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5th Sunday of Easter

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Welcome to worship in this Easter Season! All the elements of our worship are projected but they are also printed here in this bulletin (with music) for you. No one is an audience here today; we are all participants in worship where God gives us the blessings of Christ Jesus and we pour out our praise to God. In the entry there are activity bags for young worshippers. We have “Listen” earpieces available for the hearing impaired—simply ask one of the ushers. For those using their iPad or tablet: <http://bit.ly/SLCworship>.

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

(Please stand as you are able)

P: We gather in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Held in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy God,

C: we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources at the expense of our neighbors in need. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. We deny your truth and neglect your word. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord, and raise us up to life in you. Amen.

P: Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaking every snare of sin, washing away our wrongs, and bringing us healing and wholeness. In the name of Jesus, the risen † Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Take Me to the Water

1 Take me to the wa - ter, take me to the wa - ter,
2 None . . but the righ - teous, none . . but the righ - teous,
3 I . . . love . . Je - sus, I . . . love . . Je - sus,
4 He's . . my . . Sav - ior, he's . . my . . Sav - ior,

take me to the wa - ter to be bap - tized.
none . . but the righ - teous . . shall see God.
I . . . love . . Je - sus, oh, yes, I do.
he's . . my . . Sav - ior, oh, yes, he is.

The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The first system contains the first four lines of lyrics. The second system contains the remaining lyrics. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

Text: traditional

Music: TAKE ME TO THE WATER, African American spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer, b. 1935

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Greeting

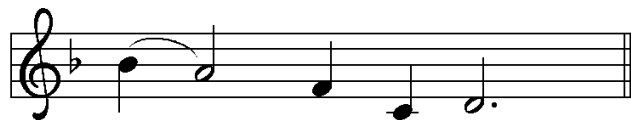
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

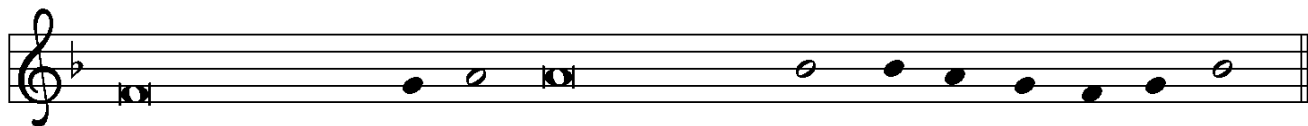
Kyrie and Hymn of Praise



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



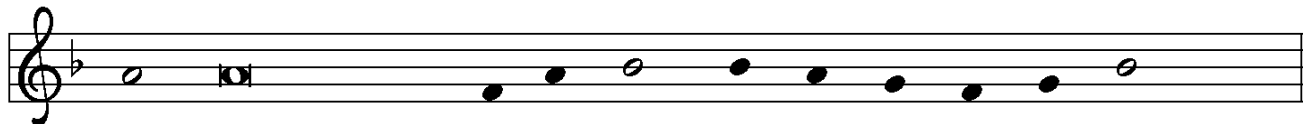
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



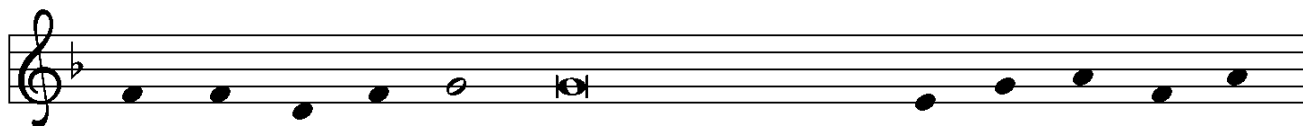
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the uni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



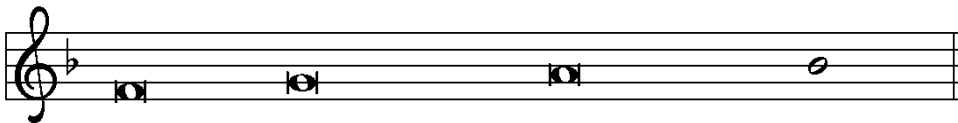
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

This is the Feast

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



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.

Refrain

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

O God, you give us your Son as the true vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we continue to believe, bear the fruit of love, and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

(Please be seated)

Children's Sermon

Kids Word (11am only)

THE WORD

First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” ³¹He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Musical Meditation Ubi Caritas (Durufle)

Translation

*Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other
with a sincere heart. Amen.*

Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

(Please Stand)

R: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 15th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

John 15:1-8

[Jesus said:] ¹“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon

“The True Vine”

by Pastor Bill Crabtree

(After a brief period of reflection, please stand for the hymn of the day)

Hymn of the Day Now the Green Blade Rises



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain,
your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

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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.

Prayers of the Church

P: ...Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(Please be seated following Sharing of the Peace)

Community Time & The Offering *(Please pass the black friendship pads down the pew – guests we would love to send you a thank you for worshiping with us, please provide your email or address.)*

Offering Music "Concerto No. 5 in D Major" Op. 22, 1st mvt. by F. Seitz

Offering Response "The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing" ELW 531
(Please stand)

Verse 1

The trumpets sound, the angels sing,
the feast is ready to begin.

The gates of heaven are open wide,
and Jesus welcomes you inside. *Chorus*

Chorus

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heaven's love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin;
the feast is ready to begin.

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Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray...

C: Living God, we are blessed to be a blessing. Use all that you have entrusted to us to further the Gospel and extend your love to all. Come to us now through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished by your real presence and trust in you alone as our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise



P: It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Words of Institution

P: In the night ... in remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer *(All)*

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.

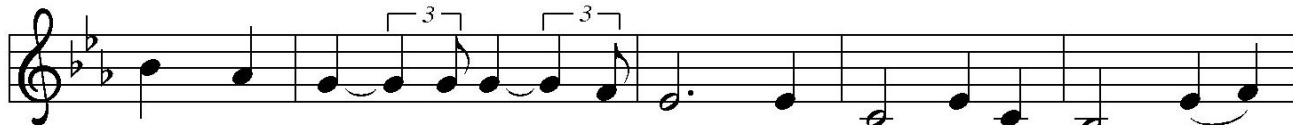
Amen.

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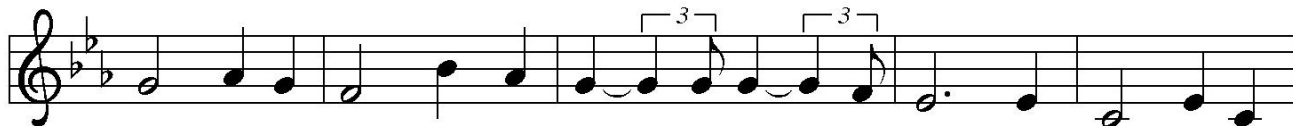


All Baptized Christians are welcome to join with us in this meal where we believe the true body and blood of Christ are present in, with, and under the bread and wine/juice. You will be ushered forward and there will be four tables of communion in the front of the sanctuary. You will be given a piece of bread or gluten free wafer by a pastor or lay leader. On the table you will have a choice of using the chalice for intinction or a small cup of wine or juice. If you choose to use the cup, then dispose it in the baskets. Adults who do not receive the Supper or children who have not received First Communion instruction can come forward for a blessing. If you have not been baptized, one of our pastors would welcome a conversation with you about Baptism.

Lamb of God



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



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



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -



way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn

Where Charity and Love Prevail

The image shows a musical score for a communion hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The first system contains five lines of lyrics. The second system contains four lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and single notes.

1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;
3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.
5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,

brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.
as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

Text: Latin hymn, 9th cent.; tr. Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997, alt.

Music: TWENTY-FOURTH, attr. Lucius Chapin, 1760–1842

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(Please Stand)

Blessing

P: The grace of the risen Christ and the gifts of his body and blood, give us life and hope eternal.

C: Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray... We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us now as witnesses to the resurrection, that all may know life in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

Benediction

P: The God of life, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and give you peace, now and forevermore.

C: Amen

Sending Hymn On Our Way Rejoicing

1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;

Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;

Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,

who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

The musical score is written for two parts: Treble and Bass. It features a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and single notes. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with two verses for the first line and one for each of the subsequent lines.

Refrain

On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,
 hear-ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

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Dismissal

L: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen, indeed, Alleluia!

L: Go in Peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Special Thanks Our'Chestra, Choir & Dainel Leonhart

Altar Flowers: Wade & Patti Randall, In celebration of 50th anniversary on April 20th

This Week's Worship Leaders (April 28th)

Preaching Pastor Bill Crabtree | Presiding Pastor Jonathan Sansgaard

April Altar Care: Julie Harpel and Ann Daly

Liturgists: (8:30) Brian Humm (11:00) Sue Shultz

**Communion Assistants: (8:30 am) Joyce Barry, Gary and Judi Blockus
(11:00 am) Sonny & Sharron Kanlian, Mary Ramsey**

Readers: (8:30 am) Joyce Barry (11:00 am) Olivia Cormier

Next Week's Readings: Acts 10:34-48, John 15:9-17

As you read the lesson, ask yourself two questions:

Why was this story told? Where do you see God at work?

Prayer and Care: Becky Peeler recovering from surgery. Sue Eagan recovering from surgery.

Recovering from Surgery/Illness: Nancy Matronic, Karen McQuillan, and Jeanne Patterson.

Facing Cancer: Rudy Burress, Elizabeth Domahidy, Julie Enger, Kay Kersten, Ron Maddux, Jim Piatt, Gerry Randall, Randy Randolph, George Roberts, Dave Rosinbum, Dave Ryan, Amelia Seagrave, Lisa Stephens, Melissa Tippets, David Trexler, Jim Weisbrodt and Bill Yocum.

Deployed & Military Support & Their Families: Jared Cain, Timothy Dao, Rebecca Mackey, Andrew Quam, David Wooten and all their families.

Continued Prayer: Joan Bauer, Hilma Bridges, Bob Brien, Don Budden, John Daly, Ace Edwards, Randy Fossum, Gene Gierke, Dawn Hamrick, Merrill Koster, Sharron Lindkvist, Jean Locke, Chuck McClung, Web Rhodes, Matt Ryan, Jean Sherbesman, Clinton Sperr, June Stocks, Tom Taft and JoAnne Wales.

Remembering all who are homebound or in ill health.



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