❖ **Gender Neutral Restrooms** can be found in the Hospitality Room in the hallway just after the coat racks.

❖ **Join Sunday Assembly!** Have you been worshipping with us frequently over the last few months? We hope that you’ve found a spiritual home with us and invite you to consider becoming a member of Sunday Assembly. It’s simple. Yellow membership forms can be found at the monastery entrance. Just fill it out and return in the collection basket next Sunday or send by mail. Or sign-up through our website.

❖ **Pastoral Care Services** are available to members of the Holy Wisdom Monastery communities. For more information or to receive care, contact Sandy Adams at 608-833-2058.

❖ **Today:**

- **Children’s Ministry** Children ages 6-9 are invited for some learning and prayer time during the Liturgy of the Word. Once dismissed, we will go downstairs to the room next to the library. If you need to get your child early, take the elevator down, go toward the library. We are in the room just to the right. The Hospitality Room will be available if little ones need space to stretch. Contact Sarah Wilkin Gibart (sjwilkin09@gmail.com) with questions or to offer your help.

- **Climate Action Event—Advocacy Fair** after worship, 10 organizations will be available for ways to provide systemic change to Climate Change + artistic movement will inspire us and household items displayed for climate actions.

- **Sunday Assembly Choir** will rehearse after worship.

❖ **Next Sunday, May 28, The Solemnity of Pentecost**

- **Statio Procession** To begin our liturgy, everyone will meet in the gathering space and then process into the Assembly Room two by two in the monastic practice of *Statio*. We will use all entrances to the Assembly room and process up several aisles at once. When each pair arrives at the end of the aisle facing the altar, they will bow to the altar then turn and bow to each other. We then proceed to our seats. We bow to the altar as a sign of honoring the Holy One. We bow to each other to honor the Spirit that dwells in each of us.

- **Sunday Assembly Choir** will rehearse at 8:25 am and sing for worship.

- **Childcare** will be available during worship.

- **Hospitality Sunday** All are encouraged to bring a food item to share. It is also a time for the Sunday Assembly community to greet and meet and get to know other members, especially our new members, guests and visitors! Please provide a small sign for your item if it is gluten-free, or contains nuts or alcohol.

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Please silence your cell phone before worship begins.
**Gathering Hymn**

*Resurrection Joy*

1. Spring is spreading through the prarie; grasses green-ing, flow-ers bloom.
2. Re-sur-rec-tion weaves its pat-tern in each an-i-mal and tree.
3. May we then in our own liv-ing emp-ty out our per-son-al tombs,

Birds are sing-ing; songs re-fresh-ing heal the soul of win-ter's gloom.
In the mead-ow, at the lake-side, re-birth for us all to see.
Leave be-hind the past, its bur-dens, born a-gain from Sa-cred Womb.

Col-or-s now ap-pear trans-form-ing earth in-to a gar-den place.
From the deep soil, from the dark-ness, from the fal-low time of year,
Eas-ter chang-es heart and spir-it; resur-rection now is real.

Ho-ly breeze of God's own Spir-it makes the knoll a Sa-cred Space.
From the death that brings new liv-ing, blos-som, bloom, and fruit ap-pear.
Cos-mic Christ dwells deep with-in us, form-ing us in com-mon-well!

**Sprinkling Rite**

*O Healing River*

All echo each phrase after the cantor:

1. O heal-ing riv-er, send down your wa-ters,
2. This land is parch-ing, this land is burn-ing,
3. Let the seed of free-dom, a-wake and flour-ish,

Send down your wa-ters up-on this land.
No seed is grow-ing in the bar-ren ground.
Let the deep roots nour-ish, let the tall stalks rise.

O heal-ing riv-er, send down your wa-ters,
O heal-ing riv-er, send down your wa-ters,
O heal-ing riv-er, send down your wa-ters,
And wash the blood from off the sand.

**Dismissal**

Go in the peace of Christ, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.
Thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

**Closing Hymn**

*A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*

1. A hymn of glo-ry let us sing, new
2. You are a pres-ent joy, O Christ, tri-
3. O ris-en Christ, as-cended now, to

Hymns through-out the world shall ring
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**Announcements**

❖ A special welcome to guests and visitors! Thank you for joining us. We welcome you and hope that you will find a spiritual home with us. We’d love to know that you were here. Please sign our guest book on the table near the entrance. For more information about Sunday Assembly, the monastery or the sisters’ community, please see [https://HolyWisdomMonastery.org](https://HolyWisdomMonastery.org) or contact Lynn Lemberger. A special visitors table near the dining room entrance, hosted by our friendliest members is available for our visitors and guests. Please join us after worship for coffee and conversation.
The Prayer of Jesus

Holy One, our only Home, blessed be your name.
May your day dawn, your will be done, here, as in heaven.
Feed us today, and forgive us as we forgive each other.
Do not forsake us at the test, but deliver us from evil.
For the glory, the power, and the mercy are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Come and eat this living bread, take and drink this wine.
Come be nourished, healed and fed, shaped into God's sign.
Gathered round as family, many are made one.
Forming love's community, one we now become.

Opening Prayer

Liturgical of the Word

First Reading

Acts 1:1-11
Following each reading:
Reader The Word of Salvation
All Thanks be to God
A time of silent reflection follows each reading as we practice the Benedictine value of listening.

Psalm 47


Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

Gospel Acclamation

Honduran Alleluia

Traditional Honduran melody

Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20
Before the Gospel,
Reader A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
All Glory to you, O Christ
Following the Gospel,
Reader The holy Gospel
All Praise to you, O Jesus Christ
Homily
**Profession of Faith**  
*Response:* This is our faith. This is our hope.

**General Intercessions**  
*Response:* Risen Savior, hear our prayer.

**Sign of Peace**

**Presentation of the Gifts**  
*A basket is available on the table to receive your donations. Thank you for your generosity. The gifts of bread, wine and our offering are brought to the altar.*

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**Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**Eucharistic Prayer III for Easter**  
*All join in proclaiming the Eucharist Prayer. The Assembly parts are in bold.*

**Presider:** May the Holy One be with you.  
**All:** And also with you.  
**Presider:** Lift up your hearts.  
**All:** We lift them up to our God.  
**Presider:** Let us give thanks to the God of all.  
**All:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

All praise and thanks be yours, O God of life,  
through Jesus Christ, whose victory has become an eternal dawn  
and has brought new life to all people.

**Bursting through the darkness of evil and despair,**  
you swept away the empty power of death  
and raised your beloved above the heights,  
making Jesus the eternal Christ of all.

**On this day every creature steps in joy,**  
**On this day every bruise gives way to blessing,**  
**On this day every angel and ancient joins our song,**  
**Hosanna for the victory of the cross!**

Therefore, O loving God, we give you praise,  
and we raise our song with all the hosts of heaven  
for the victory of Christ this day over death,  
and the bright promise of life that never ends:

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**When Jesus gave himself into your loving hands,**  
he breathed forth the Spirit on all the world.  
Breathe now that same Spirit on us and on our table, +  
making us into the Body of Christ.

**As we gather in the joy of the resurrection,**  
**we pray for the gift of your Spirit,**  
**Descend upon us with the fire of your anointing,**  
**that all the world might be renewed in everlasting life.**

On the night before Jesus met with death,  
he came to table with those he loved.  
He took bread and praised you, God of all creation.  
He broke the bread among his friends and said:  
“Take this, all of you and eat. This is my body given up for you.”

When supper was ended, he poured a final cup of wine  
and blessed you, God of all creation.  
He passed the cup among his friends and said:  
“Take this, all of you, and drink. This cup is a new covenant  
in my blood, shed for you and for people everywhere  
for the reconciliation of all. Do this in memory of me.”

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

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Gathered from every time and place, we bring to you the needs of all.  
Pour out your Spirit of life upon our world.  
Grant us the fullness of your lasting peace.

**We pray for people everywhere who yearn for life and peace.**
**We pray for those who lead us in government and in faith.**
**We pray for reverence and care for the earth and all its creatures.**
**We pray for those who search for meaning in their lives.**
**We pray for the sick and the dying.**
**We lift up to you all our beloved dead.**

**O Fire of Eternal Light, receive our table prayer of praise.**
Gathered in the brilliance of this feast,  
with unfettered joy we sing your victory!

**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ…… forever and ever.**

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