

"That They May Have Life" Sunday, April 30th, 9:00AM Fourth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN "OUR PASCHAL LAMB, THAT SETS US FREE"

Our Paschal Lamb, that sets us free,

Is sacrificed. O keep

The feast of freedom gallantly;

Let alleluias leap: Refrain

ref Alleluia! Alleluia! Again

Sing alleluia, cry aloud: Alleluia! Amen!

2 Let all our lives now celebrate

The feast; let malice die.

Let love grow strong anew, and great,

Let truth stamp out the lie. Refrain

3 Let all our deeds, unanimous.

Confess Him as our Lord

Who by the Spirit lives in us,

The Father's living Word. Refrain

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KYRIE LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

LSB 473

- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

THIS IS THE FEAST LSB 155

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P**Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 2:42–47

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE 1 Peter 2:19–25

¹⁹This is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE LSB 156

C Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **G** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL John 10:1–10

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ²But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

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.

SERMON HYMN "THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS"

LSB 709

- The King of love my shepherd is,
 Whose goodness faileth never;
 I nothing lack if I am His
 And He is mine forever.
- Where streams of living water flow,
 My ransomed soul He leadeth
 And, where the verdant pastures grow,
 With food celestial feedeth.
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me And on His shoulder gently laid And home rejoicing brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill
 With Thee, dear Lord, beside me,
 Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
 Thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;

Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

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SERMON

"THAT THEY MAY HAVE LIFE"

POST SERMON HYMN

"YOU SATISFY THE HUNGRY HEART"

LSB 641 sts. ref-2

You satisfy the hungry heart

With gift of finest wheat.

Come give to us, O saving Lord,

The bread of life to eat.

1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep,

They know and heed his voice;

So when You call Your fam'ly, Lord,

We follow and rejoice. Refrain

2 With joyful lips we sing to You

Our praise and gratitude

That You should count us worthy, Lord,

To share this heav'nly food. Refrain

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OFFERTORY LSB 159

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,

in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

PREFACE LSB 160

- The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P**Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- PLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and ... evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS LSB 161

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 161

- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth... the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- \mathbf{C} Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed.... As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

PAX DOMINI LSB 163

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

AGNUS DEI LSB 163

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US"

LSB 711

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us;

Much we need Your tender care.

In Your pleasant pastures feed us,

For our use Your fold prepare.

Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,

You have bought us; we are Yours.

Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,

You have bought us; we are Yours.

We are Yours; in love befriend us,

Be the guardian of our way;

Keep Your flock, from sin defend us,

Seek us when we go astray.

Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,

Hear us children when we pray.

Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,

Hear us children when we pray.

3 You have promised to receive us,

Poor and sinful though we be;

You have mercy to relieve us,

Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.

Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,

Early let us turn to You.

Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,

Early let us turn to You.

4 Early let us seek Your favor,

Early let us do Your will;

Blessèd Lord and only Savior,

With Your love our spirits fill.

Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,

You have loved us, love us still.

Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,

You have loved us, love us still.

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"HAVE NO FEAR, LITTLE FLOCK"

LSB 735

1 Have no fear, little flock;

Have no fear, little flock,

For the Father has chosen

To give you the Kingdom;

Have no fear, little flock!

2 Have good cheer, little flock;

Have good cheer, little flock,

For the Father will keep you

In His love forever:

Have good cheer, little flock!

3 Praise the Lord high above;

Praise the Lord high above,

For He stoops down to heal you,

Uplift and restore you;

Praise the Lord high above!

4 Thankful hearts raise to God:

Thankful hearts raise to God,

For He stays close beside you,

In all things works with you;

Thankful hearts raise to God!

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THANK THE LORD

LSB 164

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

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Let us pray...Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION LSB 166

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 Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CLOSING HYMN "SING PRAISE TO GOD, THE HIGHEST GOOD"

LSB 819

- Sing praise to God, the highest good,
 - The author of creation,
 - The God of love who understood
 - Our need for His salvation.
 - With healing balm our souls He fills
 - And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:
 - To God all praise and glory!
- 2 What God's almighty pow'r has made,
 - In mercy He is keeping.
 - By morning glow or evening shade
 - His eye is never sleeping.
 - Within the kingdom of His might
 - All things are just and good and right:
 - To God all praise and glory!
- 3 We sought the Lord in our distress;
 - O God, in mercy hear us.
 - Our Savior saw our helplessness
 - And came with peace to cheer us.
 - For this we thank and praise the Lord,
 - Who is by one and all adored:
 - To God all praise and glory!
- 4 He never shall forsake His flock,
 - His chosen generation;
 - He is their refuge and their rock,
 - Their peace and their salvation.
 - As with a mother's tender hand,
 - He leads His own, His chosen band:
 - To God all praise and glory!
- 5 All who confess Christ's holy name,
 - Give God the praise and glory.
 - Let all who know His pow'r proclaim
 - Aloud the wondrous story.
 - Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,
 - For God is God, and He alone:
 - To God all praise and glory!
 - Text: Johann Jacob Schütz, 1640–90; (sts. 1–3, 5): tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–97, adapt.; (st. 4): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, adapt

DISMISSAL

- P Go in God's peace; love and serve your neighbor!
- C Thanks be to God!