



Weekly Scripture Readings & Sermon Summaries

May 2026

You Are Chosen!

May 3, 2026 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Rev. William Mueller

We live in a world where everyone wants to be special; everyone wants to receive a trophy. As the redeemed people of God in Jesus Christ, we are so much more than special. We receive so much more than a trophy! We are chosen and “mercied,” and Christ has given us a glorious mission!

Sermon Text: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Readings: Psalm 146; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

Featured Choirs: St. Paul Lutheran School, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: Emmaus Lutheran Church, Wauseon, Ohio

Keep on Keeping

May 10, 2026 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Scott Zeckzer

Keepsakes – we all have them – those special things that remind us of special people, places, or events in our lives. God has given you keepsakes to remind you of what He’s done for you. He also has sent the Holy Spirit to help us to “Keep on Keeping.”

Sermon Text: John 14:21

Readings: Psalm 119:89-93, 105; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

Featured Choirs: St. Paul Lutheran School, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Holy Cross Lutheran School, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: Redeemer Lutheran Church, Convoy, Ohio

Lifted to a Higher Reality

May 17, 2026 – Ascension of Our Lord (observed)

Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

Why celebrate Christ’s ascension? He visibly left this earth, and we cannot see Him! There are wonderful reasons to celebrate this event. Christ’s ascension lifts us to a higher reality.

Sermon Text: Luke 24:44-53

Readings: Psalm 47; Acts 1:1-11; Luke 24:44-53

Featured Choir: St. Paul Lutheran Church, Decatur, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: St. James Lutheran Church, Archbold, Ohio

Living Water

May 24, 2026 – Pentecost

Guest Pastor – Rev. Thomas Eggold

People who think they are healthy don't go to the doctor, and those who are satisfied in themselves can't accept a Savior. But to those whose sin has left them desolate — to the one whose life is dry and whose spirit is wilting; to the one who is cracked and broken by their sin; to the one who finds no fulfillment in this world; to the one who rightly despises his own skill and wisdom and sees the futility of his own efforts at salvation; to the one who hungers and thirsts for righteousness — these words mean everything!

Sermon Text: John 7:38

Readings: Psalm 25; Acts 2:1-21; John 7:37-39

Featured Choirs: Indiana District LWML Choir

Featured Art and Architecture: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Let God Be God!

May 31, 2026 – The Holy Trinity

Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

Christians across the world gather today to worship the Triune God. In Jesus Christ, we encounter the true God — One who challenges our expectations, yet gracefully comes to us with purpose and promise. The invitation given to us is simple and profound: Let God Be God!

Sermon Text: Matthew 28:19

Readings: Psalm 8; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; Matthew 28:16-20

Featured Choir: Holy Cross Lutheran School, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, Ind.