

**Announcements for the week of May 3, 2026**

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**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR Sunday, May 10, 2026**

Acts 17:22-31; Psalms 66:8-20; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

• **Our Members Living in Long Term Care:**

(Please keep them in your prayers. Addresses are posted on the bulletin board.)

Harmony River Living Center in Hutchinson:	Olive Pinske
The Haven in Norwood Young America:	Mavis Schuette.
Broadwell Senior Living, Plymouth:	Jim Jensen, Apt 228
Orchard Estates:	Donna Schmidt, Room 115
Cokato Manor:	Orville Schrupp, Rm 151
Glenfields Living with Care, Glencoe	Margie Stockman

**Please be here 30 minutes before worship:**

May 3 - John & Ann Graupmann  
 May 10 - James Leith & Paul Good  
 May 17 - VeeAnn Wood  
 May 24 - Scott Graupmann  
 May 31 - Sandra Frederickson & Rich Milota

**Scripture Reader**

James Leith

**Fellowship Time**

May 10 - Marjorie Stockmann, Orville & Betty Wilkens  
 May 24 - Dale & Diane Anderson, Chris Siverhus & Peg Flusemann  
 June 14 - Bob & Patsy Becker, Lyle & Dana Englemann

**Altar / Communion**

May	Denise Scharpe
June	Marjorie Stockman
July	Diane Anderson



**St. Paul's United Church of Christ  
Plato, MN**

**Sunday, May 3, 2026  
9:00 a.m.**



**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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Organist: Diane Anderson**

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*In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me. You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me, take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge. Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.*

– Psalms 31

May 3, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Organist: Diane Anderson

Ringling of the Bell

Opening Hymn # 88 *“More Precious than Silver”*

*Lord, you are more precious than silver; Lord, you are more costly than gold. Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds. And nothing I desire compares with you.*

\*Passing God's Peace

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Younger Disciples Time

**Call to Worship (Responsively)**

Pastor: Gaze into heaven and see the glory of God. Lift up your eyes to behold the risen Christ.

**Congregation:** *God is our rock of refuge, a strong fortress. Christ leads us and guides us every day.*

Pastor: Indeed, you have tasted the goodness of God. You have known the presence of Christ, God's chosen one.

**Congregation:** *Every day we long for pure spiritual milk. Each day, we are inspired by the living Christ.*

Pastor: Then let us lay our troubles at Christ's feet. Let us enter the sanctuary God prepares for us.

**Congregation:** *We have come to find the way, the truth, and the life. We are here to ask and to receive and to serve.*

**Prayer of Invocation (In Unison):** Open your heavens to us, God of all worlds. We long for the pure spiritual milk you provide so we may grow into salvation. We are your people, sisters, and brothers of your Chosen One. Let us this day be built into a spiritual house, a community of your faithful people. Keep us from judging those whose views differ from our own, or from throwing stones at those with whom we disagree. Incline your ear to us and rescue us from ourselves, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn: #76 *“Jesus Is The Sweetest Name I Know”*

**Prayer of Confession (In Unison):** For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received; that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures.

*1 Corinthians 15:3-4*

**Assurance of Pardon**

Gospel Reading: John 14:1-14

Reader: James Leith

Message: **“The Truth The Life and the Way”**

Pastor Brosz

**Apostles Creed** (*Found in the Front Cover of the Hymnal*)

Communion Hymn: #460 *“Let Us Break Bread Together”*

**Service of Communion:** Words of institution, consecration and invitation to the table. We share in Christ's communion.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)** The bread has been broken, the cup has been poured, the meal has been shared. Gracious God, we give thanks for bread for the journey, for your wisdom guiding us along the way. May there be friends to share the road as we dare to dream of creation renewed, and hope in the promise of justice for all. Amen

**Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Offering (as you have given upon entering or as you leave)**

**Doxology #815**

**Offertory Prayer (In Unison):** We commit ourselves to you, gracious God, as we dedicate material gifts that represent our labor. When we remember Jesus as the cornerstone of the spiritual house you are seeking to build in our midst, we are eager to help. Let your face shine on us and on this offering that your mighty acts may be proclaimed to all the world. Amen.

**Response:** #816 *“We Give Thee But Thine Own”*

Hymn: #642 *“Abide With Me”*

**Benediction**

**Ringling of the Bell**