

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 17, 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.

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

The women were prepared for death. While they found no joy in it, death made sense. What they weren't prepared for was messengers in dazzling clothes who shared the strangest news: He who was crucified is not here, but has risen. They go, these first preachers of the resurrection, and tell the disciples. But the eleven dismiss the story out of hand. Jesus alive? No more than an idle tale, pure nonsense. By human wisdom and experience, of course, they're right. It doesn't make sense. But in this world where sin, suffering, evil, and death are commonplace, perhaps what we truly need is some divine nonsense. In God's upending of this world's ways, death is undone. Why, how, would God do such a thing for us? Being sensible has never gotten us very far. Thank God for the nonsense of the resurrection, for Christ in whom all things are being made new, and for joy that transcends all understanding.

✠ GATHERING ✠

We listen to the prelude as we gather for worship.

PRELUDE

Christ the Lord Is Risen Again

Christ the Lord is risen again,
Christ hath broken every chain.
Hark, angelic voices cry,
Singing evermore on high, Alleluia!

He who gave for us his life,
Who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb today;
We too sing for joy, and say Alleluia!

Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, thy ransomed people feed;
Take our sins and guilt away:
Let us sing by night and day Alleluia!

Michael Weisse, tr. Catherine Winkworth

CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN

Setting by Donald McCullough

Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN

Setting by Michael D. Costello

With High Delight Let Us Unite

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Setting by Sandra Eithun

An Easter Song of Praise

17th Century German Folksong
arr. A. Steven Taranto

Awake, awake, you lovely flowers that spring up from the ground,
To hear the songs of nightingales, whose joyful notes resound!
For with their tuneful melodies, this glorious news they bring:
That Jesus Christ is risen today, let all creation sing!

The cold and dreary winter wind soon quickly fades away,
As earth shakes off her drowsy sleep, and splendor fills the day!
The springtime wonders that reveal new life has been restored,
Remind us that we all receive new life in Christ, our Lord.

Praise God for giving us new life through Jesus Christ, the Son;
And praise the Holy Spirit, too, sing praises everyone!
Now let your heart and soul rejoice, your alleluias raise;
Give glory to the risen Christ, and lift your songs of praise!

A. Steven Taranto

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

MFURAHINI HALELUYA
Setting by Dennis W. Zimmer

Alleluia!

We stand and face the processional cross for the hymn.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

(green) **LBW #151**

Concertato by James Biery



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 you 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!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1–3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, st. 4
Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

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.

KYRIE *(sung by the choirs)*

Richard Hillert

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison.

O God, Father and Son and Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.

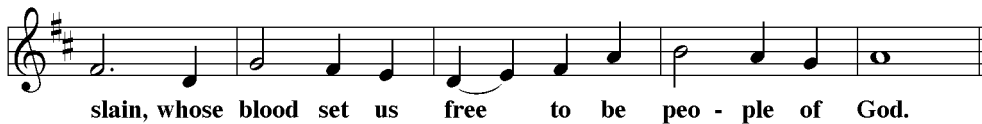
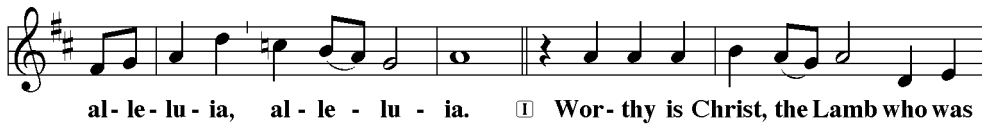
Kyrie eleison.

HYMN OF PRAISE: Worthy Is Christ

Richard Hillert

Women sing parts marked I. Men sing parts marked II.

All sing parts marked C.




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


al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. I 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.


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


al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. II For the Lamb who was


slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.


C This is the feast of vic-to-ry 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, 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.

We sit.

ANTHEM: Jubilate!

Carolee R. Curtright

Jubilate Deo. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness. come before his presence with a joyful song.

Sing to the Lord with the harp and the voice of a psalm.

Praise with stringed instruments, with timbrel and with dance.

Sing praise with the loud cymbals, with the high sounding cymbals,

With trumpet and sound of cornet.

Let everything that hath breath praise the lord.

From Psalms 98, 100 and 150



✝ WORD ✝

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34–43

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²He 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. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118:1–2, 14–24

Richard Hillert

ANTIPHON: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

☞ Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;*
his mercy en- | dures forever.

☞ Let Israel | now proclaim,*
“His mercy en- | dures forever.”

☞ The LORD is my strength | and my song,*
and he has become | my salvation.

☞ There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory*
in the tents | of the righteous:

☞ “The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!*
The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!”

☞ I shall not | die, but live,*
and declare the works | of the LORD.

☞ The LORD has pun- | ished me sorely,*
but he did not hand me o- | ver to death.

☞ Open for me the | gates of righteousness;*
I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the LORD.

- Choir** “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.
- Choir** 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.
- Choir** On this day the | LORD has acted;*
we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:19–26

¹⁹If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

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

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

We face the cross in procession, singing the Alleluia.

SEQUENCE: A Repeating Alleluia

Calvin Hampton

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

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

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HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.



But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P The Gospel of the Lord.



We face the cross in procession as the choir sings.

MOTET: Surrexit pastor bonus

Orlando di Lasso

*Surrexit pastor bonus,
Qui animam suam posuit pro ovibus suis,
Et pro grege suom mori dignatus est.
Alleluia!*

The Good Shepherd has arisen,
He who laid down his life for his sheep,
Who deemed it worthy to die for his flock.
Alleluia!

We sit.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON: Stop Making Sense

Pastor David R. Lyle
Luke 24:1–12

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

(blue) **WOV #674**

Concertato by Michael Burkhardt



All: 1. Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
All: 2. Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
Choir: 3. Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent;
All: 4. Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.
Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.
Je - sus is ris - en, and we shall a - rise.
Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!
Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!
Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!
Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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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

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

Visit GraceRiverForest.org to give online.

We sing as the offerings are gathered; after stanza six we stand as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY HYMN: I Know That My Redeemer Lives

(green) **LBW #352**

Concertato by Paul G. Bunjes

Stanzas four and six are sung by the choir.



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 grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

5 He lives to bless me with his love;
he lives to plead for me above;
he lives my hungry soul to feed;
he lives to help in time of need.

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.

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!

8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

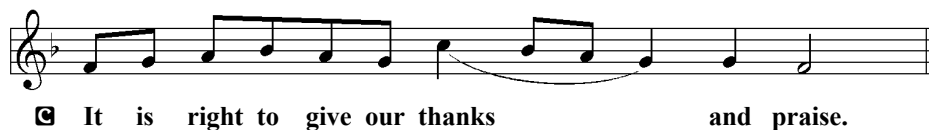
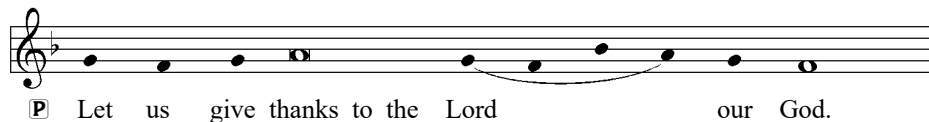
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Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

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



- ¶ 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:



☐ Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.
You have filled all creation with light and life;
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:
the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt,
the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets;
and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,
who proclaimed the good news in word and deed
and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

☑ **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

☐ Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,
we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

☑ **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

☐ Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,
that we who share in Christ's body and blood,
may live to the praise of your glory
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

☑ **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

- P** Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.



- 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.

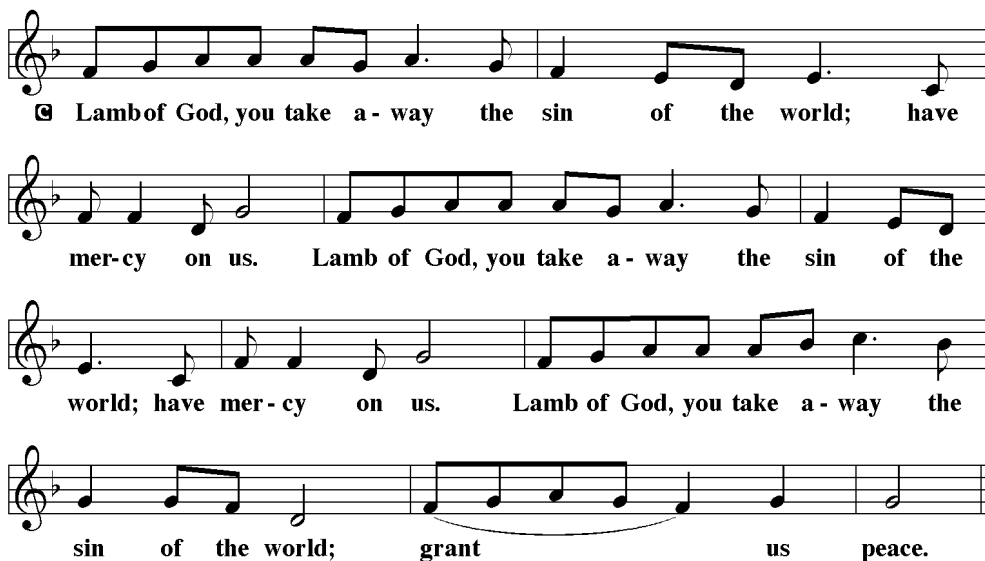
- C** Thanks be to God.

- P** Come, for all is now ready.

We sit.

AGNUS DEI

Richard Hillert



♩ 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

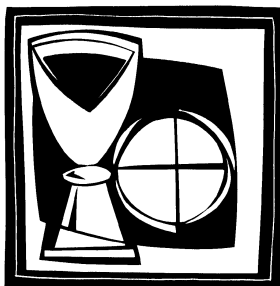
Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized.

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

VOLUNTARY: Good Christians All Rejoice

GELOBT SEI GOTT
Setting by Susan E. Geschke

HYMN: This Joyful Eastertide

VRUECHTEN
Setting by S. Drummond Wolff



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
Choir 2 Death's flood has lost its chill since Je - sus crossed the
3 My flesh in hope shall rest and for a sea - son
4 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and



sor - - - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
riv - - - er. Lov - er of souls, from ill my
slum - - - ber till trump from east to west shall
sor - - - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has



sprung to life this mor - - - row.
pass - ing soul de - liv - - - er.
wake the dead in num - - - ber.
sprung to life this mor - - - row.

Refrain



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, a - ris - en.

VOLUNTARY: Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Setting by Mark Sedio

HYMN: Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

(green) **LBW #143**

Concertato by Robert A. Hobby



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds in praise of love that
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings, there - fore our heart with
Choir 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; set heart and will on
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring and with the heav'n - ly



still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
things a - bove that we con - quer through your tri - umph;
bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!"



Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song
Now still he comes to give us life and by his pres -
grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's day that by our lives
Be to the Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest,



of glo - ry here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
ence stills all strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
we tru - ly say: Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
most ho - ly God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



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

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876–1947, alt.

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

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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: Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

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Tune and Concertato by Carl F. Schalk

1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be
 3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest
 4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light

thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread
 thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee
 thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be
 thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways
 thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly

thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup
 gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead - ing gone the cry
 then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war
 thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least
 then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee

thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
 gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
 thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
 then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.
 thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.

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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: Te Deum

Charles Callahan

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding ministers
The Rev. David R. Lyle, preaching minister
The Rev. Karl Reko, assisting minister
The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor
Grace Parish Choir

Grace School Grade 5–8 Choir
Johanna Johnson and Michael D. Costello, directors

Grace Bell Choir, handbells
Lisa Wolfanger, director

Christian Anderson and Candace Horton, trumpets
Dave Ferguson and Brad Payne, trombones
Jon Johnson, timpani

8:30

Daniel Lehmann
Sandy Lentz and Aiden Koehne
Nora Isenberg and Ryan Koehne
Donna Serpico and Neal Armstrong
Scott and Linda Street
Eliza Grahne, Julie Lehmann,
Scott Schwar, and Susan Weber
Anne Claud and Al Swanson

Deacon
Lectors
Crucifer/Bible Bearer
Gift Bearers
Altar Guild
Ushers

Livestream Audio/Video

11:00

Al Swanson
Rhea Sprecher and Rebecca Dahlstrom
Kaitlyn Dill and Elliot Engebretson
Carol Ewald and Roberta Gillespie
Gerlinde VanDriesen and Roberta Gillespie
Dave Jezl, Gerlinde VanDriesen,
Martin Becker, and Ted Anton

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LET US PRAY. . .

Those who are sick and recovering from illness

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

Felipe Altamirano (<i>friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker</i>)	Charlotte Lisius (<i>friend of Gary and Marilyn Wenzel</i>)
Kay Armstrong (<i>mother of Neal Armstrong</i>)	Beth Luebbe and family (<i>sister of Jenny Luebbe</i>)
Pat B. (<i>friend of Pat Anderson</i>)	Karen Luebbe (<i>mother of Jenny Luebbe</i>)
Javed Bachew (<i>relative of Susan Franzone</i>)	John Lunde (<i>friend of Susan Messerli</i>)
Lindy Backus (<i>niece of Bob and Kathy Hale</i>)	Esther Martz (<i>friend of Susie Calhoun</i>)
Greg Ball (<i>friend of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Melina Masihi (<i>friend of Chrissy Nelson</i>)
James Beglin (<i>cousin of Cathy Schnittker</i>)	Pam Mattox (<i>friend of many at Grace</i>)
Fran Benson (<i>sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat</i>)	Stacy Maugans (<i>friend of Johanna Johnson</i>)
Karen Berglund (<i>friend of Carol Stanger</i>)	Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell (<i>cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell</i>)
Khadija Bougdim (<i>friend of Pat Anderson</i>)	Dwight Nelson (<i>father of Annalise Nelson Balock</i>)
Jamie Carpenter (<i>cousin of Jay and Scott Christopher</i>)	Carol Niendorf (<i>friend of Bill and Barbara Urbrock</i>)
Elena Davis (<i>friend of Sue and Pat Allen</i>)	Danny Parkhill (<i>cousin of Stephanie and Lance Wilkening</i>)
Stella Dillberg (<i>mother of Gretchen Weaver</i>)	Dolores Pelz (<i>cousin of Evelyn Grams</i>)
Clara Dorsey (<i>mother of Jo-Ellyn Dorsey</i>)	Paul Peters (<i>son-in-law of Robert and Billie Navarro</i>)
Jeanine Wakim El-Khoury (<i>friend of Chrissy Nelson</i>)	Elaine Pierce (<i>friend of Al and Irmgard Swanson</i>)
Patti and Neal Enslin (<i>friends of Marilyn Heppner</i>)	James Powers (<i>friend of Al Swanson</i>)
Randy Ernst (<i>friend of Valerie Spiller</i>)	Susan Prather (<i>cousin of Adrienne and Ronald Rott</i>)
Rikka Estenson (<i>mother of Erika Lyle</i>)	Mark Redheffer (<i>son of Virginia Walker</i>)
Annika Ferguson (<i>daughter of David Ferguson and Jill Koski</i>)	Paula Rosenberger (<i>friend of Janet Sylvester</i>)
Cindy Sircher Fuchs and family (<i>friend of Susan Franzone</i>)	Steve Schmidt (<i>son of Gick Schmidt</i>)
Benjamin Galier (<i>nephew of Paul May</i>)	Sandy Schnittker (<i>sister of Paul Schnittker</i>)
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Jill Hanssen (<i>niece of Ann Mason</i>)	William Van Santen (<i>father of Ken Van Santen</i>)
Carol Hartung (<i>mother of Justin Hartung</i>)	Mary Lou Wagoner (<i>sister-in-law of Stan Reddel</i>)
Harry Heppner (<i>brother of Ken Heppner</i>)	Verna Walsh (<i>aunt of Dan and Deanna Marotz</i>)
Margaret Hofmaier (<i>mother of Barbara Hofmaier</i>)	Lennon Waspi (<i>relative of Ann and Ed Mason</i>)
Alice Hollis (<i>friend of Marge Sanger</i>)	Bob Weaver (<i>husband of Gretchen</i>)
Judy Johnson (<i>Grace School alum</i>)	Michael Winters (<i>friend of Dick and Linda Martens</i>)
Derek Kaufman (<i>son of Nancy Kaufman</i>)	Karen Wischhusen (<i>sister of Ann Mason</i>)
Doug Kerner (<i>friend of Irmgard and Al Swanson</i>)	Nancy & Dick Woodka (<i>friends of Susan & David Franzone</i>)
Patrick Kennedy (<i>friend of Grace Church</i>)	Randi Woodworth (<i>sister of Tammy Bretscher</i>)
Arnold Krubsack (<i>brother of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Don and Arleeta Yeske (<i>friends of Eunice Spurgat</i>)
Kathryn Krubsack (<i>niece of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Veronica Zurowski (<i>mother of Tom Zurowski</i>)
Maxx Kusper (<i>friend of Deb Maxwell</i>)	

Benevolence ministries

New Moms

For those who mourn the death of

Virginia Stewart

Those serving in the armed services

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Krout*)

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 17

Easter Sunday

Worship – Holy Communion 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 18

Easter Monday – Building Closed

Forward in Faith (Virtual)..... 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

Benevolence Committee (Seminar Room)..... 7:00 p.m.

Church Council (Conference Room)..... 7:30 p.m.

Scout Troop Meeting (3rd Floor Commons) 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

School Chapel – Morning Prayer..... 8:25 a.m.

Cornerstones Fellowship and Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer..... 11:00 a.m.

Cornerstones Lunch 11:30 a.m.

GriefShare (Virtual) 7:00 p.m.

Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

Faith Sharing Core Group (Conference Room) ... 12:00 p.m.

Moms of Littles (Youth Center)..... 6:30 p.m.

Justice and Peace Committee (Conference Room)..... 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

Grace School First Look Friday (Atrium)..... 8:30 a.m.

Friday Night Sock Hop (Gym) 6:00 p.m.

Religion in Literature (Offsite)..... 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

Youth Forest Preserve Clean Up (Offsite) 8:00 a.m.

Sing to Live Community Chorus Concert 7:30 p.m.

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