

Easter Season 2025

Welcome to Lord of Life!

All are welcome here. We extend a special welcome to visitors. We're glad you joined us today!
The following information may help you in your worship experience and getting to know Lord of Life.

Communal words spoken and sung will be on the screen and/or in this bulletin. The bold text is spoken together. Songs/hymns can also be found (with music) in either Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) cranberry hymnal or All Creation Sings (ACS) purple hymnal. Both can be found under a chair near you.

Holy Communion is the Lord's Table and all are welcome, regardless of age. We celebrate the Eucharist (literally "thanksgiving") during worship every Sunday. Our bread is dairy, nut, and gluten-free; wine and juice are both available.

Children are welcome in this place! At baptism, we welcome people into God's family and the community of Lord of Life. Children of all ages are integral members of the Body of Christ, and have a place in our community that includes worship. Children learn by seeing, hearing, and experiencing worship with adults who care about them (not just their parents). We embrace the sounds and activity that accompany them. We have a few resources for parents:

PrayGround: Table up front with coloring supplies. Go with your child, sit near the table, or send them independently.

Activity Bags: great things to occupy busy hands during worship, located in the shelves just outside the sanctuary; ask an usher if you need help finding them.

Nursery (for children 0-5, 5-7 by exception): You can leave young children in the nursery. Our nursery attendant has been background checked. There is a sign-in sheet for security.

Narthex (Gathering/Entrance space): Benches, rocking chairs, or space to move around.

Offering is an act of worship and a privilege to return to God a portion of what God has given us. If you are a guest, do not feel obligated to give, but for those comfortable participating, please join us in this act of worship. Offerings given today are joyfully used for outreach to the greater church/community and for the work and ministry of Lord of Life. You may donate by using the QR code that leads you to the website (www.lordoflife.org), by mail, using direct deposit with your bank, or RMD / QCD / or stock gift (in consultation with your financial advisor).

If at anytime you are uncomfortable standing, you are free to remain seated.

If you are worshipping from home, you are invited to participate, not just observe. Please prepare your own sacred space for worship. You might include some candles, a cross, and water for remembering your baptism. Join worship in-person to celebrate Communion with the congregation! If that is not possible, please reach out and we can have a member of our Care Team arrange a visit with Communion.

Lord of Life is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). We are located on the ancestral homeland of the Cayuse, Umatilla, Walla Walla, Palouse, Wanapum, and Yakama peoples. We give thanks for their presence and care of this land since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

You can learn more at www.elca.org.

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING OF BAPTISM

*This liturgy is from Meta Herrick Carlson in her book *Speak It Plain: Words for Worship and Life Together*. She says, "By choosing water and the word, God takes care of the cosmic mystery and gives us the simple parts to tend with wonder." We give thanks for the gift of water that sustains us and, in the gift of baptism, connects us to Christ for death and resurrection.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who creates, saves, and sends us
with love that lives forever.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we give thanks for the Great Exchange,
the mercy and forgiveness that wrap
our true selves in sacred belonging and purpose.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

For a word at the dawn of creation, which spoke water and life into being.
For the great flood that revealed nature's power and God's commitment to life after death.
For the river that carried Moses safely, building a bridge between mothers and nations.
For the rock split open in the desert, spilling water for those thirsting for freedom.
For the One who turned water to wine and met a woman at the well with living water.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

For the gift of holy baptism, which declares there are no more godforsaken places,
and nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus.
For Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

God of life, we rejoice with the waters that cover creation; the great oceans like the Pacific, wide rivers like the Columbia, and the reservoirs and aquifers that sustain us in the desert, our home. Our songs of praise echo the dancing tides and streams. Pour out your Holy Spirit on this community and all of creation.

Cleanse our fears. Drown our divisions. Give us mercy and grace to drink so that our whole lives are signs of death defeated and thirst quenched thanks to the risen Jesus, the Son of God.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

April 27 - ELW #384 *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright*

May 4 - ELW #770 *Give Me Jesus*

May 11 - ELW #453 *Baptized and Set Free*

May 18 - ACS #1038 *God, We Gather as Your People*

May 25 - ELW # 456 *Baptized in Water*

June 1 - ELW # 641 *All Are Welcome*

GREETING

Alleluia, Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

This is the day that the Lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

KYRIE, ELW Setting 8, p. 184

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

April 27

Mysterious and Divine Presence, too often our hearts burn within us because our bodies know before our minds that you are here working in us and through us in this world. Open our eyes, and help us to recognize you in all places and in all people, for the sake of the one whose presence is never far, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

May 4

Holy Giver and Receiver of life, your martyr, Stephen, shined with the light of your Holy Spirit. When his opponents took his life, he offered up his spirit to you, and prayed mercy for theirs. Make Stephen an example of faith and courage for all your followers, for the sake of the one who brought light and life to this world, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

May 11

Fulfillment of the prophecies, with scripture and water you claim people as your own. Claim us with water and the word, so that we may rejoice in the life given to us through the gift of the Holy Spirit, for the sake of the one whose spirit lives in us, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

May 18

Lord of all, in Jesus you have made us all sisters and brothers in Christ. There is no distinction between Gentile and Jew. There is no separation that can remove any from fellowship in Christ's community. Blind us to our differences so that in unity we may proclaim your truth to all, for the sake of Jesus Christ in whom there is harmony and peace.

Amen.

May 25

Lord of justification, with great joy we receive the gift of salvation which is ours not because of our own efforts, but because of the saving work of Christ. Grant us full access to the glory of your salvation, an abundance that is more than enough for all humankind, for the sake of our redeeming Christ.

Amen.

June 1

Faithful Deliverer, you have chosen us to receive salvation by faith, not by the works of our hands. Deliver us, then, from the law, and free us from the bondage of sin so that with our hands we might serve you in purity of joy and response to your goodness, for the sake of Jesus Christ, who is all goodness.

Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

May 18—*One Faith, One Hope, One Lord*. Words and music by Craig Courtney. Lorenz Publishing, 2009. (Men of Life Choir)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission Moment, April 27—Mission Possible
Milestone, May 18—Driver's License

Meal

OFFERING

A collection of material goods for the church's mission, including the care of those in need, is a sign of the giving of our whole selves in grateful response for all God's gifts. We offer to God what God has first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Your financial gifts for LoL can be placed in the offering box at the baptismal font, made electronically through our website (www.thelordoflife.org), sent in the mail, using direct deposit with your bank, or RMD / QCD / or stock gift (in consultation with your financial advisor). Please contact the Financial Secretary with questions.

OFFERING SONG: ELW #885 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of glory, **receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from the earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We praise you, God of freedom, for you breathed life into the void
and showed yourself as the one who loves in freedom.

From the nothingness of slavery you called a people into being and led them to springs of life;
the presence of your glory went with shattered exiles into strange and distant lands
and gathered from the valley of despair the flesh and blood of living hope.

In Jesus, you confronted the powers that killed and oppressed,
you spoke to those considered dead and helped them stand again;
you taught us to die that we might live.

He gave himself for us, tortured and forsaken, but he could not be confined by death;
in the garden he speaks our name, in the breaking of bread he shows himself among us;
by the lakeside, in the new day, he calls us to take up his work.

Therefore, with all who lost faith, all who walked away in sadness,
with the women at the tomb, and the men who hid in fear,
we confess ourselves surprised by the suddenness of dawn
and join the undying song of heaven:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

At the meal where he dined with his friends who would betray and deny...

LORD'S PRAYER

Please use the version or language of your heart.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught.

**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.

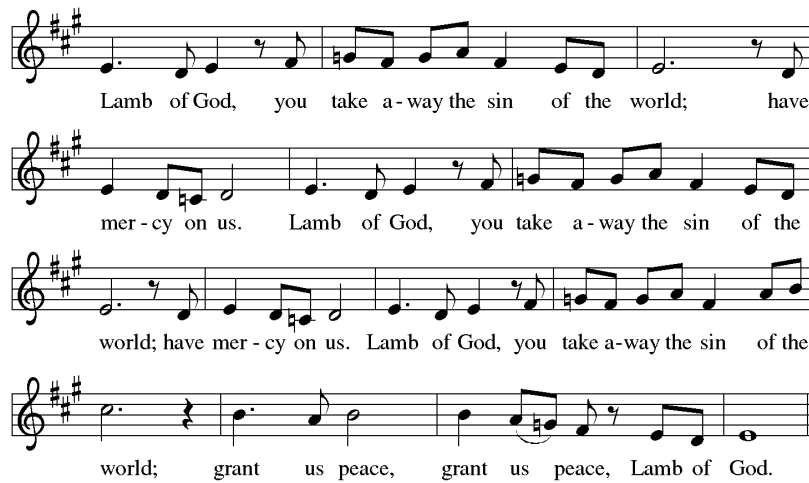
COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's table, as we receive the presence of Christ for us in bread and wine. This meal is for all regardless of age, race, gender, sexual orientation, criminal record, or list of offenses.

Make your way to the front using the side aisle. There will be bread, wine, and grape juice. A basket to collect used cups is in the center. After receiving the elements, return to your seat by the center aisle. If you have questions when you get up front, it is okay to ask. The bread is gluten-free, nut-free, dairy-free, and full of grace!

The Meal may be brought to your seat if it would be helpful; please let the ushers know and they will notify the leaders.

LAMB OF GOD, ELW Setting 8, p. 191



MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

April 27 - ELW #740 *God of the Sparrow*

May 4 - ACS #1027 *Don't Be Afraid*; ACS #1025 *If We Live, We Live to the Lord*

May 11 - *Spirit of the Living God* (next page); ACS #944 *O Spirit All-Embracing*

May 18 - ELW #496 *One Bread, One Body*; ACS #1037 *Christ, Our Peace*

May 25 - ELW #635 *We Walk By Faith*

June 1 - ELW #496 *One Bread, One Body*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Risen Christ, whom we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands; the word of life in whom our joy is complete: send us out to declare your truth, your unshakable faith in the world you love.

Amen.

Sending

BLESSING

May the living God remove the suffocating shroud that lies upon our world;
may the risen Savior draw the sting of death, bringing all to life in him;
may the flowing Spirit set us and all creation free and seal our hearts with faith;
and the blessing of God almighty, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
sustain us now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

You are invited to turn and face the cross as it leads our way into the world.

April 27 - ELW #374 *Day of Arising*

May 4 - ELW #389 *Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing*

May 11 - ELW #537 *On Our Way Rejoicing*

May 18 - ELW #654 *The Church's One Foundation*

May 25 - ELW #886 *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

June 1 - ELW #551 *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Music not in the hymnals

May 11—Communion—Spirit of the Living God

Chorus

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.

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Readings for Easter Season

APRIL 27

Luke 24:13-35 - Second Sunday of Easter

¹³Now on that same day two of [the Followers] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." ²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to

them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

MAY 4

Acts 6:1- 7:2a, 44-60 - Third Sunday of Easter

¹Now during those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. ²And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. ³Therefore, friends, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, ⁴while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word." ⁵What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

⁷The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith. ⁸And Stephen replied:

"Brothers and fathers, listen to me. The God of glory appeared to our ancestor Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran, ⁴⁴Our ancestors had the tent of testimony in the wilderness, as God directed when he spoke to Moses, ordering him to make it according to the pattern he had seen. ⁴⁵Our ancestors in turn brought it in with Joshua when they dispossessed the nations that God drove out before our ancestors. And it was there until the time of David, ⁴⁶who found favor with God and asked that he might find a dwelling place for the house of Jacob. ⁴⁷But it was Solomon who built a house for him. ⁴⁸Yet the Most High does not dwell in houses made with human hands as the prophet says,

⁴⁹'Heaven is my throne,
and the earth is my footstool.

What kind of house will you build for me, says the Lord,
or what is the place of my rest?

⁵⁰Did not my hand make all these things?

⁵¹You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you are forever opposing the Holy Spirit, just as your ancestors used to do. ⁵²Which of the prophets did your ancestors not persecute? They killed those who foretold the coming of the Righteous One, and now you have become his betrayers and murderers. ⁵³You are the ones that received the law as ordained by angels, and yet you have not kept it."

⁵⁴When they heard these things, they became enraged and ground their teeth at Stephen. ⁵⁵But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶Look, he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

MAY 11

Acts 8:26-39 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

²⁶Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

MAY 18

Acts 15:1-18 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

¹Then certain individuals came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." ²And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to discuss this question with the apostles and the elders. ³So they were sent on their way by the church, and as they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, they reported the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the believers. ⁴When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they reported all that God had done with them. ⁵But some believers who belonged to the sect of the Pharisees stood up and said, "It is necessary for them to be circumcised and ordered to keep the law of Moses."

⁶The apostles and the elders met together to consider this matter. ⁷After there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "My brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that I should be the one through whom the Gentiles would hear the message of the good news and become believers. ⁸And God, who knows the human heart, testified to them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as he did to us; ⁹and in cleansing their hearts by faith he has made no distinction between them and us. ¹⁰Now therefore why are you putting God to the test by placing on the neck of the disciples a yoke that neither our ancestors nor we have been able to bear? ¹¹On the contrary, we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will."

¹²The whole assembly kept silence, and listened to Barnabas and Paul as they told of all the signs and wonders that God had done through them among the Gentiles. ¹³After they finished speaking, James replied, "My brothers, listen to me. ¹⁴Simeon has related how God first looked favorably on the Gentiles, to take from among them a people for his name. ¹⁵This agrees with the words of the prophets, as it is written,

¹⁶'After this I will return,

and I will rebuild the dwelling of David, which has fallen;
from its ruins I will rebuild it, and I will set it up,

¹⁷so that all other peoples may seek the Lord —

even all the Gentiles over whom my name has been called. Thus says the Lord, who has been making these things ¹⁸known from long ago.'

MAY 25

Galatians 1:13—2:2, 9-21 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

¹³You [the churches of Galatia] heard about my previous life in Judaism, how severely I[, Paul,] harassed God's church and tried to destroy it. ¹⁴I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my peers, because I was much more militant about the traditions of my ancestors. ¹⁵But God had set me apart from birth and called me through his grace. He was pleased ¹⁶to reveal his Son to me, so that I might preach about him to the Gentiles. I didn't immediately consult with any human being. ¹⁷I didn't go up to Jerusalem to see the men who were apostles before me either, but I went away into Arabia and I returned again to Damascus. ¹⁸Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days. ¹⁹But I didn't see any other of the apostles except James the brother of the Lord. ²⁰Before God, I'm not lying about the things that I'm writing to you! ²¹Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia, ²²but I wasn't known personally by the Christian churches in Judea. ²³They only heard a report about me: "The man who used to harass us now preaches the faith that he once tried to destroy." ²⁴So they were glorifying God because of me.

^{2:1} Then after fourteen years I went up to Jerusalem again with Barnabas, and I took Titus along also. ² I went there because of a revelation, and I laid out the gospel that I preach to the Gentiles for them. But I did it privately with the influential leaders to make sure that I wouldn't be working or that I hadn't worked for nothing.

⁹ James, Cephas, and John, who are considered to be key leaders, shook hands with me and Barnabas as equals when they recognized the grace that was given to me. So it was agreed that we would go to the Gentiles, while they continue to go to the people who were circumcised. ¹⁰ They asked only that we would remember the poor, which was certainly something I was willing to do.

¹¹ But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he was wrong. ¹² He had been eating with the Gentiles before certain people came from James. But when they came, he began to back out and separate himself, because he was afraid of the people who promoted circumcision. ¹³ And the rest of the Jews also joined him in this hypocrisy so that even Barnabas got carried away with them in their hypocrisy. ¹⁴ But when I saw that they weren't acting consistently with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in front of everyone, "If you, though you're a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you require the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

¹⁵ We are born Jews—we're not Gentile sinners. ¹⁶ However, we know that a person isn't made righteous by the works of the Law but rather through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. We ourselves believed in Christ Jesus so that we could be made righteous by the faithfulness of Christ and not by the works of the Law—because no one will be made righteous by the works of the Law. ¹⁷ But if it is discovered that we ourselves are sinners while we are trying to be made righteous in Christ, then is Christ a servant of sin? Absolutely not! ¹⁸ If I rebuild the very things that I tore down, I show that I myself am breaking the Law. ¹⁹ I died to the Law through the Law, so that I could live for God. ²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. And the life that I now live in my body, I live by faith, indeed, by the faithfulness of God's Son, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹ I don't ignore the grace of God, because if we become righteous through the Law, then Christ died for no purpose.

**Common English Bible translation*

JUNE 1

Galatians 3:1-9,23-29 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

¹ You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly exhibited as crucified! ² The only thing I want to learn from you is this: Did you receive the Spirit by doing the works of the law or by believing what you heard? ³ Are you so foolish? Having started with the Spirit, are you now ending with the flesh? ⁴ Did you experience so much for nothing? — if it really was for nothing. ⁵ Well then, does God supply you with the Spirit and work miracles among you by your doing the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard? ⁶ Just as Abraham "believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness," ⁷ so, you see, those who believe are the descendants of Abraham. ⁸ And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, declared the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "All the Gentiles shall be blessed in you." ⁹ For this reason, those who believe are blessed with Abraham who believed.

²³ Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

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