

**The Lord's Prayer:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**Welcome to our special service "Blessing of the Children".**

**This Week's Activities Monday:** English Conversation Class at 1 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Pastor Carl's Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. **Wednesday:** CCN Joy Luck Club (Mahjong) at 3 p.m. **Thursday:** Paper Rollers at 9 a.m.

**Announcements**

**Next Sunday, May 10 is a Mother's Day**—Pastor Adachi will prepare the special Lunch to celebrate Mother's Day after the service.

**May 17, Children's Concert**—Any children who wish to perform, please sign up with Satoko Adachi. Concert starts at 2 p.m.

**LCR Japanese Ministry May Schedule**

2	LCR Youth Group Yard Sale	7:00 a.m.	LCR
3	Blessing of the Children Service	11:30 a.m.	LCR
3,10,17,24,31	Bible Study and Prayer	10:00 a.m.	T-Hall
	Choir Practice	10:45 a.m.	T-Hall
4,19	English Conversation Class	1:00 p.m.	Library
7,14,21,28	Paper Rollers	9:00 a.m.	Bercaw Hal
6,13,20,27	CCN Joy Luck Club	3:00 p.m.	T-Hall
10	Japanese Ministry Mother's Day Lunch		T-Hall
11	Corona Bible Study	10:30 a.m.	Imai's
12,26	Pastor Carl's Bible Study	10:30 a.m.	T-Hall
17	Children's Concert	2:00 p.m.	LCR
21	CCN "Five Wishes"	11:30 a.m.	Bercaw Hall
23	Tustin Bible Study	1:30 p.m.	Ptr. Adachi
24	Potluck Luncheon & May B-days Celebration		T-Hall
28~30	Pacifica Synod Assembly		Riverside

**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION**

Worship Services: Traditional Worship 8:30 a.m.  
Praise Service 10:00 a.m.  
Japanese Worship 11:30 a.m.

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**Japanese Ministry**

**May 3, 2015**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Special Service  
"Blessing of the Children"**

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**The Theme Bible Verse of 2015:**

**"Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with thanksgiving."**

Colossians 4:2

**Sharing Christ—Shaping Lives**

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Prelude (*seated*)

Greeting and Announcements

Opening Hymn *ELW# 595: "Jesus Loves Me" (stand)*  
*Japanese Hymn (21)#484*

### Children's Blessing Service

*We invite every children to come forward and receive God's blessing.*

Blessing: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who calls us beloved children, who gathers us into one flock, who guides us into all truth.

**Amen.**

Invocation: Let us confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Confession: Faithful and just God,  
**we confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.**

**Amen.**

Absolution: In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent the Son to atone for our sins. In the name of † Jesus Christ, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven. Let the perfect love of God cast out fear, fill you with joy, and inspire you to live for others.

**Amen.**

Kyrie: *ELW #155*

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Prayer of The Day:

First Lesson: *Acts 8:26-40*

Second Lesson: *1 John 4:7-21*

Gospel Acclamation (*stand*)

Gospel: *John 15:1-8*

Hymn *Not in ELW "In the Bulb There is a Flower" (see insert)*  
*Japanese Hymn (21)#575*

Message: "*Why Does It Grow?*" by Rev. Hitoshi Adachi

The Apostles' Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering and Prayer

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer: (*Recite during Communion - see bulletin page 4*)

Benediction and Threefold Amen

Hymn *ELW#718: "In a Lowly Manger Born"*  
*Japanese Hymn (21)#280*

