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LUTHERAN CHURCH

Connecting Faith to Everyday Life.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024 ♦ 5:00 P.M.



GATHERING

Prelude – “Shall We Gather at the River,” arr. Heather Sorenson

Welcome and Easter Proclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

+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—

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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.

+Gathering Hymn – ELW, No. 482, “I Come with Joy”



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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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.

+Canticle of Praise – ELW, page 196

Refrain



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



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



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



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



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



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of



all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



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



for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.



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

+Prayer of the Day

WORD

Reading – 1 John 5:1–6

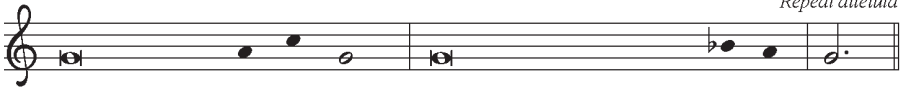
+Gospel Acclamation – ELW, page 198



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.

Repeat alleluia

+Gospel – John 15:9–17

The holy gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day – ELW, No. 367, “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: “Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: “Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: “Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!” Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!” Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!” Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
 strife. “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
 say: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
 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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+ 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.**

MEAL

+Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Invitation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

All of creation resounds with good news:
the tomb is empty;
God's love triumphs over death.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Good news like this is worthy of a response.
Gratitude and praise bloom within us,
but generosity also becomes a hallmark
of Easter-forever people
who know a love greater than death.

May God bless our generosity,
that the ministry of this place
may proclaim Christ crucified and risen
and connect faith to everyday life.

Offering Music – “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us,” Stuart Townend

Offering Prayer

God of life and hope,

**we have brought our gifts today because we are grateful be-
yond 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.**

Holy Communion

Setting the Table

Words of Institution

The 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 Hymn – ELW, No. 484, “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

Refrain



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep-herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres-ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your-self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



Refrain

so when you call your fam-'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joi - ce.
 that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav'n - ly food.
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?
 whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997
 Music: BICENTENNIAL, Robert E. Kreutz, 1922–1996
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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

Sending Hymn – ELW, No. 886, “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing,”
sts. 1–3



1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,
3 The name of Je-sus charms our fears and bids our sor-rows cease,
4 He speaks, and lis-t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re-ceive;



the glo-ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name.
sings mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
the mourn-ful, bro-ken hearts re-joice, the hum-ble poor be-lieve.

5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone,
be justified by grace!

6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: AzMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

Announcements

Sending and Blessing

Now may the God of peace,
who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep,
make you complete in everything good
so that you may do his will,
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

Postlude – “Joyful Day,” Mark Hayes

WORSHIP LEADERS

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Reader: Jeanne Carter

Media: Josh Matzner

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