

Today's Ministers:

Presider	Sally Bowers
Homilist	Patti LaCross
Lectors	Mary Russell Joanna Kramer-Fanney
Greeters	Mary Kaye Radtke, Donna Miller Aggie Steichen
Communion	Julie Melton, Abbie Loomis, Margaret Sommers, Bruce Goodman, Charles Bradley
Bread Baker	Mike Crawford
Sacristan	Ann McBride
Cantor	Taryn Valley
Technology	Jim Penczykowski
Children Prayer	Sarah Wilkin-Gibart, Melissa Markquart, Rita Emmenegger,
Child Care	Nichole Rasmus, Susanna Bradley
Worship/Music	Bill Frederick

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026



Day of Rest and Reflection for Health Care Professionals

As a healthcare professional, you give generously of yourself to care for the bodies, minds and spirits of so many, and we are offering A Day of Rest and Reflection to generously return that care to you! Join us on June 3rd from 8:30 am-4:30 pm to walk the restored prairies of Holy Wisdom Monastery, engage in somatic and creative activities, find supportive community with other healthcare workers and receive nurture for your own body, mind and spirit. You will be welcomed with a continental breakfast and served a warm and nourishing lunch. Participants may choose to extend their stay by individually booking a dinner and/or overnight at the Retreat and Guest Center separate from the programmed event and at an additional cost. Contact retreats@holywisdommonastery.org if interested. This retreat is open to people who work in direct patient care such as nurses, doctors, CNAs, LPNs, radiologists, etc.



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Please join us for Coffee and Conversation following Sunday Assembly in the dining room!

Gathering Hymn

Day of Delight



Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed,
Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor,



tell the news, the gos - pel spread!
praise Christ ris - en from the dead!

Verses



1. Sing of the sun from dark - ness ap - pear - ing;
Sing of the stream from Je - sus' side flow - ing;
2. Sing now of mourn - ing turned in - to danc - ing;
Sing now of fast - ing turned in - to feast - ing;



sing of the seed from bar - ren earth green - ing;
sing of the saints in wa - ter made ho - ly;
sing now the mys - t'ry, hope of our glo - ry;
sing Of God's fa - vor last - ing for - ev - er;



sing of cre - a - tion, al - le - lu - ia!
sing of sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!
sing with thanks - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!
sing, all things liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Greeting, Introduction and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Blood Drive is Thursday May 28th We are still hoping for about 20 more people to sign up to donate blood here at Holy Wisdom Monastery on Thursday, May 28th.

There has consistently been a shortage of blood products and we are hoping that members of our community can help with our donations. If you are able to do so, please call 1-800-REDCROSS. Our donation code is HWM.

That's all there is to it! In addition to helping people in need, you will also receive a coupon for a pint of Culver's custard, and a promotional American Red Cross beach towel! There will also be other tasty treats and drinks as you relax after your donation. If you have any questions, please call Rita Emmenegger at 608-712-7761. With many thanks!

Holy Wisdom Monastery and this gathering are sustained by the generosity of members, friends, and visitors. We invite you to support the ongoing future of this community with a gift at the QR code. No amount is too small.



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"Day of Delight" by Delores Dufner, OSB, GIA Publications, Psalm 66 "Let All The Earth" by Marty Haugen, GIA Publications, "Halle, Halle, Halle" by Marty Haugen, GIA Publications, "Mass of Creation" by Marty Haugen, GIA Publications, "Be Known To Us Christ Jesus" by Ann Krentz, Augsburg Fortress Publications, "The Kindom of God" by Jaques Berthier, GIA Publications, "In Star And Crescent, Wheel And Flame" by Mary Louise Bringle, Scottish Folk Tune, GIA Publications.

Kids On the Prairie May 17 – Looking at Birds. Kids and their adults are invited to watch for birds and see how they spend their time. What are they eating? Look for bluebirds that nest at the Monastery and learn how we take care of them. Meet at 10:30 at the parking lot kiosk. Please register online. Space is limited.

Taize prayer at the Monastery, Friday May 22nd at 6:00 pm Prayer in the spirit of the Taizé community is a meditative form of common prayer for Pentecost. Gathered in the presence of Christ, we sing uncomplicated, repetitive songs, allowing the mystery of God to become tangible through the beauty of simplicity and invoking the Holy Spirit to enter our prayer. We will be remembering in a special way all the amazing Oblates of Holy Wisdom. These people have a very special place in our hearts. They work hard through action and prayer to keep the Mission, Vision and Values of the Monastery alive. They have been on retreat here May 8th to the 10th and they will be renewing their promise commitment. Please keep them in your prayers.

May 13 Centering Prayer Group – 2:30-3:30 pm, Oratory – Time for silent prayer/meditation with a group, includes two 20-minute periods of seated meditation with a 5-minute break. Questions? Contact Carole Kretschman, 608-577-3243

Summer support for Hispanic Families with summer food cards. Hispanic students lose access to school provided meals with families either eating less or going hungry. Here is the QR code to donate or a donation box at the reception desk. Thank you for your caring & kindness!



Liturgy of the Word

Reading

Acts 17:22-31

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 66

Let All The Earth

Let all the earth cry out in joy un to God!

Let all the earth cry out in joy un to

1.-3. To verses Last time

God God un to God

1. Cry out in joy unto God all peoples of Earth, sing to the praise of God's name, proclaiming forever, tremendous your deeds for us!
2. Leading your people safe through fire and water, bringing their souls to life! We sing of your glory, your love is eternal!
3. Hearken to me as I sing my love for our God, who answers the prayers of my heart! God leads me to safety, from death unto life!

Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Halle

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Gospel

John 14:15-21

Before the Gospel,

Reader A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

All Glory to you, O Christ

Following the Gospel,

Reader The holy Gospel

All Praise to you, O Jesus Christ

Homily

Sprinkling Rite

Response: "I Do"

Refrain
Riv - er of glo - ry, springs of our birth, flood of God's rich - es poured on the earth. We are born from the dark - ness and clothed in the light! We are bathed in the glo - ry of God! God, God, bathed in the glo - ry of God!

1-4 to Verses Final

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. Gold membership forms can be found at the monastery entrance. Just fill it out and return in the collection basket next Sunday, send by mail, or sign-up through our website. If you are a guest or visitor please sign our guestbook at the table near the entrance so we know you were here.

Pastoral Care Services are available to members of the Holy Wisdom Monastery communities. For more information or to receive care, contact Jane Ahlstrom at 608-222-5139 or janeahlstrom@sbcglobal.net.

Holy Wisdom Monastery is partnering with the LGBTQ Outreach center here in Madison, our ongoing effort by collecting non perishable foods and hygiene items continues! Please bring items like canned chicken, tuna and other proteins, canned chili, soups, peanut butter, shelf sustainable meals, pasta, rice, cereal and other grains, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioners, toilet paper, lotions, razors and shaving cream etc. Drop your items off in the box right here at Holy Wisdom each week. Thanks for your generosity!

The Third annual Spring Solar Tilt is Tuesday May 12, 2026 at 5:00 PM. Rain date is: May 13th. Join us as one of 90 volunteers who will tilt Holy Wisdom's solar panels! Check Weekly Wisdom and please register!

Have you seen our new art exhibit? Tierra Madre was installed on Wednesday and will be featured in the Gathering Space until July 7th. Artist Issis Macias is the daughter of Mexican immigrants who grew up in California and moved to the Madison area in 2016. In this exhibit, Issis honors her connection to the natural world and her Mexican heritage. The opening reception will be Friday, May 29 from 6 - 8pm. Light refreshments will be served, and Issis will share insights regarding work. Please register for this event on the monastery website.

The University of Wisconsin Russian Folk Orchestra is hosting their annual spring concert at Holy Wisdom Monastery today May 10 at 3:00 pm. Celebrate Mother's Day with great music! You can find out more or purchase tickets on the Holy Wisdom website!

Announcements

From Erin Trondson

Dear Sunday Assembly Community, I know we all participate in so many ways to make our assembly a vibrant and vital experience. From the greeters who hand us our programs all the way until the end of the day, when the hospitality volunteers wash each table with Chef Felipe's approved procedures. There are so many details, efforts, and love that go into meaningful liturgy and support the community that make up Sunday Assembly. All that being said, there is one community that often goes unseen, and that is our childcare community.

We are all invested in Holy Wisdom Sunday Assembly growing beyond our lifetimes and reaching far into the future - but if we aren't growing our Children and Family community, our Sunday Assembly community can't grow either. We need your help to increase our Sunday Assembly childcare volunteer pool.


If we are invested in this growth and future existence of Sunday Assembly, I ask that each of us please consider volunteering as a childcare or children's prayer volunteer, even once or twice a year at a minimum. Our next training will take place on May 24th, immediately after Sunday Assembly in the Board Room, and should only take around 30 minutes to complete. Once you have the training and complete a background check, you can sign up for your Sunday volunteer day with Ann (abaltes@chorus.net) or Kathy (kathywoytych@gmail.com).

Thank you for volunteering in this very important way! If the childcare training on May 24th doesn't work for you please reach out to Eri for an alternative time, etronson@holylwisdommonastery.org.

Name Tags: Please feel free to make a nametag! We want to know you! You can find materials in the gathering space.


Gender Neutral Restroom can be found in the Hospitality Room in the hallway just after the coat racks.

Verses



1. Foun-tain of mer-cy, grace flow-ing free, streams of sal -
2. Here there is ha-ven, heal-ing and health, joy for the
3. Bread for our jour-ney God will pro-vide. Hope for all
4. Dark-ness is ban-ished, night turned a-way. Christ is our

to Refrain



1. va-tion, spill-ing with love from a tree!
2. ask-ing, love in a-bun-dance of wealth!
3. a-ges, Je-sus, com-pan-ion and guide!
4. sun-light, lift-ing and lead-ing our way!

Intercessions

Risen Jesus, 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.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer for Easter

All join in proclaiming the Eucharist Prayer.

*Assembly in **BOLD***

Presider

All

Presider

All

Presider

All

May the Holy One be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to our God.

Let us give thanks to the God of all.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

God of the heavens, maker of earth,
may all creation praise you.

**Your love is revealed in the gift of Jesus,
risen and glorious.
Through him you bring healing to hearts
and minds, speaking the word
we need to hear,
giving us your Spirit to face the trials of life,
enabling us to love one another.**

So, as a community of believers,
and in the name of all creation,
we join our voices to praise you in song:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly One, God of love, God of light!
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
Blest is the one who comes in the name of our God. Ho-san-na
in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.

Blessed are you, O God, for death
could not hold Jesus.
You raised him from the tomb to be risen life
among us.

**May the Spirit of Jesus come upon us, +
and upon these gifts of bread and wine,
the work of our hands,
as we follow his command.**

Blessing and Easter Solemn Sending Forth

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.

Hymn of Praise In Star And Crescent, Wheel And Flame

1. In star and cres-cent, wheel and flame, in
2. In burn-ing in-cense, tith-ing gifts, in
3. With var-ied hopes and dreams and creeds, all
rug-ged cross and emp-ty tomb, we i-mage
break-ing bread and pour-ing wine, each act of
tiles in one mo-sa-ic whole, we serve our
forth one match-less name, one ho-ly ma-trix,
ar-dent wor-ship lifts our hu-man hearts to
God in faith-ful deeds on path-ways to one
fount, and womb. Though dif-f'rent cul-tures, tribes, and
Love Di-vine. In Bud-dhist chant and Mus-lim
com-mon goal. No Jew nor Gen-tile, slave nor
lands use lens-es ground to dif-f'ring
prayer, in sho-far, drum, and sa-cred
free, no male and fe-male set a-
sight, each col-or of the pri-sm's
song, the mu-sic thank-ful spir-its
part, but all are one, as fam-i-
bands re-fracts from one all-daz-zling light.
share give praise in voic-es mil-lions strong.
ly held close with-in our Mak-er's heart.

Communion

The Kindom Of God

The Kin - dom of God is jus - tice and peace and

joy in the Ho - ly Spir - it. Come, now and

o - pen in us the gates of your Kin - dom.

Prayer After Communion

Blessing for David and Alison McKee

**For at his last meal with the disciples,
he blessed you, O God, for your faithfulness,
broke the bread of fellowship, and said:**

"Take this, all of you, and eat it:
this is my body given for you."

**After the meal, he took the cup of blessing,
thanked you again, and gave it to them,
saying:**

"Take this, all of you, and drink, this is the cup
of my blood of a new and everlasting covenant.
Shed for you and for all so that sin may be forgiven.
Do this in memory of me."

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ A-live in our midst! Al le lu - ia!

God of life, we gather to celebrate Jesus
who died and rose from the dead.

**May the Spirit he promised us
be strong in our lives
to show compassion to the sick,
the poor, and all who are in need,
especially among our families and friends.
Grant us to be of one mind and heart
walking in love with all people of good will.**

And may all of us one day, stand before you,
 joined with our departed loved ones,
 and united with all the saints,
 in the glory of the risen Christ.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all glory and honor is yours, O loving God,
 for ever and ever.

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A - men, a - men, a - - - men!

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

Be known to us, Christ Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.
 A - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Be known to us, Christ Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Presider The bread which we break,
 is it not communion in the body of Christ?
 The cup of blessing which we share,
 is it not communion in the blood of Christ?

**All So all of us are one body,
 all who share the one bread and drink
 from the one cup.**

Reception of Communion

*Our Communion bread is gluten-free. All are welcome to receive Communion. Come to any one of the four locations in the room. Two stations are behind the Table, one at the side exit, and one near the organ. The **Cup of Wine, in the glass cup** will be distributed behind the Table, as will the **grape juice in the pewter cup.***