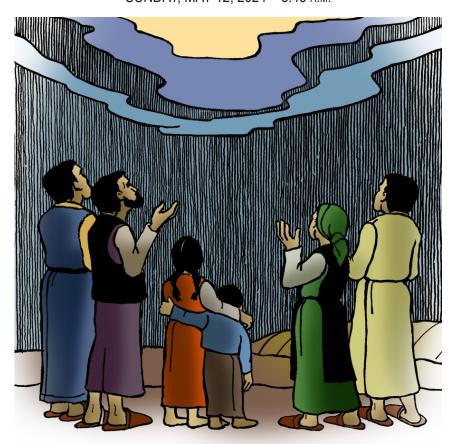


ASCENSION OF OUR LORD SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024 • 8:45 A.M.



GATHERING

Gathering Song – "The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)," Bryan Fowler, Jacob Sooter, and Matt Maher

Verse: Father let your kingdom come

Father let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven

Right here in my heart (repeat)

Chorus: Give us this day our daily bread

Forgive us forgive us

As we forgive the ones who sinned

Against us forgive them

And lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from the evil one

Let your kingdom come (repeat verse and chorus)

Bridge: It's yours it's yours

All yours all yours

The kingdom the power

The glory are yours

It's yours it's yours

All yours all yours

Forever and ever

The kingdom is yours (repeat bridge, then verse)

Ending: On Earth as in Heaven

Right here in my heart

Welcome and Easter Proclamation

Gathering Song - "God's Not Dead (Like a Lion)," Daniel Bashta

1. Let love explode and bring the dead to life

A love so bold to see a revolution somehow (repeat)

Pre-Chorus: Now I'm lost in Your freedom

Oh this world I'll overcome

Chorus: My God's not dead

He's surely alive

And He's living on the inside roaring like a lion

My God's not dead

He's surely alive

And He's living on the inside roaring like a lion

2. Let hope arise and make the darkness hide

My faith is dead I need a resurrection somehow (repeat)

Pre-Chorus: Now I'm lost in Your freedom

Oh this world I'll overcome (chorus)

Bridge: Let heaven roar and fire fall

Come shake the ground with the sound of revival

Let heaven roar and fire fall

Come shake the ground with the sound of revival (repeat, then chorus)

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Beloved in Christ, by Jesus' death

God forever destroyed the power of death

and raised Jesus to new life.

In our baptisms,

we are joined to Christ—

in his dying,

and in his rising again.

Our eternal life begins today.

We are a dying and rising people, an Easter-forever people, raised up for the sake of the world.

It is by these baptismal waters that we live.

In these waters, O God,

you have drowned everything

that separates us from you.

We are an Easter-forever people, raised up for the sake of the world.

You lead us to these waters for refreshment, again and again, as a Good Shepherd leads the sheep.

We are an Easter-forever people, raised up for the sake of the world.

At these waters we touch eternity,

life forevermore.

Here, we drink deeply from your healing fountain.

We are an Easter-forever people, raised up for the sake of the world.

Every time we turn to these waters,

we remember:

here, you have destroyed our sin.

Today and every day, we belong to you.

We are a dying and rising people, an Easter-forever people, raised up for the sake of the world. Amen.

Sharing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Song of Praise - "Sunday Sermons," Anne Wilson, Ben Glover, and Jeff Sojka

1. Seven years old third row pew

John 3:16 something changed in me

Red letters coming off the page

Flooding my heart with amazing grace

I knew then I believed

And those roots run deep

Pre-Chorus: Oh I been through some faith shaking hard times yeah But nothing's gonna make me forget

Chorus 1: Every one of those Sunday sermons

Every time that choir would sing

I could hear my Savior calling

Telling me how much He loves me

No matter what the world throws at me

I know His word is true

It all started with heart stirring spirit moving

Sunday sermons

Interlude: Devil gonna try and take me out of that church

But you can't take the church out of me

The devil gonna try and take me out of that church

But you can't take the church out of me

2. Gonna have my worries well that's part of life

But then I think of those stories

'Bout what my God can do

He's still moving like He did back then

Born again people can I get an amen

We've all seen the proof

He makes all things new (pre-chorus, chorus)

Bridge: Jesus loves me this I know
For the Bible tells me so
Jesus loves me ain't no doubt

So I'm gonna keep on talking 'bout oh yeah

Chorus 2: Every one of those Sunday sermons
Every time that choir would sing
I could hear my Savior calling
Telling me how much He loves me
No matter what the world throws at me
I know I'll make it through
All because of those heart stirring spirit moving
Sunday sermons (interlude 2x)

WORD

High School Seniors Recognition Video

Reading – Acts 1:1–11

Gospel – Luke 24:44–53

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, we confess our faith using the words of 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.

Song of the Day – "You Are the Way," Rick Muchow

1. There's a road that leads to happiness
There's a bridge that spans the emptiness
Between God and man
There's a life that is the Light of men
There's a truth that brings us back again
Back home again (chorus)

Chorus: You are the way, the truth, and the life You are the way, the truth, and the life You are the way, the truth, and the life You are the way, the truth, and the life

2. You're the reason for my happiness
You're the one that filled my emptiness
Oh yes
You're the way, You're the way for me
You're the truth, and Your truth has set me free
You set me free (chorus, instrumental, chorus)

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Offering Song – "Way Maker," Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

1. You are here, moving in our midst. I worship You, I worship You. You are here, working in this place. I worship You, I worship You. Chorus: You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the Darkness, my God, that is who You are. You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the Darkness, my God, that is who You are.

2. You are here, turning lives around; I worship You, I worship You. You are here, healing ev'ry heart; I worship You, I worship You. *(chorus)*

Bridge: Even when I don't see it, You're working.
Even when I don't feel it, You're working.
You never stop, You never stop working.
You never stop, You never stop working.
Even when I don't see it, You're working.
Even when I don't feel it, You're working.
You never stop, You never stop working.
You never stop, Jesus, You are

Final Chorus: Way Maker, Miracle Worker,
Promise Keeper, Light in the Darkness.
My God, that is who You are. You are
You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker,
Promise Keeper, Light in the Darkness.
My God, that is who You are.

Offering Prayer

God of life and hope,

we have brought our gifts today because we are grateful beyond words for your love, which has washed away our sin and made us your own.

Now bless these gifts and use them in this ministry we share so that all may know you and the life-giving power of your love and grace. Amen.

MEAL

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Invitation

Communion Song - "Healing Grace," Rick Muchow

Chorus 1: Oh Lord holy Lord

Who took my despair

And put joy in its place

Oh Lord most holy Lord

Thank You for Your healing grace

1. Your grace is changing my life

In so many ways

When I thought my life was over

You were waiting there for me

Now I can see

That there are good things

Only suff ering can bring (chorus 1)

2. Your grace is changing my life

In so many ways

I'm looking forward to the future

The work I have to do

Knowing I'm forgiven

And acceptable to You

Thank You for Your healing grace (verse 1)

Final Chorus: Oh Lord holy Lord

Who took my despair

And put joy in its place

Oh Lord most holy Lord

Thank You for Your healing grace

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Prayer after the Meal Dear God,

we see now the truth about you.

Your love for us is without limit.

In the hope of the empty tomb and possessed by grace, we pray for courage and faith.

Empower us to be Easter-forever people. Embrace us with your love. Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

Sending and Blessing

May God, who puts all things together, makes all things whole,
Who led Jesus, our Great Shepherd,
up and alive from the dead,
Now put you together, provide you
with everything you need to please him,

All glory to Jesus forever and always!

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

Sending Song - "Salt and Light," Jan and John L'Ecuyer

Verse: You make me want to be like you; Your holiness I will pursue. I want the heart of Jesus. Show me the meaning of your grace; I want to give the world a taste of the love of Jesus.

Chorus: Make me salt; make me light. Let your holy fire ignite. Reveal your glory in my life.

I am not ashamed to lift up your holy name. Make me salt; make me light. *(verse, then chorus)*

Interlude: Set me as a city on a hill, a lamp on a stand.

Mold me in your image, the work of your hand. (chorus)

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