

Easter 7
May 21, 2023
Divine Service 1

Confession and Absolution

457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which He en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
△ 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky He's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

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P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 100; antiphon: Psalm 101:1

I will sing of steadfast love and justice;
to you, O LORD, I will make music.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

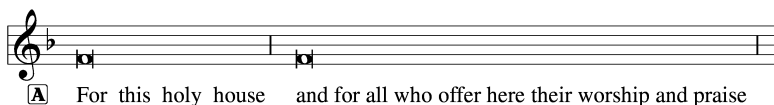
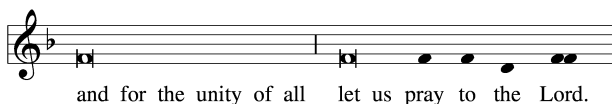
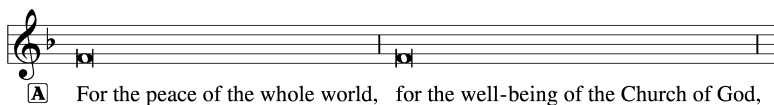
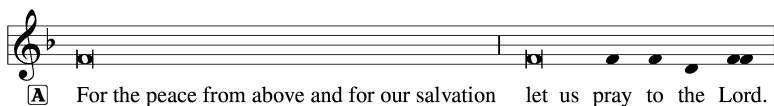
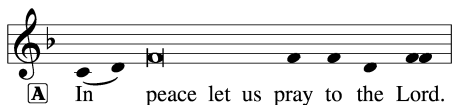
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

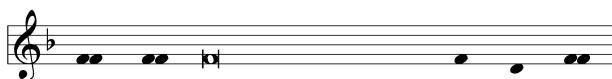
**as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

I will sing of steadfast love and justice;
to you, O LORD, I will make music.

Kyrie

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



C A - men.

This Is the Feast

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



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



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

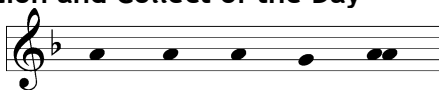


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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

First Reading

Acts 1:12–26

Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas

Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their

own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) “For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

““May his camp become desolate,
and let there be no one to dwell in it’;

and

““Let another take his office.’

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11

Suffering As a Christian

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. . . .

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 17:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

The High Priestly Prayer

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

"I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down
from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin
Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

**and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both
the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is
worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**


**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic
Church,**

**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of
sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**


Children's Sermon

464 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

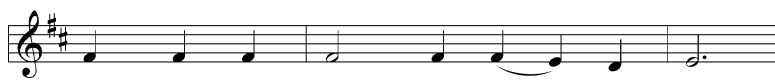
Refrain



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



1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;
 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst,
 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped,



Now is the vic - tor's tri - umph won;
 But Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed.
 He ris - es glo - rious from the dead.

The Refrain is repeated after st. 5.



Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 All glo - ry to our ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!

- 4 He broke the age-bound chains of hell;
 The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.
 Let hymns of praise His triumph tell.
 Alleluia!
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee,
 From death's dread sting Thy servants free
 That we may live and sing to Thee.
 Alleluia! Refrain

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 Tune: Giovanni P. da Palestrina, c. 1525–1594, adapt.
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Sermon

Offertory

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C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the Church of God, that she would be protected from every attack of the prowling lion, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For protection against Satan's seductions and terrors, that no false doctrine or ungodly living would gain a foothold among us, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For endurance and patience, that where the devil incites enemies against God's Word and Church, the saints may rejoice to share in Christ's sufferings, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the work of our missionaries, that the seeds they sow would bring forth the harvest of our Lord Jesus; that they would endure fiery trials for Christ's name; that they would shine the light of His Gospel into the hostile darkness; and that they would rejoice in tribulation to share the sufferings of the Lord who suffered for us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our nation and all people of the world, that peace and justice would overcome war and violence, liberty reign over oppression, and that the holy angels would guard those who defend us in the armed forces or protect us in our communities, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick and the distressed, those whose hearts are heavy, those whose lives are burdened, those who mourn, and all who are in need [*especially* _____]; and that they would be granted healing and given God's peace which passes all understanding, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For faith to recognize the body and blood of our Lord Jesus and to receive this blessed food in the Holy Communion; and for guidance to live faithfully here on earth until we live with Him eternally, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

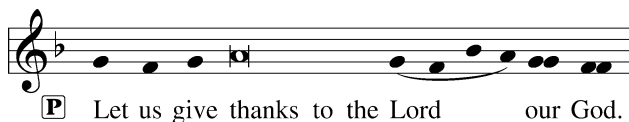
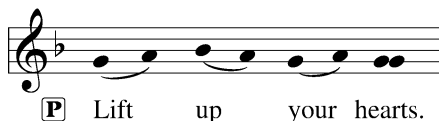
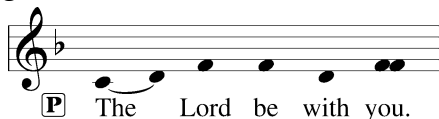
P Heavenly Father, as the first Christians devoted themselves to prayer and worship following Christ's glorious ascension, preserve us in the same until we are raised with all the saints to Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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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.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C' in a box, which is likely a typo for the key signature 'G'.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

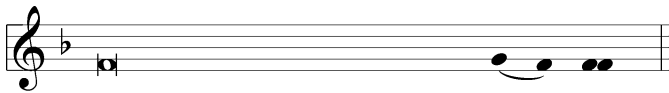
The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 163



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 163

Q 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.

Distribution

470 O Sons and Daughters of the King

came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing beamed eighth notes. The final measure of the third staff ends with a double bar line."/>

1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly
2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful
3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them
hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!
wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.
speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."
came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard
That they had seen the risen Lord,
He doubted the disciples' word.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,
And look upon My hands, My feet;
Not faithless but believing be."
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

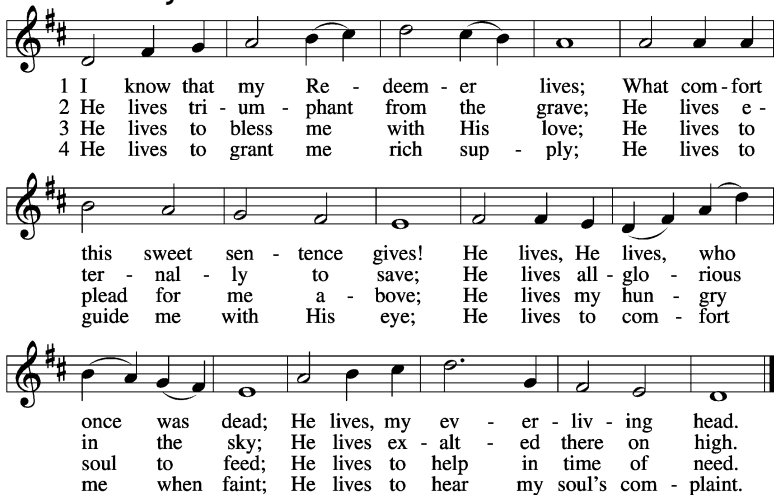
7 No longer Thomas then denied;
 He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 "You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

8 How blest are they who have not seen
 And yet whose faith has constant been,
 For they eternal life shall win.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days
 Be laud and jubilee and praise:
 To God your hearts and voices raise.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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 Tune: Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570–1615
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461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
 4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to

this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
 plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
 guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort

once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
 in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
 soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
 me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

5 He lives to silence all my fears;
 He lives to wipe away my tears;
 He lives to calm my troubled heart;
 He lives all blessings to impart.

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
 He lives and loves me to the end;
 He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
 He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–99, abr.
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490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -
2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is
3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus
4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall
5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the gate of life im -

pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!
giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,
liv - ing. Pure in heart and act a - bide,
sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell
mor - tal; This shall calm my trem - bling breath

From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er
Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is
Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I
Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will
When I pass its gloom - y por - tal. Faith shall

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

Text: Christian Fürchtegott Gellert, 1715–69; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–97, alt.
Tune: Johann Crüger, 1598–1662
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Thank the Lord

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C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy

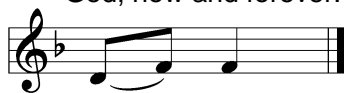


with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

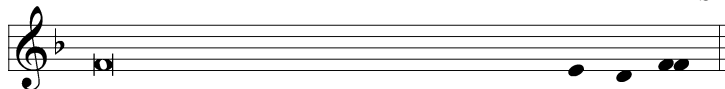
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benediction

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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.



C A - men.

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

praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer
 with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!

He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
 He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
 through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
 Al - le - lu - ia! Be to the Fa - ther and our

clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 life And by His pres - ence stills all
 day That by our lives we tru - ly
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly

here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
 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!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School: At 10:15 am in the Lutheran Student Center.

Bible Study: 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. We are studying: Psalms

Thursday Bible Study: Noon in the Fellowship Hall we are studying Deuteronomy.

May Newsletters: There are copies on the wall under the T.V. for you to take

New sign-up Sheets for- 2023- are now the wall:
Sunday Morning Bible Class Snacks, Apr to June, 2023
College Refreshment Snack: Summer Vacation
Altar Guild Schedule Jan to Dec, 2023

It is graduation time! We would like to provide our Immanuel high school seniors with a small scholarship again this year. Please contact Christy Rush (treasurer@ilcrolla.org) with the name of any member who should be included.

From Alex Tilford: “I Can’t even begin to thank everyone for the card. It put the biggest smile on my face.” Tell everyone the greatest thanks.

Lutherans For Life

Message from Mary Wittmaier, LFL Rolla Chapter President:

The demise of Judas (Acts 1:18) confirms death is always the devil's work (I Peter 5:8). We are not ashamed to resist its enticements, for the sake of both the Gospel and our neighbors. The work of God, on the other hand, always seeks to adopt even the ones the world discards and number every human life among His household (Psalm 68:5-6). Let us be about our father's business.

Baby Bottle Boomerang for the benefit of Rolla Pregnancy Resource Center is being sponsored by Immanuel's Lutherans For Life Team. Baby bottles are available for pickup on the table next to the pillar in the narthex today. Deposit change, bills or checks into the baby bottle from today until Father's Day when they will be collected.

Dorcas/LWML

Mites collected on Sunday, May 7, totaled \$45.80. This amount will be forwarded to national and district mission projects. To find a complete list of Missouri District LWML mission projects for 2022-2024 log on to www.missourilwml.org.

The next mite collection will be held, Sunday, June 4, 2023.

Please keep the LWML in prayer as the national convention will be held June 22-25, 2023 at which time a new set of national mission projects will be selected for 2023-2025.

There will be no Servant Workshop in June.

To God be the glory

Rummage Sale

A Rummage Sale is being scheduled for August to support the church bathroom renovation fund. Contributions in good condition are being sought for this project and will be collected in July.

Leisure Lutherans

Card and Game Day, every Thursday at 1:00 pm after Bible Class. Everyone is welcome to participate

Miscellaneous pieces of flatware and some glassware were discovered in the church kitchen during cleaning. These items are on display in the church basement room. Please take a moment to find missing pieces from your kitchen. All items not claimed will be contributed to the rummage sale.

Library Notes

Along with the two autobiographies and the NIV New Testament cassettes, another book is featured in the display on the credenza in the Fellowship Hall. It is **“Josephus” authored by Paul L. Maier**. Josephus’ writings are rather lengthy so Maier has made a careful, fresh translation. If you are not inclined to read the whole book, you will find Josephus’ first-hand description of the destruction of Jerusalem and the temple interesting. It begins in Part II, page 281.

To check out a book, please sign the card located in the book pocket and place it in the box nearby. Just return the item to that area.

JUNE 2022 LWML MISSION GRANT

Sharing the Gospel — Changing Lives

Gospel Outreach to Women and Children in Mongolia Lutheran Hour Ministries — \$100,000

Mongolia is a country in East Asia cradled between Russia and China with a population of 3.25 million. After a long period of repression, Christianity came to Mongolia just 30 years ago. The people of Mongolia are primarily Buddhist with some ethnic groups following Islamic beliefs. God has opened a door for Lutheran Hour Ministries to share the Gospel with people in Mongolia who have never heard of Jesus.

Lutheran Hour Ministries is focusing on reaching the Kazakh people, who are a minority group making up about 3.7% of the population. Most are Muslim and less than 1% are Christian. The Kazakhs have completely different perspectives and culture than most Mongolians. They struggle with severe poverty and social issues as they try to assimilate into Mongolian society. The Kazakh women face economic challenges. The challenges include unemployment, the role of women in their society, prejudice, and educational and language barriers.

This grant will provide funding to reach out and share God's Word and His love with Kazakh women and children through Women's Listener groups, religious broadcasts, and Christian resources in their own language. Women's Listener groups meet at the Lutheran Hour Ministry Center in Mongolia. During Women's Listener groups, women share common issues, discuss their vocations, learn about child rearing, develop communication skills, develop self-awareness, and build relationships with other Christians.

Lutheran Hour Ministries is sharing the Gospel with families and youth using audio Bibles, radio programming, outreach and discipleship materials in their language, and youth camps. Hearing the Word of God in their language encourages and strengthens their faith. These believers share the Good News with family and friends in a country where western missionaries are not welcome.

The Word of God and salvation in Jesus is reaching the Kazakh people through the efforts of Lutheran Hour Ministries. Currently, over five hundred people have been baptized. The monies from this grant will increase the opportunity to impact the lives of the Kazakh women and children.

To learn more about Lutheran Hour Ministries go to *LHM.org*.

Lutheran Hour Ministries

Project Connect:

Messages from: Bill Wuenschel:

Bulletin Announcement for Sunday, May 21,

Victim, Validated, Victorious (6BE141)

Gain insight how to overcome a life-shattering event and regain hope and trust.

The Flower Chart:

For 2023 is now up on the wall.

Please sign up for what Month and Day that you would like to do. Thank You.

Please let us know if you are ordering the flowers or are having someone else order them for you, or if you want us to order them. Also please let me know what you would like to have on the card. This is very important - when ordering please make sure that they have on the card who the flowers are from. Thank you



Sunday School: Will start at 10:15 in the lower level of the Lutheran Student Center. We'll learn about creation; man's fall into sin & that God promised to send a Savior.

Lesson Summaries

Unit 6

GOD Restores His People:

Lesson 4:

May 21,

In today's lesson, "Healing Waters," Syrian commander Naaman travels to see the prophet Elisha, hoping to find a cure for his leprosy. Taking along letters of introduction from the king of Syria, silver and gold, and new clothing. Naaman travels first to the king of Israel. Fearing reprisal from the Syrians, the king sends Naaman away. Naaman is directed to Elisha's house, where a messenger tells him to go wash in the Jordan seven times. Despite his initial resistance, Naaman washes, and his flesh is transformed like that of a little child.