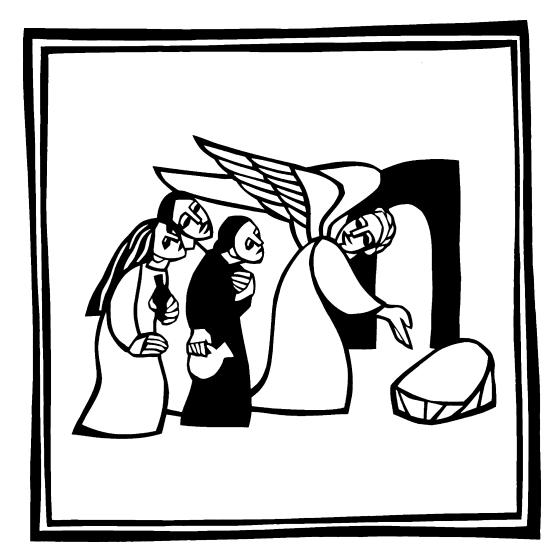
# EASTERSUNDAY



# PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

MARCH 31 ST, 2023

# GATHERING

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C (Boldly) Christ is risen indeed, alleluia.
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# **Thanksgiving for Baptism**

P Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

# All Amen.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth. By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things.

By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your Living Word and wash away the sin of all those who are cleansed by this water and bring them forth as inheritors of your glorious kingdom.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

# AllAmen.



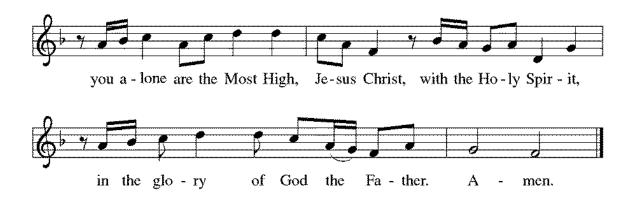
Thine Is the Glory

#### GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit by with you all.
- C And also with you.

#### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**





#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray. Heavenly Father, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

# THE WORD

#### **FIRST LESSON**

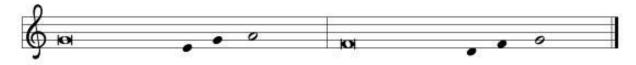
#### Астѕ 10:34-43

<sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

(after the lesson is read)	R	Word of God, Word of Life.
	С	Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

We will sing the psalm antiphonally by whole verse.



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<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the <sup>|</sup> LORD is good;

God's mercy en- I dures forever.

#### <sup>2</sup>Let Israel | now declare,

# "God's mercy en- | dures forever."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength <sup>|</sup> and my song,

and has become I my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents <sup>|</sup> of the righteous:

# "The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!

<sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD | is exalted!

The right hand of the <sup>|</sup> LORD acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup>I shall not <sup>|</sup> die, but live,

and declare the works <sup>|</sup> of the LORD.

<sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed pun-<sup>1</sup> ished me sorely, but did not hand me o-<sup>1</sup> ver to death.

<sup>19</sup>Open for me the <sup>|</sup> gates of righteousness;

I will enter them and give thanks <sup>|</sup> to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate <sup>|</sup> of the LORD;

here the righ-<sup>1</sup> teous may enter."

<sup>21</sup>I give thanks to you, for you have <sup>|</sup> answered me and you have become <sup>|</sup> my salvation.

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the build- <sup>|</sup> ers rejected has become the chief <sup>|</sup> cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>By the LORD has <sup>|</sup> this been done; it is marvelous <sup>|</sup> in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup>This is the day that the <sup>1</sup> LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be <sup>1</sup> glad in it.

# SECOND LESSON

# 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

[Paul writes] <sup>19</sup>If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup>For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup>for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

(after the lesson is read)

R Word of God, Word of Life.C Thanks be to God.

We stand GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



### GOSPEL READING M

#### Mark 16:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark

# C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup>So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

After the gospel is read

P This is the gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit

CHILDREN'S SERMON SERMON

# Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



#### **NICENE CREED**

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

#### PRAYERS

We gather our individual and communal intercessions and thanksgivings, remembering our connection to the universal Church on earth and heaven.

L On this day of resurrection joy, let us offer our prayers for ourselves, our neighbors, and our world.

each petition ends with L Risen Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

#### SHARING THE PEACE

Before we approach the Table of the Lord, we take the time to embody our calling to be agents of reconciliation and peace with one another. Let us ensure that each person in this room knows that God's peace is intended for them as we greet each other with the words, **"Peace be with you."** 

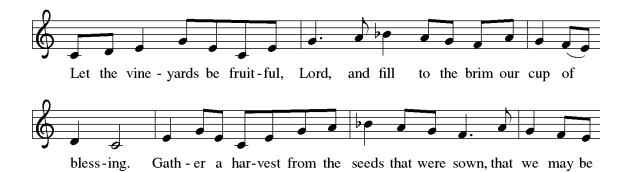
- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

After you have greeted your neighbors, you are invited to sit.

# THE OFFERING

We join Christians all over the world in worshiping God through the giving of our financial resources. If you are a first-time worshiper, you are our guest and we do not expect you to give an offering. For members and friends, the mission and ministry of this congregation is completely dependent upon the faithful stewardship of what God has given us. Our offering is a significant act of worship.

We stand.





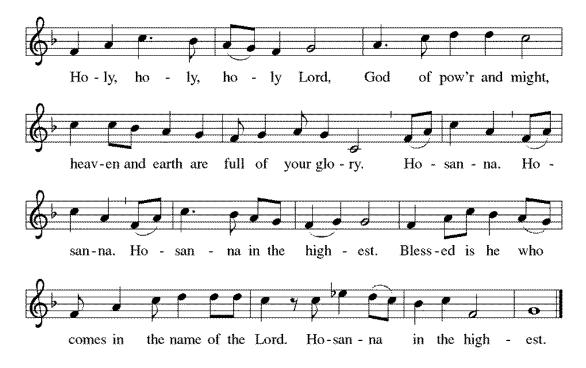
#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- P Let us pray.
- AllHoly God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### THE MEAL

- 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 our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in 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:



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory ... For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able... to you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.
- C Amen

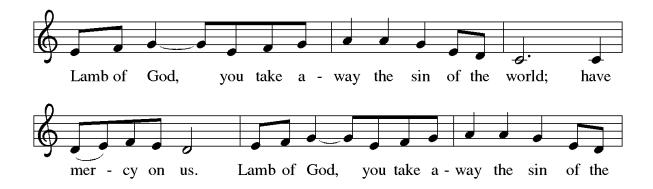
P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us.

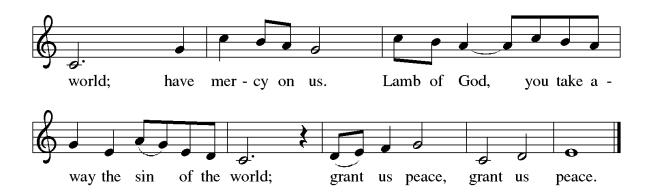
#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

#### **INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

P Taste and see that the Lord is good.





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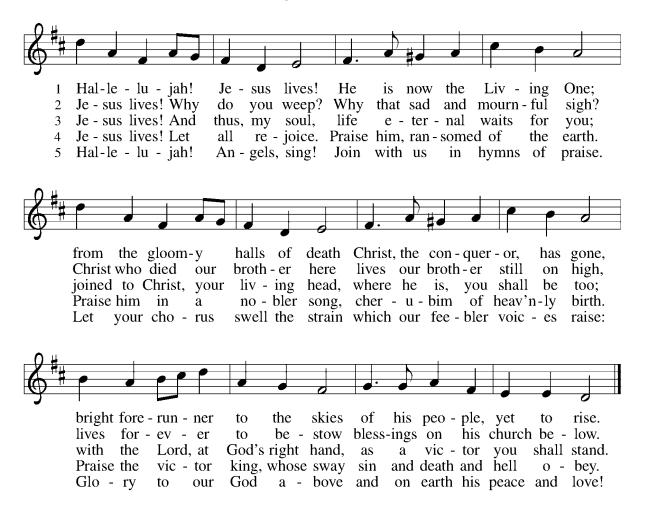
The Table of the Lord is open to all baptized Christians who believe that Christ is truly present in the sacrament. "In, with, and under" the signs of bread and wine are indeed the very Body and Blood of Christ, given for us. If you wish to receive communion please wait until the usher has invited you to come forward. After you have received the bread and the wine, please take your cup with you and place it in the ceramic bowl as you return to your pew. A post-communion blessing will be offered to the entire congregation once everyone who wishes to receive communion has done so. If you are not yet baptized but would like to explore this beautiful and precious gift from God to you, please reach out to Pastor Chris and she would love to talk to you about it.

**COMMUNION HYMNS** 

NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES

**SUNG BY PAM TOMKO** 

# Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!



#### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

Having shared in this holy meal, we now prepare to leave the table, giving thanks for spiritual nourishment and praying for strength to be sent in witness to the world.

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- P Let us pray together.
- C God of Abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have unites us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ. Amen.

# THE SENDING

#### BLESSING

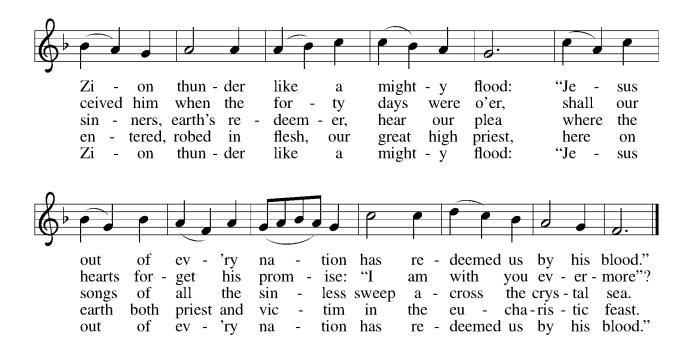
P The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

# C Amen

### SENDING HYMN

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o	
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be	
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth you his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - fu	
	e - f vu

# Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



We are dismissed in joy and peace, entering the mission field to do God's work with our hands.

- P Go in peace. Proclaim God's mission for us in the world! For God loves us and calls us to:
- C Love God! Love one another! Grow in Christ and go in Christ! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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