

**St. Olaf Lutheran Church**  
**Sunday, May 10, 2026**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

*Jesus does not abandon his followers. Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation. As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth. We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Foundation Scholarship Recognition**

**Bob Younie**

**\*Call to Worship**

P: Christ is Risen!

**C: He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

P: Let us raise our voices to our risen and living Savior! Christ is Risen!

**C: He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

**\*Hymn**

*Take My Life, That I May Be*

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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**Grad Recognition**

**First Reading: Ezekiel 43:1-7a**

1 Then he brought me to the gate, the gate facing east. 2 And there the glory of the God of Israel was coming from the east; the sound was like the sound of mighty waters, and the earth shone with his glory. 3 The vision I saw was like the vision that

I had seen when he came to destroy the city and like the vision that I had seen by the River Chebar, and I fell upon my face. 4 As the glory of the Lord entered the temple by the gate facing east, 5 the spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple.

6 While the man was standing beside me, I heard someone speaking to me out of the temple. 7a He said to me: “Mortal, this is the place of my throne and the place for the soles of my feet, where I will reside among the people of Israel forever.”

L: Word of God. Word of Life

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Psalm: Psalm 66:17-20**

<sup>17</sup> I called out to God | with my mouth,  
and praised the Lord | with my tongue.

<sup>18</sup> **If I had cherished evil | in my heart,  
the Lord would | not have heard me;**

<sup>19</sup> but in truth | God has heard me  
and has attended to the sound | of my prayer.

<sup>20</sup> **Blessed be God, who has not reject- | ed my prayer,  
nor withheld unfailing | love from me.**

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-18a**

<sup>13</sup> Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, <sup>15</sup> but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, <sup>16</sup> yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. <sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God.

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**\*Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia)**

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**\*Gospel: John 14:15-21**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>15</sup> “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate,

to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup> This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup> In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup> On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup> They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

P: The gospel of our Lord

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

**Children’s Sermon**

*Blessing of Women*

**Pastor Emily Sauer-Alvarez**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Emily Sauer-Alvarez**

**\*Hymn**

*Borning Cry*

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*Please be seated*

**Holy Baptism**

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**Baptism: Elaine Ann Felch**

*Parents: Zac and Kelsey Felch*

*Godparents: Nick and Haley Decker*

**\* Prayers of Intercession**

Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

**\*Peace** (*Feel free to share a handshake or hug*)

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Please share with one another a sign of Christ’s peace.

**Offering:** *Please consider giving an offering for the mission and ministry of St. Olaf. We can continue to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ with your support and generosity. God bless you. Also, please pass the attendance sheets down your row and fill out your info.*

**\*Offering prayer**

Merciful God,  
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.  
Nourish us,  
that goodness and mercy may follow us  
and bless the world you love.  
In the name of Jesus,  
**Amen.**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**\*Blessing**

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,  
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,  
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,  
✠ bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

*Go, My Children, With My Blessing*

**ELW 543**

**\*Dismissal**

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Happy Mother's Day!**

*Ladies, please feel free to take a carnation and we hope you have a wonderful day.*

**Assisting in Worship**

Presider: Pastor Jim McColley  
Assisting: Pastor Emily Sauer-Alvarez  
Organist: Jason Swedlund  
Reader: Stacy Hendrickson  
Ushers: Mitch Craigmile, Doug Seltz  
Tech: Bob Younie