



GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion
The Second Sunday of Easter
April 24, 2022
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.**

WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

We welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence, just as you are. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome God's people of all races, social statuses, physical and mental abilities, sexual orientations, and gender identities to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve. Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Grace. We encourage you to fill out the perforated page on the back of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Welcome!

Children's resources, including activity bags, worship bulletins and booster seats, are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

Nursery care is provided at both the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services for children ages 4 and under. The nursery is located across from Fellowship Hall. From the atrium, go through the Lamb Door by the elevator, up half a flight of stairs and turn right. From the sanctuary, go through the door by the stone baptismal font, up the stairs and turn left. A silent paging system allows the nursery staff to contact parents when needed.

Assistance in Worship: For those who find it difficult to stand during any part of the service, please remain seated and contact an usher if you would like Holy Communion to be brought to you. Sound enhancement units are available in the back of the church. Large print bulletins are available from the ushers in the back of the church and at the Division Street door.

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices. Thank you.

In Holy Communion the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All baptized Christians are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to one of the pastors.

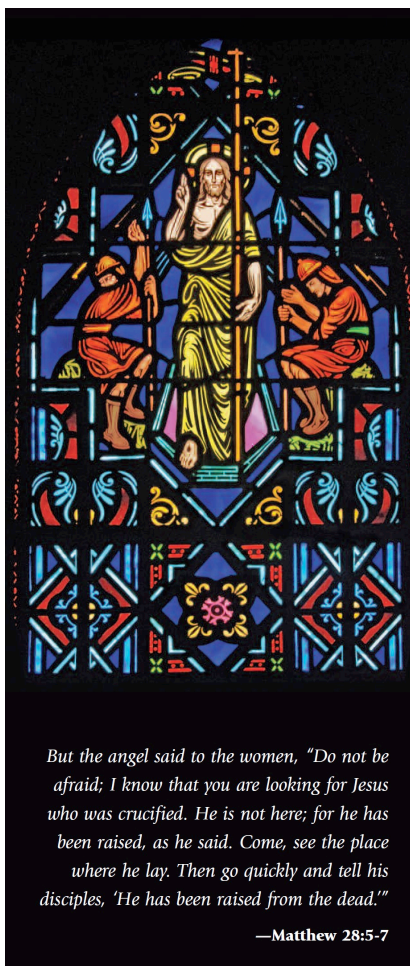
Educational opportunities occur between worship services at 9:45. Topics and locations for classes are listed at the end of this bulletin under "This Week at Grace."

Grace Council Statement on Racism: Racism, manifested in individual acts and present throughout systems, continues to prevent us from being the beloved community that God intends. Our faith in the crucified and risen Christ compels us to speak. We speak against the sin of racism. We speak in solidarity with Black people and all people of color, each of whom is precious to God. We stand with and for Black people within our church and school and in the larger community.

We commit ourselves to following Jesus Christ into the world in the hope that, by the Spirit's power, God's Kingdom would come on earth as it is in heaven. We look with hope and anticipation to a season of growth and change as Grace becomes a more faithful witness to God's wide welcome in Christ. We see this as the beginning, not the end, of the conversation. We pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us, and for the courage to follow.

As We Gather

They have gone back inside. The disciples retreat behind locked doors. Safety is elusive. Fear has gripped them. In despondent confusion they try to make sense of what Mary had said but how could it be true? It is precisely in that moment that the risen Jesus walks into that closed room and back into their lives. He draws near to them. He comes close. He breathes on them the Holy Spirit, shows them his wounds, offers them peace and forgiveness. Trapped inside our own hearts by sin and death we recognize the grip of fear and uncertainty, confusion, and grief. Not just inside us. It is all around us. Here, Jesus comes close. He pulls us into his embrace and gives us himself. In those wounded hands we have been carried from death to life. The Holy Spirit, alive within those same hearts of ours, has a way of sending us outside. Now, at peace we cannot help but bear witness to who we have seen.



But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead.'"

—Matthew 28:5-7

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+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE: Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

Michael D. Costello

We stand and face the processional cross for the hymn.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

(green) **LBW #132**



1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst his pris - on,
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,
4 For to - day a - mong the twelve Christ ap - peared, be - stow - ing
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Now we cry to our King im - mor - tal,



God has brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness,
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has ris - en;
with the roy - al feast of feasts comes its joy to ren - der;
his deep peace, which ev - er - more pass - es hu - man know - ing.
who, tri - um - phant, burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal.



loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,
all the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing
comes to glad - den faith - ful hearts which with true af - fec - tion
Neith - er could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,
Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!



led them with un - moist - ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.
from his light, to whom is giv'n laud and praise un - dy - ing.
wel - come in un - wea - ried strain Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!
nor the watch - ers, nor the seal, hold him as a mor - tal.
God has brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness!

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: GAUDEAMUS PARITER, Johann Horn, c. 1490–1547

GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE: Worthy Is Christ

Women sing parts marked 1. Men sing parts marked 2.

All sing parts marked C.

C This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. **I** Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was
slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.
C This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. **II** Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and
strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.

☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☐ 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.
 ☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☐ For the Lamb who was
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.
 ☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God of life,

you reach out to us amid our fears
with the wounded hands of your risen Son.

By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy,

and strengthen us to be the body of your Son,

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We sit.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27–32

When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTIPHON: You are my God, and I will exalt you.

Michael D. Costello

- L** The LORD is my strength | and my song,*
and he has become | my salvation.
- C** **There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory***
in the tents | of the righteous:
- L** “The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!*
- The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
- The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!”
- C** **I shall not | die, but live,***
and declare the works | of the LORD.
- L** The LORD has pun- | ished me sorely,*
but he did not hand me o- | ver to death.
- C** **Open for me the | gates of righteousness;***
I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the LORD.
- L** “This is the gate | of the LORD;*
- he who is right- | eous may enter.”
- C** **I will give thanks to you, for you | answered me***
and have become | my salvation.
- L** The same stone which the build- | ers rejected*
- has become the chief | cornerstone.
- C** **This is | the LORD’s doing,***
and it is marvelous | in our eyes.
- L** On this day the | LORD has acted;*
- we will rejoice and be | glad in it.
- C** **Hosanna, | LORD, hosanna!***
LORD, send us | now success.
- L** Blessed is he who comes in the name | of the Lord;*
- we bless you from the house | of the LORD.
- C** **God is the LORD; he has | shined upon us;***
form a procession with branches up to the horns | of the altar.
- L** “You are my God, and | I will thank you;*
- you are my God, and I | will exalt you.”
- C** **Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;***
his mercy en- | dures forever.

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4–8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



We stand

SEQUENCE HYMN: Christ Is Arisen



Christ is a - ris - en from the grave's dark pris - on. So let our joy rise



full and free; Christ our com-fort true will be. Al - le - lu - ia!



Were Christ not a - ris - en, then death were still our pris - on.



Now, with him to life re-stored, we praise the Fa-ther of our Lord. Al - le - lu - ia!



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



al - le - lu - ia! Now let our joy rise full and free;



Christ our com - fort true will be. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: German hymn, c. 1100; tr. Martin L. Seltz, 1909–1967, alt.
Music: CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1533

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HOLY GOSPEL: John 20:19–31

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

G **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit.

(11:00) **CHILDREN’S SERMON**

SERMON: Witnesses of our Wounded and Risen Savior

Pastor Troy E. Medlin
Acts 5:27–32; John 20:19–31



We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Before the Ancient One, Christ Stands

ACS #953



1 Be - fore the An-cient One, Christ stands, en - robed in cloud and
2 Who was, who is, and is to come as ser - vant lived in
3 Now in the lat - ter days you call, O Christ, and plead the



bright as snow, five wounds im - print his side, feet, hands, and
hu - man sphere; com - pas - sion was his di - a - dem; his
prem - ise clear, that pow - er grasped is none at all, and



thorns, the gar - land on his brow. Yet thrones and
glo - ry was the gen - tle tear; hu - mil - i -
serv - ing shows your Spir - it near. As na - tions



pow'rs fall to the knee and weave a song of maj - es - ty,
ty, his pur - ple garb; the heal - ing hand, his roy - al orb.
clash and wis - dom wanes, as glo - ries tempt and greed sus - tains,



for what the world ad - mires as gain is not the es - sence
Such love drew ire and ire drew death, but God has proved the
you bid us choose in ev - 'ry hour the pow'r of love, the



of Christ's reign, and strength is his, and name and
tru - er strength, and through all space the host pro -
great - est pow'r, that love may her - ald God's do -



might, be - cause he pit - ied hu - mans' plight.
claims the name a - bove all oth - er names.
main, and you, at last, may come to reign.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, 1953–2022

Music: CHRIST CHURCH, MINNEAPOLIS, Robert Buckley Farlee, b. 1950

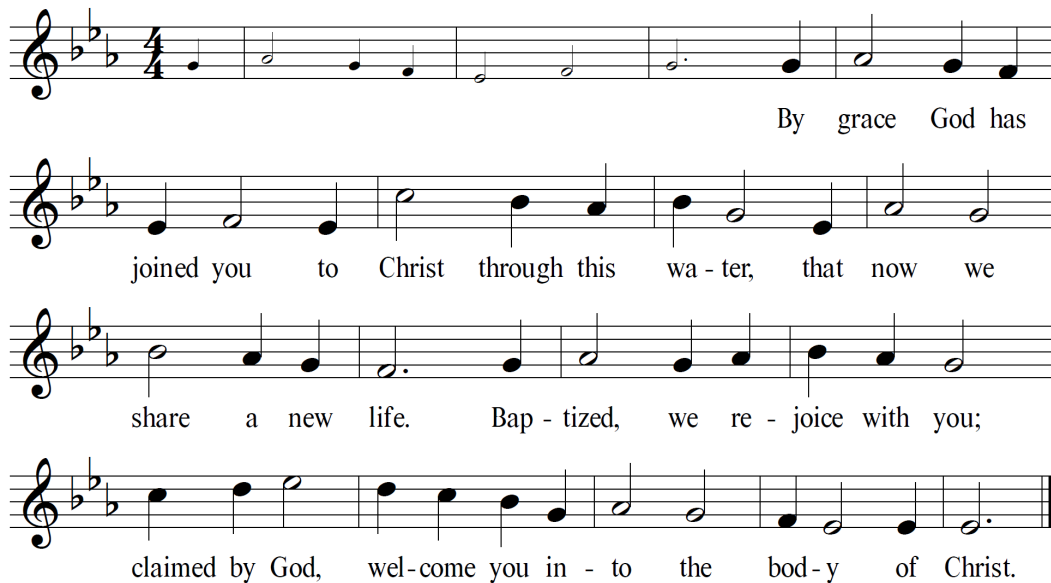
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(8:30) **SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM** (page 121 *in the front* of the green LBW.)

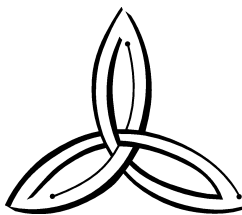
*Sophia Rose Galeener
Henry William Galeener
Charles Joseph Galeener*

After the spoken welcome, the following response is sung twice through:



By grace God has
joined you to Christ through this wa - ter, that now we
share a new life. Bap - tized, we re - joice with you;
claimed by God, wel-come you in - to the bod-y of Christ.

The musical score is written on four staves in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major (two flats). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats, and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "By grace God has". The second staff continues: "joined you to Christ through this wa - ter, that now we". The third staff continues: "share a new life. Bap - tized, we re - joice with you;". The fourth staff concludes: "claimed by God, wel-come you in - to the bod-y of Christ." The score ends with a double bar line.



(11:00) **NICENE CREED**

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C 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 OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

+ MEAL +

PEACE OF CHRIST

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.

OFFERING/VOLUNTARY: O Sons and Daughters of the King

Timothy Shaw

Giving is one of the ways we participate in all that God is doing through Grace.

Visit GraceRiverForest.org to give online.

We stand.

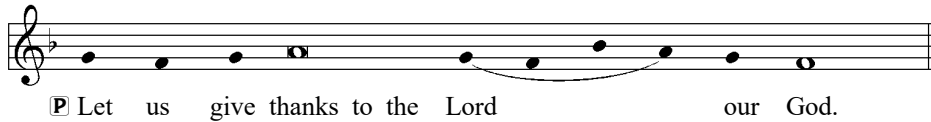
OFFERTORY HYMN: This Joyful Eastertide

This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
sprung to life this mor - row. Had Christ, who once was
slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in
vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -
ris - en; but now has Christ a - ris - en!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A** Let us pray. Merciful Father,
C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—
our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



- P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his 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:

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.

P Holy, living, and loving God,
 we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood,
 for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery,
 and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry,
 and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection,
 we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:
 carry us in your arms from death to life,
 that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father,
 with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C Amen.

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

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.

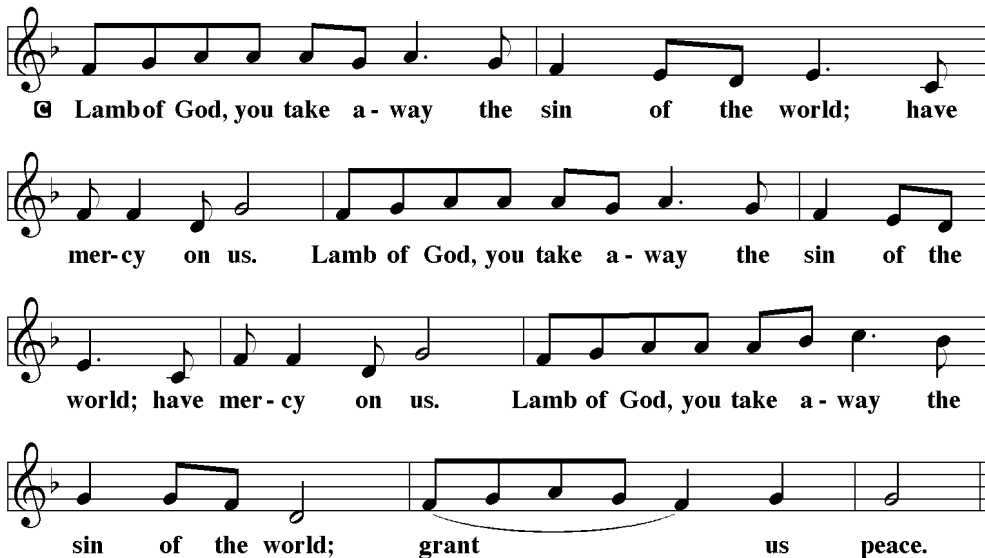
P The gifts of God for the people of God.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P Come, for all is now ready.

We sit.

AGNUS DEI



C 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.

COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized.

The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.

We receive communion at the head of the center aisle, receiving the consecrated bread and then drinking directly from the chalice or dipping the bread into the wine (intinction).

Those choosing individual cups will find non-alcoholic wine in the center of the tray.

Those with a gluten allergy may ask the pastor for a gluten-free host.

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

HYMN: So Much to Sing About

Tune and Concertato by Paul D. Weber

(11:00) Stanza two is sung by the choir.




1. So much to sing a - bout, so much to praise you
2. So much to sing a - bout: once or - phaned and a -
3. So much to sing a - bout: your wis - dom, might, and
4. So much to sing a - bout: all I have seen and



for, so much I can - not live with - out, and
lone, how could I dare be - lieve the news that
love, that ev - en three - score years and ten are
heard, your glo - ry in my ta - lents' use my



so much more: at which dis - play of maj - es - ty the
you would come to live and die, for me, for me! and
not e - nough to count your gifts and search be - neath the
best re - ward: that oth - ers see what I have seen and



ver - y stones are moved to shout.
so make sure my wel - to come home.
sur - face of your trea - sure - trove.
sing with me: "It is the Lord!"

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1919–2008

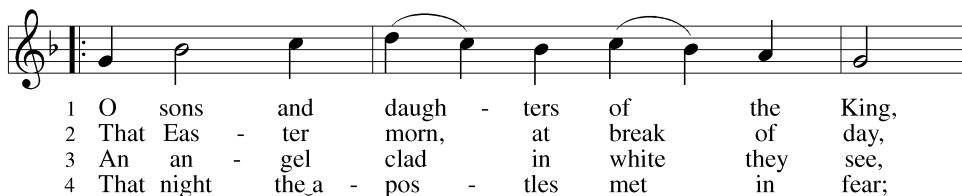
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HYMN: O Sons and Daughters of the King

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After stanza 9:



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|--|--|
| <p>5 When Thomas first the tidings heard,
that they had seen the risen Lord,
he doubted the disciples' word.
Alleluia!</p> | <p>7 No longer Thomas then denied;
he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
Alleluia!</p> |
| <p>6 "My pierced side, O Thomas, see,
and look upon my hands, my feet;
not faithless, but believing be."
Alleluia!</p> | <p>8 How blest are they who have not seen,
and yet whose faith has constant been,
for they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia!</p> |
| <p>9 On this most holy day of days,
be laud and jubilee and praise:
to God your hearts and voices raise.
Alleluia!</p> | |

We stand.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

A Let us pray.

Eternal God, through our baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ
you give us the water of life and nourish us at this table
with the food and drink of the promised land.

Send us forth into the world, that we may be witnesses to your glory
made known to us in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C Amen.

+ SENDING +

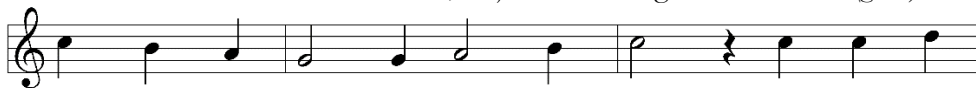
BENEDICTION

P Almighty God: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

(green) LBW #144



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; bring flow'rs of
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -



tri - umph of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
song to strew his way; let all the world re - joice and say:
life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
day with one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



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

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.

Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpus, c. 1570–1615

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DISMISSAL

- A** Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
- A** Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! Mark Bender

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. David R. Lyle, presiding ministers
The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, preaching minister
Christine Nelson, assisting minister
The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor

8:30

Susie Calhoun
Rebecca Dahlstrom and Gwen Gotsch
Zack Morgan and Greta Lyle
Donna Serpico and Julie Modrich
Donna Serpico and John Lochner
Dick Calhoun and Paul Koester
Andrew Costello and Justin Martin

Deacon
Lectors
Crucifer/Bible Bearer
Gift Bearers

Altar Guild
Ushers

Livestream Audio/Video
Choir

11:00

Valerie Stefanic
David and Carrie Simpson
Lucy Williams
Neal and Esther Armstrong
Gerlinde VanDriesen and Roberta Gillespie
Gerlinde VanDriesen and Ted Anton
Grace Parish Choir

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LET US PRAY. . .

Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Betty Albain	Rosemary Cheatem	Virginia Hillert	Jennifer Murtoff
Diane Amati	Hans Dumpys	Bob Jandeska	Marnie Rourke
Annalise Balock	Louis Elia	Phyllis Kersten	Pat Scala
Cathy Barker	Hena Gantepalli	Scott Krueger	Ole Schenk
Len Berghaus	Erica Charles Garcia	Karen Lemke	Jim Scherer
Miriam Bretscher	David Gruendler	Carolyn Martin	Cameron Valencia
MaryBeth Buschman	Don Heimbürger	Karen McMahon	
Dan Cattau	Patricia Herendeen	Dave Moeller	

Felipe Altamirano (*friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker*)
 Pat B. (*friend of Pat Anderson*)
 Javed Bachew (*relative of Susan Franzone*)
 Lindy Backus (*niece of Bob and Kathy Hale*)
 Greg Ball (*friend of Irmgard Swanson*)
Hattie Becker (*great niece of Joe and Eileen Maggio*)
 James Beglin (*cousin of Cathy Schnittker*)
 Fran Benson (*sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat*)
 Karen Berglund (*friend of Carol Stanger*)
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 Jamie Carpenter (*cousin of Jay and Scott Christopher*)
 Elena Davis (*friend of Sue and Pat Allen*)
 Stella Dillberg (*mother of Gretchen Weaver*)
 Clara Dorsey (*mother of Jo-Ellyn Dorsey*)
 Jeanine Wakim El-Khoury (*friend of Chrissy Nelson*)
 Patti and Neal Enslin (*friends of Marilyn Heppner*)
 Randy Ernst (*friend of Valerie Spiller*)
 Rikka Estenson (*mother of Erika Lyle*)
 Annika Ferguson (*daughter of David Ferguson and Jill Koski*)
 Cindy Sircher Fuchs and family (*friend of Susan Franzone*)
 Benjamin Galihér (*nephew of Paul May*)
 Chandramma Gantepalli (*mother of Hena Gantepalli*)
 Luke Gawencka (*friend of Eunice Spurgat*)
 Ray Grasse (*Grace School alum*)
 Mike Guss (*friend of Lance and Stephanie Wilkening*)
 Jerry Haase (*friend of Mary Margaret Bartley & Stewart Clarke*)
 Ken Hansen (*friend of Bill and Barbara Urbrock*)
 Jill Hanssen (*niece of Ann Mason*)
 Carol Hartung (*mother of Justin Hartung*)
 Harry Heppner (*brother of Ken Heppner*)
 Margaret Hofmaier (*mother of Barbara Hofmaier*)
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 Patrick Kennedy (*friend of Grace Church*)
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 Kathryn Krubsack (*niece of Irmgard Swanson*)
 Maxx Kuser (*friend of Deb Maxwell*)
 Charlotte Lisius (*friend of Gary and Marilyn Wenzel*)

Beth Luebbe and family (*sister of Jenny Luebbe*)
 Karen Luebbe (*mother of Jenny Luebbe*)
 John Lunde (*friend of Susan Messerli*)
 Esther Martz (*friend of Susie Calhoun*)
 Melina Masihi (*friend of Chrissy Nelson*)
 Pam Mattox (*friend of many at Grace*)
 Stacy Maugans (*friend of Johanna Johnson*)
 Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell (*cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell*)
 Dwight Nelson (*father of Annalise Nelson Balock*)
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 Dolores Pelz (*cousin of Evelyn Grams*)
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 Russ Tellio (*friend of Susan and David Franzone*)
 Ilene Thompson (*sister of Marilyn Heppner*)
 William Van Santen (*father of Ken Van Santen*)
 Mary Lou Wagoner (*sister-in-law of Stan Reddel*)
 Verna Walsh (*aunt of Dan and Deanna Marotz*)
 Lennon Waspi (*relative of Ann and Ed Mason*)
 Bob Weaver (*husband of Gretchen*)
 Michael Winters (*friend of Dick and Linda Martens*)
 Karen Wischhusen (*sister of Ann Mason*)
 Nancy & Dick Woodka (*friends of Susan & David Franzone*)
 Randi Woodworth (*sister of Tammy Bretscher*)
 Don and Arleeta Yeske (*friends of Eunice Spurgat*)
 Veronica Zurowski (*mother of Tom Zurowski*)

Benevolence ministries

Lutheran Child & Family Services of Illinois (LCFS)

In Thanksgiving for

The baptism of **Sophia, Henry and Charles Galeener** (*children of Megan and Aaron Galeener*)

The birth of **Isaiah Michael Rodgers** (*son of Madeline Rogers and Elijah Rodgers, grandson of Chris Rogers and Deb Schmidt-Rogers, great-grandson of Gick Schmidt*)

For those who mourn the death of

Carol Buchholz (*Concordia roommate and friend of Liene Sorenson*)

Evelyn Gaspar (*mother of Susan Hickey*)

Doris Wohrley (*mother of Linda Bernard*)

Those serving in the armed services

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Kront*)

Reid Beveridge (*son-in-law of the Schnacks*)

Kellyn Daly (*niece of Heidi and Chad Bohlmann*)

E. Michael Garcia Goetting (*son of Mary Goetting*)

Matthew Garmatz (*grandson of Margaret Garmatz*)

Matthew Grosz (*nephew of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

Zachery Grosz (*great-nephew of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

John Kibler (*son of April Kibler*)

Bradley Larson (*cousin of Rhea Sprecher*)

Joshua Nelson (*son-in-law of Ted and Maja Anton*)

Sonny Putman (*nephew of Susan Franzone*)

Rusty Robb (*grandnephew of Margaret Kruse/Roberta Gillespie*)

Matthew Shinkwin (*friend of Eunice Spurgat*)

Christopher W. Sylvester (*grandson of Janet Sylvester*)

Those in the foreign service

Julie Kmet (*friend of Ed and Susan Schumacher*)

Those studying abroad

Benjamin Ho (*Mexico*)

Colleen Lattyak (*Germany*)

Charlotte Shea (*England*)

Those who are homebound

Jayne Chilton

Carolyn Martin

Christopher Davis

Kathleen Wrobel

Joan Koerber

Those who need encouragement

Bruce Burnside (*friend of Bob and Margaret Burke*) in Oakhill Correctional Center

Cheryl Luchetta (*friend of Joan Koerber*) in Logan Correctional Center

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, APRIL 24

Library Open for Self-Service..... 8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Worship – Holy Communion.....8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Journey to the Cross (Fellowship Hall).....9:45 a.m.
Bach Cantata Vespers Preview (Seminar Room).... 3:00 p.m.
Bach Cantata Vespers (Sanctuary) 3:45 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 25

Budget Committee (1902 Room)..... 7:00 p.m.
Stephen Ministry Training (Conference Room) 7:00 p.m.
Stephen Ministry (Church Library)..... 7:30 p.m.
Dads of Grace (Youth Center)..... 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

Board of Spiritual Life (Conference Room)..... 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

School Chapel – Morning Prayer8:25 a.m.
Cornerstones Fellowship and Hymn Sing9:30 a.m.
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

Grace Notes Mailing Crew (Church Library)9:00 a.m.
Yoga (Fellowship Hall) 6:30 p.m.
Young Adult Theology on Tap (Offsite)..... 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

Social Ministry cooking for The Crib (Kitchen) 3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

Men of Grace (Youth Center)9:00 a.m.
Chicago Choral Artists Concert (Sanctuary) 7:30 p.m.

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