

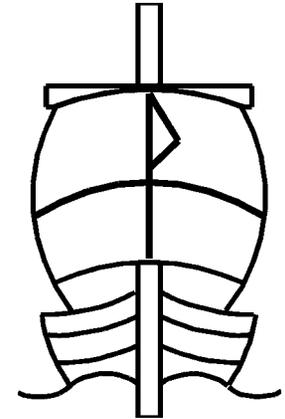
# *Pinawa Lutheran Church*

A congregation of the ELCIC &  
The Brokenhead Shared Ministry  
*Altruism, Stewardship, Faith, Cooperation*

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter*  
*May 18, 2025*

*Worship Leader: Anita Drabyk*

**With One Voice – Service of Word and Prayer**  
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**GATHERING SONG**    WOV 633 – *Awake, Awake...*

**GREETING** – Lent to Pentecost

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**SCRIPTURE SONG**

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** O Lord God, **you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.    Amen**

## **FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18**

<sup>1</sup> Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup> So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup> saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” <sup>4</sup> Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup> “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup> As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup> I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ <sup>8</sup> But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ <sup>9</sup> But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ <sup>10</sup> This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup> At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup> The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. <sup>13</sup> He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup> he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ <sup>15</sup> And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup> And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>17</sup> If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” <sup>18</sup> When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

## PSALM 148

- <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise God in the heights.  
<sup>2</sup> **Praise the LORD, all you angels; sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.**  
<sup>3</sup> Praise the LORD, sun and moon; sing praise, all you shining stars.  
<sup>4</sup> **Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.**  
<sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD, who commanded, and they were created,  
<sup>6</sup> **who made them stand fast forever and ever, giving them a law that shall not pass away.**  
<sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps;  
<sup>8</sup> **fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing God's will;**  
<sup>9</sup> mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;  
<sup>10</sup> **wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds;**  
<sup>11</sup> sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;  
<sup>12</sup> **young men and maidens, old and young together.**  
<sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD, whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.  
<sup>14</sup> **The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all faithful servants,  
the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. Hallelujah!**

## SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6

<sup>1</sup> I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; <sup>4</sup> he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."  
<sup>5</sup> And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup> Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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## GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 359 - *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

- 1 Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;  
brought here together by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
- 2 With grateful joy and holy fear, God's charity we learn;  
let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in return.
- 3 Let us recall that in our midst dwells Christ, God's holy Son;  
as members of each body joined, in him we are made one.

- 4 Let strife among us be unknown; let all contentions cease.  
Be God's the glory that we seek; be his our only peace.
- 5 Let us forgive each other's faults as we our own confess,  
that we may love each other well in Christian gentleness.

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**  
**PEACE**

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**OFFERING:** The offering plate is on the table at the church entrance.

**OFFERTORY: What Have We to Offer?**

What have we to offer? What have we to share?

Coins from the coffer, hearts filled with care.

God will not falter; so let us dare lay it at the altar there.

What have we to offer? What have we to bring?

Love, ripe with laughter; hope that we can sing;

dreams of what we're after; promises of when. Lay it at the altar then.

What have we to offer? What have we to give?

Eyes that are wide open; lies that we won't live;

truth that must be spoken; justice somehow. Lay it at the altar now.

What have we to offer? What have we to give?

Lives ..... we will live.

**OFFERING PRAYER:**  
**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

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**LORD'S PRAYER**

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**BLESSING**

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**SENDING SONG** WOY 770 – *I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DISMISSAL**  
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**BIBLE STUDY:** 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of May – 10am. All are welcome.

**IRONWOOD SERVICE:** 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month – 1:30pm.

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