God,

C      **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**  
**Amen.**

WL    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.

C      **Amen**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

WL    Let us pray.

**C O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE** “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

ELW #767

**READINGS**

*Acts 1: 6-14*

**PSALM 68:1-10,32-35**

**L <sup>1</sup> Let God arise, and let God’s enemies be scattered; let those who hate God flee.**

**C <sup>2</sup> As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away; as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.**

**L <sup>3</sup> But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them also be merry and joyful.**

**C <sup>4</sup> Sing to God, sing praises to God’s name; exalt the one who rides the clouds; I AM is that name, rejoice before God!**

**L <sup>5</sup> In your holy habitation, O God, you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;**

**C <sup>6</sup> you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom; but the rebels shall live in desert places.**

**L <sup>7</sup> O God, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,**

**C <sup>8</sup> the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**

**L <sup>9</sup> You sent a bountiful rain, O God; you restored your inheritance when it languished.**

**C <sup>10</sup> Your people found their home in it; in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.**

**L <sup>32</sup> Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord.**

**C <sup>33</sup> You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens; you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.**

**L <sup>34</sup> Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.**

C <sup>35</sup> How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel, giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!

**GOSPEL**

WL The Holy Gospel according to John, the 17<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: John 17:1-11**

WL The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**SHARING THE PEACE**

**SERMON**

**HYMN** “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me” ELW # 325

**OFFERING**

**JINGLE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE** “We Give Thee but Thine Own” vs. 1&4 ELW #686

**RECOGNITION OF SENIORS**

**SENIOR BLESSING**

WL May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord watch over you and keep you safe.  
May the Lord guide your every step.  
May you always know of our unending support for you.

C **Amen**

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilot,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

*Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:*

**WL** Merciful God  
**C** receive our prayer

*At the conclusion with:*

**C** Amen.

### **THE 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.

### **BLESSING**

**WL** 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 bless you now and forever. give you peace.

**C** Amen

WL Go in Peace and serve the Lord

C Thanks be to God!

### Dismissal

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**Lector today:** Heidi Hanson

**Next Sunday:** Char Strand

**Media Operator today:** London Strand **Next Sunday:** None Needed

**Video Recorder today:** Theresea Erickson **Next Sunday:** None Needed

**May Usher Group:** Group 2 with Captain Char Johnson, Connie Fragodt, Kim Heimdahl, Teresa Olson, Karla Schwendemann, Sue Streed and Kim Thompson

**June Usher Group:** Group 5 with Captain Brian Olson, Randy Fragodt, Daivid Thompson, Ray Trager, John Vetter and Josh Vetter

**Coffee fellowship** is in the narthex before worship. Ushers will make the coffee. Please sign up to serve goodies. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. If someone would like to serve, coffee can be in the fellowship hall instead.

**Offerings** can be mailed to the church (PO Box 31, Milan, MN 56262) or given online at [milanslutheranchurch.com](http://milanslutheranchurch.com).

**Jingle offering** every Sunday for kids. Drop your coins in the can and *MAKE SOME NOISE!*

**Congratulations** to Gabrielle Augeson, Gunner Liebl, Jessa Norby and Ty Norby who

will be graduating from Montevideo High School and Dawson Boyd High School next Sunday. Today, we recognize these four seniors for their achievements during our worship service. All are invited to a coffee and goodies reception in their honor in the fellowship hall following worship this morning.

**An Open House reception** celebrating Ty Norby and Jessa Norby's high school graduation will be held Saturday, May 23rd, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Norbys home. All are welcome!

**Please join us for a baby shower** honoring Cale Norby and Alayna Stenson as they prepare to welcome twin girls! The shower will be held May 31st at Hope Reformed Church in Montevideo from 1pm -3pm. All are welcome to celebrate with them!

**Please remember in your prayers for recovered health:** Jim Hanson, Dave Hastings, and all those who are in need of healing.

**Devotional booklets** “Christ in Our Home” and “The Word in Season” for the months of October through December are available at church in the narthex and in the hallway by the church offices. There are also a few large print copies.

**Need more volunteers** to run the camera during the worship service.

**Happy Birthday this week to:** Gloria Kleven, Janet Tostenson, Lauralai Elsner-Brown, Soren Moen, Tim Hilden and Janelle Streed

**Happy Anniversary this week to:** None

**Lakeside Worship** Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. (note the time) at the Milan Beach Resort. Joint worship with Big Bend, Borgund, Immanuel, Kviteseid, Minnesota Valley and Zion Lutheran Churches. Bring a lawn chair and invite your neighbor. In case of inclement weather, worship will be held here at Kviteseid.

**Prayers of support for our partnership ministries:** Kwa Nodwengu Circuit of the ELCSA in South Africa, ELCA Presiding Bishop Yehiel Curry and the churchwide staff, Southwestern Minnesota Synod Bishop Dee Pederson and the synod staff.

**We pray for wisdom and learning** for Anele Alwande Ngema and Noluvo Nozibusiso Sithole, students in South Africa, as they attend school.

## **This week's happenings:**

Tues., May 19 *June Newsletter deadline*

Wed., May 20 Board of Deacons meeting 6:00 p.m.  
Board of Trustees meeting 7:00 p.m.

Sun., May 24 Lakeside Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Coffee Fellowship at the lake 10:15 a.m.



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