Welcome



8:00 AM Service

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Welcome To Worship, we are glad you are here and happy to welcome you in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! Please fill out the connect card in the pew and place it in the offering plate ~ we would like to know you worshipped with us. Children's activity bags are available from the tree stand in the narthex. The nursery is available for parents to use, and it does have a changing table and rocker.

If you would like to explore a deepening faith relationship with Jesus Christ within the fellowship of our assembly, please speak with the Pastor.

Please check in with your favorite social media apps as you silence cell phones and electronic devices in preparation for worship.

Mission Statement

Reaching up, reaching out, and reaching in with faith and love.

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

PRELUDE

Great is the Lord

arr. Teresa Wilhelmi

WELCOME

EASTER GREETING

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C. He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

The assembly stands.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Gathering

GATHERING HYMN

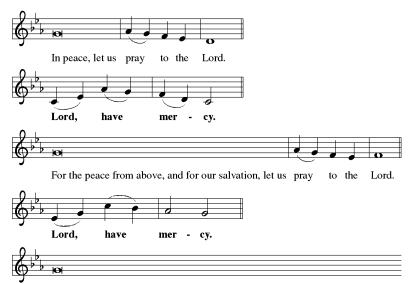
This Joyful Eastertide

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

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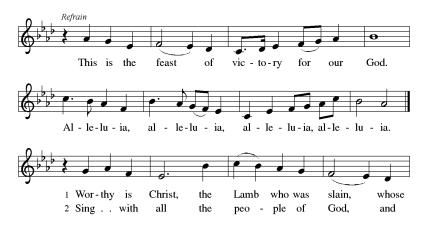
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



HYMN OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

Sharing of the Word

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

May this Word of the Lord help you know Jesus and make Jesus known.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM – read responsively

Psalm 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

²"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; the LORD will hear me when I call.

⁴Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?" Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.

⁷You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine abound.

⁸In peace, I will lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.

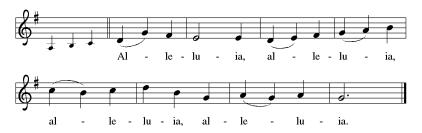
SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7

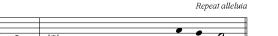
May this Word of the Lord help you know Jesus and make Jesus known.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands.

GOSPEL ACCALAMTION





Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

May this Gospel of the Lord help you know Jesus and make Jesus known.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

MESSAGE FOR THE DAY

Pastor Kevin

The assembly stands.

NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith with the Nicene creed.

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God.

begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words.

Risen Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Response at the conclusion of the prayers of intercession: Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

Sharing of the Meal

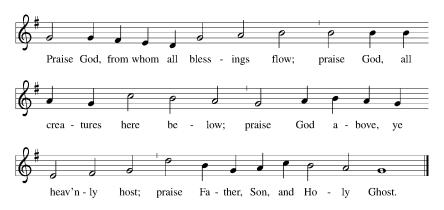
GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS - at this time, please take a moment, if you feel called and are able, to make a financial contribution to the ministry of Zion via our website, (www.zionyork.org, and use the green "give online button on the right) or by text- (833)996-1219. Be sure to include the \$ sign with your amount.

OFFERTORY MUSIC Praise and Thanks and Adoration arr. John Leavitt

The assembly stands.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt. Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit.

May the gifts that we offer here

be signs of your abiding love.

Form us to be your witnesses in the world,

through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

Amen.

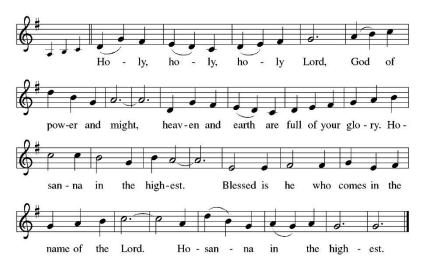
GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection.

with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting

and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup

we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us

and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth,

burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

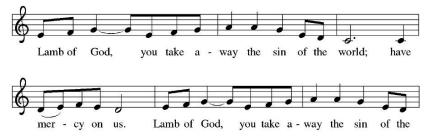
With <u>name/s and</u> your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

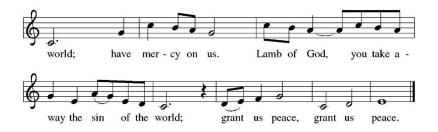
Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

The assembly is seated.

LAMB OF GOD





INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome to the table by Christ's invitation. Should you prefer a gluten free wafer, please indicate this to the pastor.

COMMUNION MUSIC Once Led to Your Font

arr. Mark Sedio

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.
- C Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

Sending Out

ZEST FOR ZION

BLESSING

The assembly stands.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope

+ bless you now and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

He Came Down

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Fanfare on "Nicaea"

arr. Nancy Hill Cobb

New Members - This weekend we are pleased to receive the following new members into our congregation:

- James and Maureen Forry
- Walt and Lisa Marriott
- Andy Parr and daughter Adelaide
- Richard Zendarski

We welcome them and pray God's blessing upon their ministry here in our midst.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Diane and Don Meluzio in memory of Diane's sister Nancy Mozol.

The Flower Basket is given to the Glory of God by Dolly Hoover in memory of her sister Pat Ziegler.

Thank you for being the hands and feet of the church especially to those serving this weekend ...

Usher is Mike Mummert.

Assisting Minister is Dave Portner.

Offering Counters for this weekend are Regina Peckmann and Andrew Doerr.