

The Second Sunday of Easter

Worship Service



Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

10:15AM, Sanctuary

April 12, 2026

Visitors & Saints of Emmanuel:

Welcome! You'll find announcements, contact information, and more on the back of this bulletin. If you'd like to speak with Pastor Justin and/or request prayer, fill out a Contact Card and place it in the offering.

The liturgy (our worship service) comes from Scripture. The whole service is ordered and designed to use God's Word to bring praise and thanks and glory to God. The earliest Christian churches gathered to pray, to hear teaching, and to partake in the bread and the wine of Holy Communion.

All who are baptized in the name of the Triune God, believe in the real presence of Jesus in the bread and the wine of Holy Communion, and are repentant of their sins are welcome at the Lord's Table.

A Message on this Second Sunday of Easter

John, like Thomas, saw the holes in the hands of Jesus and his side. There is something permanent—eternal, even—about these holes. There is something enduring about the crucifixion of Jesus:

*...from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain.
(Revelation 13:8 , ESV)*

Jesus will always be the one who was crucified. Although the ESV (and many other translations) has, “was slain,” the true grammar of this and the resurrection passages has it thus: “is slain.”

The cross is the most singular event in all of human history. And John has written to tell you and me about this crucified and risen Jesus, for the purpose of faith for you and for me:

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Holy God, keep us in the faith of the crucified & risen Lord, in His name, Amen.

✝ Pastor Justin Baker

Prelude

I Know that My Redeemer Lives
In the Cross of Christ I Glory

WOODWIND QUARTET

Arranged John C. Hatton (1710-1793)
Arranged Ithamar Conkey (1815-1867)

The service begins from the baptismal font.

Invocation

P In the Name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

Easter Greeting

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P Let us make our confession to God.

Silence follows for confession. The pastor then pronounces the absolution.

C Amen.

The Resurrection Promise of Baptism¹

P What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?

C Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

P We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,

C we too might walk in newness of life.

P Then let us walk in this newness of life, knowing we have been redeemed from sin and from death.

C Amen

¹ From Romans 6:1-4, ESV.

Processional Hymn | Now All the Vault of Heaven

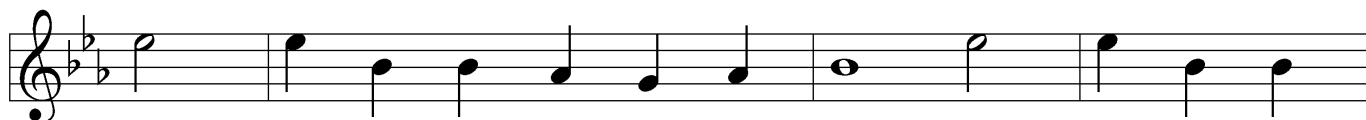
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1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds in praise of love that
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings, there - fore our heart with
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; set heart and will on
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring and with the heav'n - ly



still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 things a - bove that we con - quer through your tri - umph;
 bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!"



Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song
 Now still he comes to give us life and by his pres -
 grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's day that by our lives
 Be to the Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest,



of glo - ry here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
 ence stills all strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
 we tru - ly say: Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
 most ho - ly God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876–1947, alt.

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

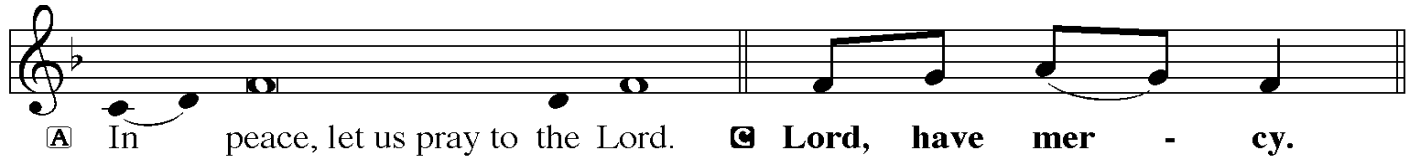
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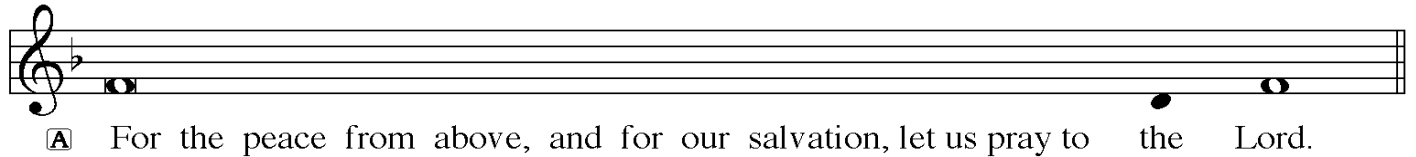
Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie

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

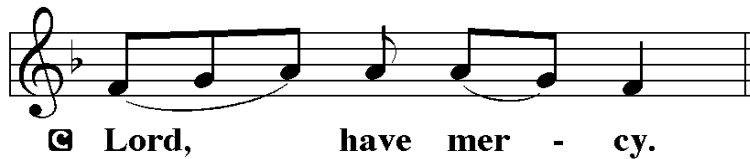
C And also with you.



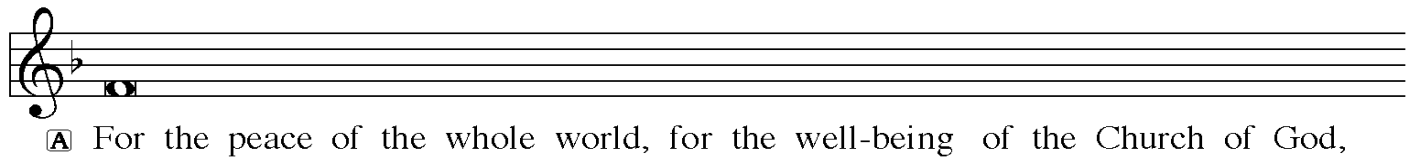
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



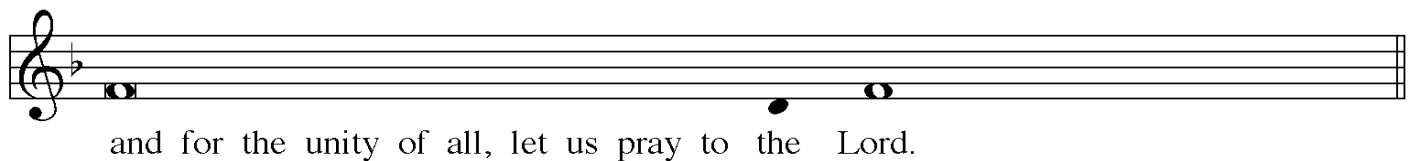
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



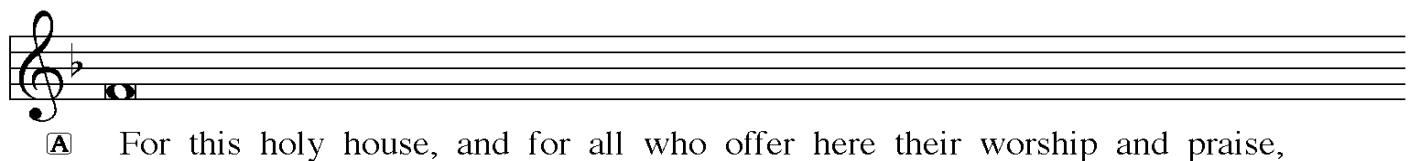
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



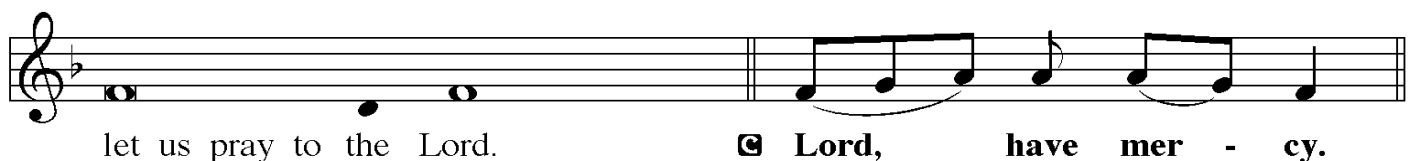
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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

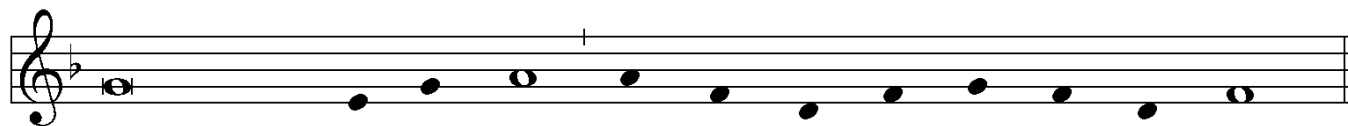


let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

Hymn of Praise



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

Salutation

- Ⓟ Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- Ⓞ He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

- Ⓟ Let us pray,
- Ⓞ Almighty Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and

say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” ¹⁰ So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹ Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.’ ¹² Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 33 (read responsively)

¹ Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

Praise befits the upright.

² **Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre;**

make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

³ Sing to him a new song;

play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

⁴ **For the word of the LORD is upright,**

and all his work is done in faithfulness.

⁵ He loves righteousness and justice;

the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

⁶ **By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,**

and by the breath of his mouth all their host.

⁷ He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap;

he puts the deeps in storehouses.

- ⁸ Let all the earth fear the LORD;
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!**
- ⁹ For he spoke, and it came to be;
he commanded, and it stood firm.
- ¹⁰ The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;
he frustrates the plans of the peoples.**
- ¹¹ The counsel of the LORD stands forever,
the plans of his heart to all generations.
- ¹² Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!**
- ¹³ The LORD looks down from heaven;
he sees all the children of man;
- ¹⁴ from where he sits enthroned he looks out
on all the inhabitants of the earth,**
- ¹⁵ he who fashions the hearts of them all
and observes all their deeds.
- ¹⁶ The king is not saved by his great army;
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.**
- ¹⁷ The war horse is a false hope for salvation,
and by its great might it cannot rescue.
- ¹⁸ Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,**
- ¹⁹ that he may deliver their soul from death
and keep them alive in famine.
- ²⁰ Our soul waits for the LORD;
he is our help and our shield.**
- ²¹ For our heart is glad in him,
because we trust in his holy name.
- ²² Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.**

The Second Lesson

1 John 5:4-10

⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there are three that testify: ⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. ⁹If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

P Paul, in his Epistle to the Ephesians, teaches the following:

¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:1-2)

All little ones – and any others – are invited forward for a message and for prayer.

The Gospel Acclamation | Sing We Now of Jesus



Christmas: Sing we now of Je - sus, born on Christ-mas day.
Easter: Sing we now of Je - sus, ris'n on Eas - ter day.



Sing we now of Je - sus, born on bed of hay.
Sing we now of Je - sus, ris'n from death's dark grave.



Lift up your voice, with all the world re - joice;
Lift up your voice, with all the world re - joice;



sing we now of Je - sus, born to light our way.
sing we now of Je - sus, ris'n the world to save.

**May be sung as a round.*

Text: Michael Burkhardt
Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol
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The Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 16th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If

you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.”

²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” ²⁸ Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Pastor Justin Baker

A large print copy of this sermon is available from the ushers.

Hymn of the Day | Hallelujah Jesus Lives!

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1 Hal-le - lu - jah! Je - sus lives! He is now the Liv - ing One;
 2 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and mourn-ful sigh?
 3 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, life e - ter - nal waits for you;
 4 Je - sus lives! Let all re - joice. Praise him, ran-somed of the earth.
 5 Hal-le - lu - jah! An - gels, sing! Join with us in hymns of praise.



from the gloom-y halls of death Christ, the con - quer - or, has gone,
 He who died our broth - er here lives our broth - er still on high,
 joined to him, your liv - ing head, where he is, you shall be too;
 Praise him in a no - bler song, cher - u - bim of heav'n-ly birth.
 Let your cho - rus swell the strain which our fee - bler voic - es raise:



bright fore - run - ner to the skies of his peo - ple, yet to rise.
 lives for - ev - er to be - stow bless-ings on his church be - low.
 with the Lord, at his right hand, as a vic - tor you shall stand.
 Praise the vic - tor king, whose sway sin and death and hell o - bey.
 glo - ry to our God a - bove and on earth his peace and love!

Text: Carl B. Garve, 1763–1841; tr. Jane Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.
 Music: FRED TIL BOD, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

The Nicene Creed

P People of God, in whom do you believe?

C 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;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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

The Prayers

- P** As we await the coming of Jesus in majesty, let us pray for the Church, the world, and for all people by name and according to their need.

“Let all the earth fear the Lord.”

A brief silence is kept.

- A** O Holy God, we come to ask you for help, and we give you thanks for all the help you have given us:

A sufficient pause is kept that thanksgiving for answered prayers may be offered.

Lord, in your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- A** Bless those who guide this Church body with faith, wisdom, endurance, and direction, especially: *Bishop Dan Selbo, General Secretary Amy Little, Area Assistant Carol Fryer, Seminary President Jukka Kääriäinen, Mission Region Dean Jim Neal, Mission District Dean Chip Frontz, and Pastor Justin Baker.* Pour out your favor upon this congregation and fellow area congregations. Make us true servants of your Son and his Gospel.

Lord, in your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- A** Bless Olive, Finley, Sylvia, Dorothy, Harriet, and Crosby with faith in Jesus that endures unto everlasting life. Strengthen all those were baptized into this congregation. Stir up in those who have left the faith an urge to return to You. Lord, in your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- A** Bless Faith Palmer and Kaleb Wee with an enduring faith, a courageous heart, and a mind of wisdom. May you ever and always guide them in all things. Remember also all those who have been baptized and confirmed in this congregation. Lord, in your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

A We pray for our earthly rulers, especially President Donald Trump and Governor Josh Shapiro: Conform their minds, hearts, and actions to your holy will. Where there is discord and strife, bring peace. Lord, in your mercy,

G **hear our prayer.**

A Bless those missionaries whom we have come to know together with their families: the Rev. Dan Omar, the Rev. Thomas Thorstad, Dure Negassa, and the Rev. Dagaga Gemachu. Lord, in your mercy,

G **hear our prayer.**

A Bless, watch over, and comfort those who are troubled body, mind, heart, or soul. We lift before You especially:

Diana Hillman, Susanne Carns, May Hill, Jim Troxell, David Weihe, Vince Berardinelli, Gayle Wertz, June Ugen, Kelly, Josh, Kim, Missy, Maria, Ben, Terry, Sandy, Cassandra and baby Amelia, Nojia, Kevin, Jim, Julie and family, Trudy, Brylee, Sandra, Zachary, Kevin, David, Kathy, Asa, Jerry, Jack, Al & family, Beth, Colleen, Rachael, Leila, Darin, Les & Cathy, Tony, Sarah, and Harry

We also lift up the names of those for whom we now pray, silently or aloud. *A pause is kept that other names and supplications may be offered.*

Pour out your Spirit upon them, that they may be granted the faith to endure. Lord, in your mercy,

G **hear our prayer.**

A Most Blessed and Holy God, we implore you to remember *the family of Deb* and *the family of Bill*. Fill all families who mourn with the strength to grieve, the comfort of your presence, and faith unto life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,

G **hear our prayer.**

P Fill this congregation with the faith that endures unto life eternal. Make us one people united in prayer. Send families, children, widows &

widowers, the elderly, and any others into our midst, that they may also be filled with faith, encourage this congregation, and bring honor and glory and praise to your name. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

Note: Anyone who desires prayers or the laying on of hands or the anointing of oil for the sick should let Pastor Justin know.

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

P *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Rid yourselves of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. (1 Peter 2:1–3)*

The Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offertory

*Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia
Lift High the Cross*

WOODWIND QUARTET

Rev. Bernard Kyamanywa, 1966

Arranged Sydney Nicholson (1875-1947)

Offering of Praise | The Doxology

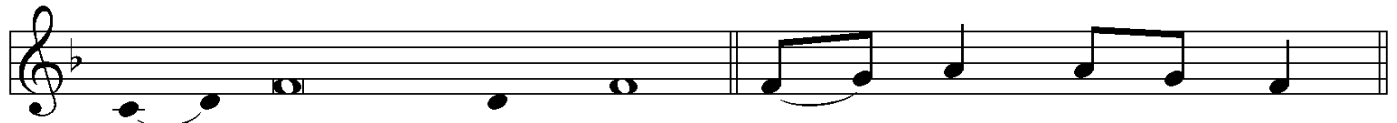
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The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (one sharp). The melody is simple and homophonic, consisting of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." The score ends with a double bar line.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

- A** Let us pray. Blessed are you,
- C** **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to You, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

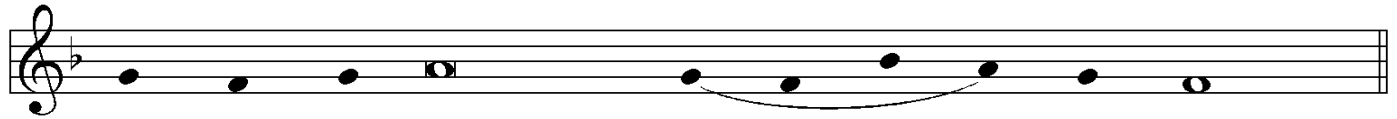
The Great Thanksgiving



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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 him thanks and praise.

Preface for Easter

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everliving God.

But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his 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:

The Sanctus



☩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer I

☩ Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:

Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

☩ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

☩ Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

☩ Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

☩ Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

☩ Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

☩ Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

☩ Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

☩ Let us 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.

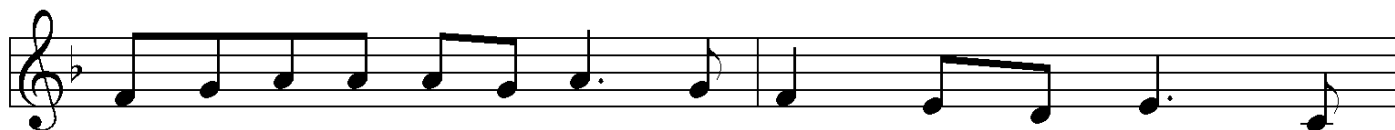
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread

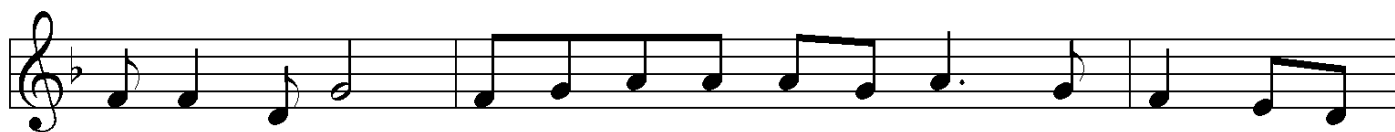
P Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

C Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

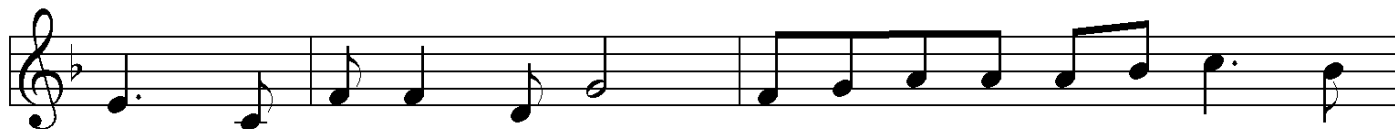
Agnus Dei



C 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.

Our Practice of Holy Communion

St. Paul writes: *“Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup.”* (1 Corinthians 11:27–28, ESV)

Not one of us is worthy *on our own merit* to receive our Lord Jesus. Nevertheless, he bids us to come to him all the same (Matthew 11:28-30). And so, trusting his great mercy, anyone may come to him in faith, having examined oneself according to this confession:

All who are baptized in the name of the Triune God, believe in the real presence of Jesus in the bread and the wine of Holy Communion, and are repentant of their sins are welcome at the Lord’s Table.

All others may come forward for a blessing, signaling this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Hymn | Jesus, Still Lead On

LBW 341



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al - though the
2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less
3 When we seek re - lief from a long - felt grief, when temp - ta - tions
4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n - ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;
fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;
come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;
still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to our Fa - ther's land.
safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.
show us that bright shore where we weep no more.
till we safe - ly stand in our Fa - ther's land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.
Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701

Hymn | Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won!

LBW 133



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long-er can ap - pall me;
2 Je - sus lives! To him the throne there a - bove all things is giv - en.
3 Je - sus lives! For me he died, hence will I, to Je - sus liv - ing,
4 Je - sus lives! And I am sure, nei - ther life nor death shall sev - er
5 Je - sus lives! And now is death but the gate of life im - mor - tal;



Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave will Christ re - call me.
I shall go where he is gone, live and reign with him in heav - en.
pure in heart and act a - bide, praise to him and glo - ry giv - ing.
me from him. I shall en - dure in his love, through death, for - ev - er.
this shall calm my trem - bling breath when I pass its gloom - y por - tal.



Bright-er scenes will then com-mence; this shall be my con - fi - dence.
God is faith - ful; doubt-ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.
All I need God will dis - pense; this shall be my con - fi - dence.
God will be my sure de - fense; this shall be my con - fi - dence.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!

Text: Christian F. Gellert, 1715–1769; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–1897, alt.
Music: JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

P As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (*1 Corinthians 11:26*)

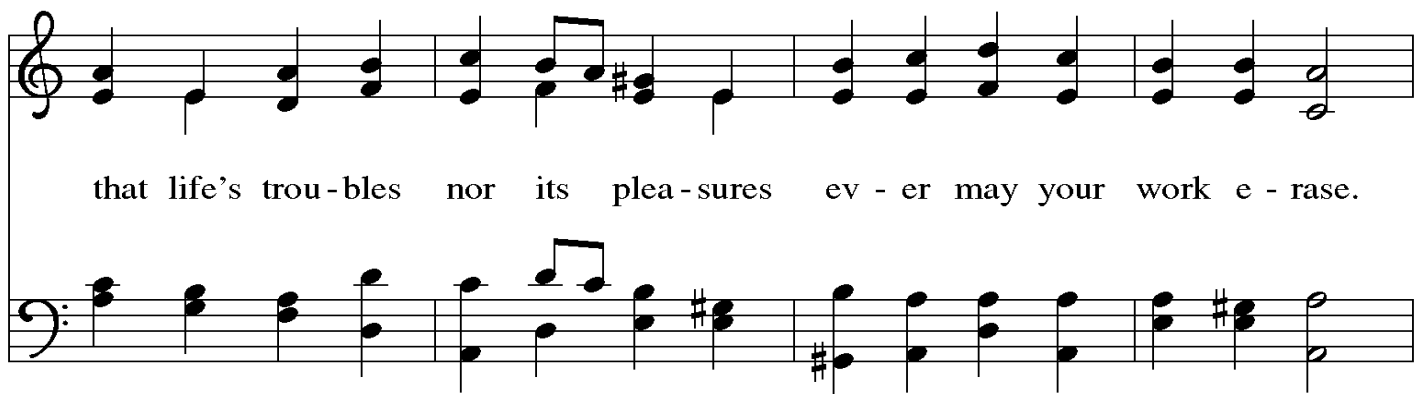
G Amen

Post-Communion | On My Heart Imprint Your Image

ELW 811



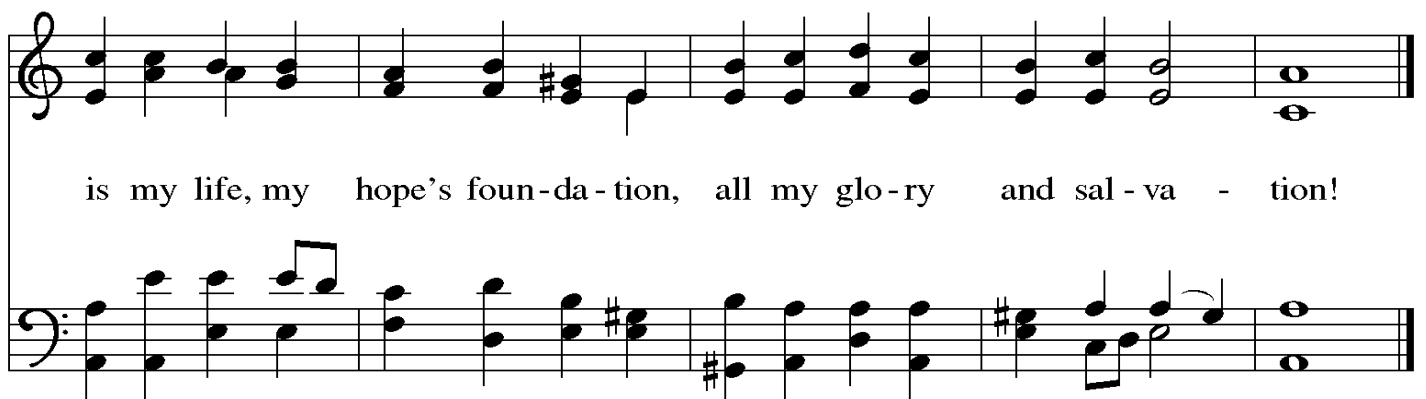
On my heart im - print your im - age, bless - ed Je - sus, king of grace,



that life's trou - bles nor its plea - sures ev - er may your work e - rase.



Let the clear in - scrip - tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, all my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

Post-Communion Prayer and Benediction

A Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

Recessional Hymn | Abide, O Dearest Jesus

ELW 539

1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, a - mong us with your grace,
 2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, a - mong us with your word
 3 A - bide with heav'n-ly bright - ness a - mong us, pre - cious Light;
 4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings a - mong us, boun-teous Lord;
 5 A - bide, O faith - ful Sav - ior, a - mong us with your love;

that e - vil may not harm us nor we to sin give place.
 and thus now and here - af - ter true peace and joy af - ford.
 your truth di - rect and keep us from er - ror's gloom - y night.
 let us in grace and wis - dom grow dai - ly through your word.
 grant stead-fast-ness and help us to reach our home a - bove.

Text: Josua Stegmann, 1588–1632; tr. August Crull, 1846–1923
 Music: CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN, Melchior Vulpius, 1570–1615

Dismissal

- A** Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;
be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted; honor all people;
love and serve God; rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen. Let us go forth in this way.

Postlude

The Strife is Over

WOODWIND QUARTET
Arranged David Lasky, 1957



Thank you to the Emmanuel Woodwinds for the special music today!

Ilana Aronovich: Violin

Elsa Bandli: Flute

Ethan Grindle: Clarinet

Homer Adams: Oboe

Easter Flower Dedications

Ron & Susan Smith

In Memory of Ethel, Weinel, & Judy Jones, in memory of William & Emily Smith

Vince & Donna Berardinelli

In Memory of Irv & Gladys Rittko, Marcia Endress, Ted Rittko, and Sam & Gen Berardinelli

Danelle Jaszcar

In Memory of Christopher Molnar

Stan & Linda Casper

In memory of friends who we have lost this past year

Lou & Michele Hiener

To the Glory of God

Scott & Carol Wilson

In Memory of Dean & Doris Wilson and Melvyn & Lois Wingard

Faith Palmer

In memory of my Pap-Pap, Irv Rittko

The Pelusi Family

To the Glory of God

The Visnic- Ford Family

In memory of our parents, Dan & JoAnne Visnic and Elaine Ford, and our grandparents

Ed and Dorothy Datasch

In celebration of our children

Arlene Woodward

In memory of my husband Lee and my son Brian

Kim Treloar

In memory of Lee Woodward

Susanne Carns

In memory of Dennise Cherok

Cherie and Dan Wolovich

*Cornie and Julie Lowe, Stanley and Anna
Wolovich*

The Baker Family

To the Glory of God

This Week at Emmanuel

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Sunday, Apr 12	9:00 AM	Sunday School	Luther Hall
	10:15 AM	Worship: The Second Sunday of Easter	Sanctuary
Monday Apr 13	1:00 PM	Daniel Bible Study	Luther Hall
	2:00 PM	Quilting	Heritage Hall
	6:00 PM	Start the Week	Luther Hall
	6:30 PM	Daniel Bible Study	Music Room
Tuesday, Apr 14	9:00 AM	Bell Choir	Sanctuary
	10:00 AM	Bell Choir Subset	Sanctuary
	10:00 AM	Discipleship Meeting	Music Room
	5:30 PM	Champion Cheerleading	Heritage Hall
	7:00 PM	Worship Meeting	Music Room
Wednesday, Apr 15	2:30 PM	Stewardship Meeting	Music Room
	6:00 PM	Steps and Stories	Luther Hall
Thursday, Apr 16	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	Luther Hall
	7:30 PM	Al-Anon	Heritage Hall
Friday, Apr 17	11:15 AM	Worship at Brookdale	Brookdale
	6:00 PM	Girl Scouts	Luther Hall
Saturday, Apr 18			
Sunday, Apr 19	9:00 AM	Sunday School	Luther Hall
	10:15 AM	Worship: The Third Sunday of Easter	Sanctuary

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