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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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

PRELUDE

Nearer, My God to Thee

Richard Elliot, arr. Lowell Mason

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 *O Blessed Spring* ELW 447
 (sung to tune: Canonbury, ELW 676)

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.

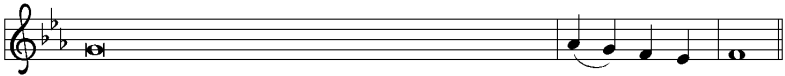
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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



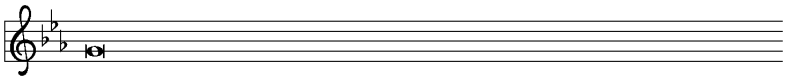
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



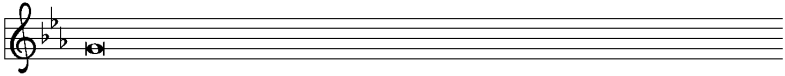
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



A - men, a - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
 Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

Refrain
 hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

Refrain
 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through 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.

Sharing of the Word

FIRST READING: Acts 8:26-40

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

known.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM – read responsively

Psalms 22:25-31

- ²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.
- ²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts
live forever!**
- ²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.
- ²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD,
who rules over the nations.**
- ²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel
before the LORD.
- ³⁰**Their descendants shall serve the LORD,
whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.**
- ³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:7-21

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

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



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

GOSPEL: John 15:1-8

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 15th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Praise to you, O Christ.

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.



OFFERTORY MUSIC *Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen*

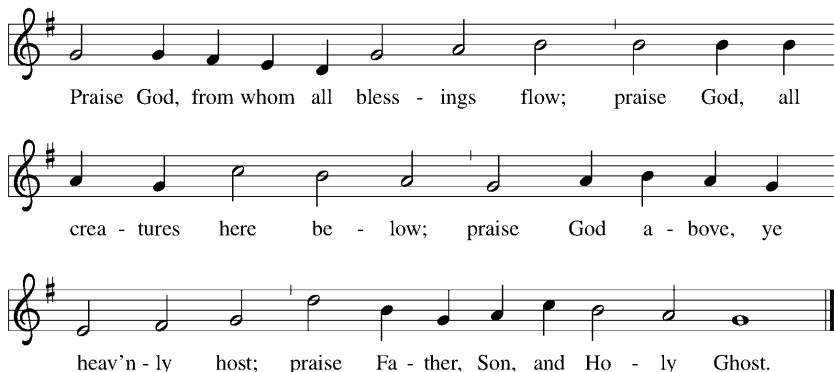
Brokering & Johnson

Performed by Blaze Fogle

The assembly stands.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 name/s and 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



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
 way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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 *Lord Jesus, Break the Bread*
 arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

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

Abide with Me

ELW 629

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Fanfare Postlude

Douglas E. Wagner

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Terry and Amy Strayer in loving memory of Marsha G. Strayer by her family, for what would have been her 81st birthday on April 27th. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend.

The basket of flowers is given by Juliann Roderick to the glory of God and in honor of her husband Clint's 82nd birthday and great-grandson Jackson Bingham's 11th birthday, both celebrated on April 27th.

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

Ushers are Daun Metzler and Kathy Glass.

Assisting Minister is Juliann Roderick.

Offering Counters for this weekend are Lori Heathcote and Kathy Glass.