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To glorify God, to grow in faith, to give in service, together in Christ

April 9, 2023 Resurrection of Our Lord 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Nancy M. Raabe, Pastor Kevin Freaney, Minister of Music Lynn Fasick, Office Administrator Jessica Moran, Stepping Stones Director This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

Organ Prelude of Praise Hymns: Our God Reigns, Shine Jesus Shine and To God Be the Glory

GATHERING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C. Amen.** P. At Grace Lutheran Church, we gather:

C. To glorify God, to grow in faith, to give in service, together in Christ.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life. **C. Amen.**

P. Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation.Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life,you are the everlasting wellspring.In mercy and might you have freed us from deathand raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

Water is poured into the font.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

C. Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.



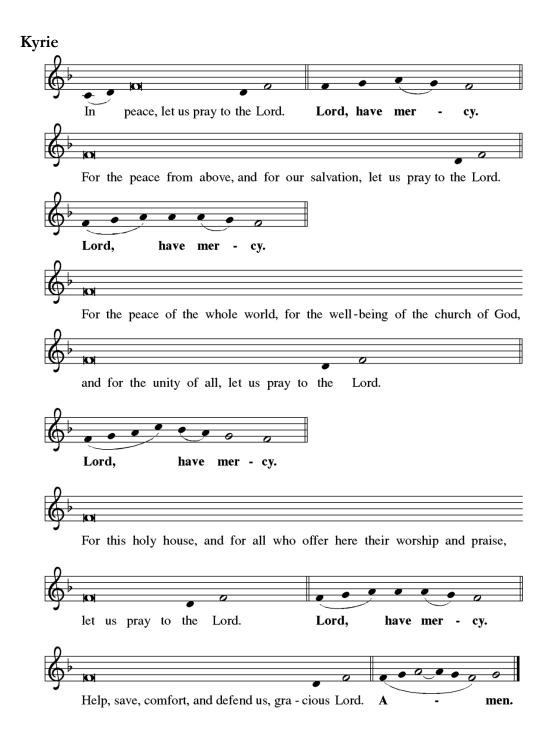
P. Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever. **C. Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: Jesus Christ is Risen Today



Greeting

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



Hymn of Praise





Prayer of the Day

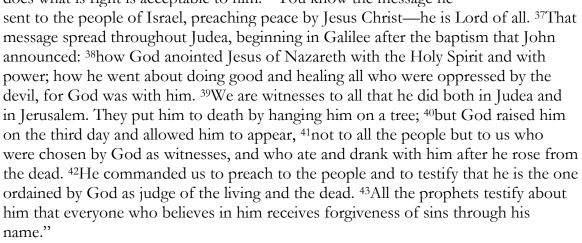
P. O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives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

Please be seated.

WORD

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "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



Word of God, word of life. C. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118

Setting by Michael Joncas



1 Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his mercy endures forever;let the house of Israel say:"His mercy endures forever." *Refrain:*





2 The Lord's right hand has struck with pow'r, the Lord's right hand is exalted; I shall not die, but live and declare the works of the Lord. *Refrain*

3 The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes! *Refrain*

Psalm Prayer

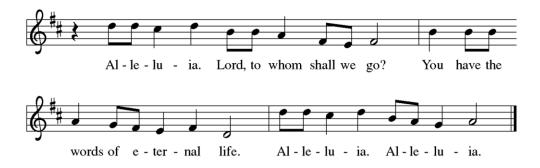
Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

¹If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Word of God, word of life. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10

P. The gospel of our Lord, according to Matthew, the 28th chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

P. The gospel of the Lord. C. Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon: Sparkling

Pastor Nancy Raabe

Please stand.

HYMN of the DAY: Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven and Voices Raise Text by Christopher Wordsworth; music by Ludwig van Beethoven, ODE TO JOY

1 Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise; sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise: he who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled, Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

2 Christ is risen, we are risen; shed upon us heavenly grace, rain, and dew, and gleams of glory from the brightness of thy face; that we, with our hearts in heaven, here on earth may fruitful be, and by angel-hands be gathered, and be ever, Lord, with thee.

3 Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high; Alleluia to the Savior, who has gained the victory; Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity; Alleluia! Alleluia! to the Triune Majesty.



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

To the petition "Merciful God" please respond, "Receive our prayer."

GREETING OF THE PEACE

Music at the Offering: In Christ Alone

Please be seated.

OFFERING

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Keith Getty & Stuart Townend, Arr. Mark Hayes

Please stand.

OFFERTORY

Grace Choir, (10:30)

Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be bless-ing. fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u of - fer now. nite them with the prayers Grace our ta-ble with your we a fore-taste of the feast pres-ence, and give us to come.





OFFERING PRAYER

A. Let us pray.

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. **C. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P. The Lord be with you.C. And also with you.P. Lift up your hearts.C. We lift them to the Lord.

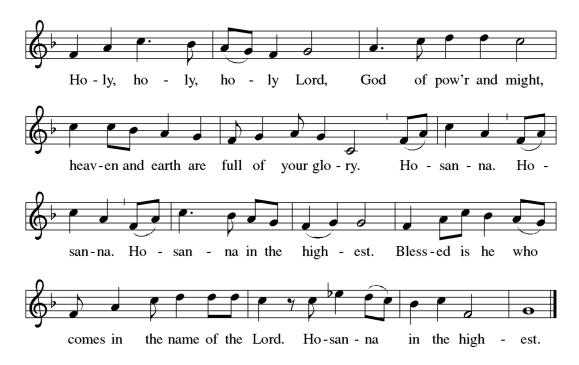
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right, 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:





In the night in which he was betrayed...

P. 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.

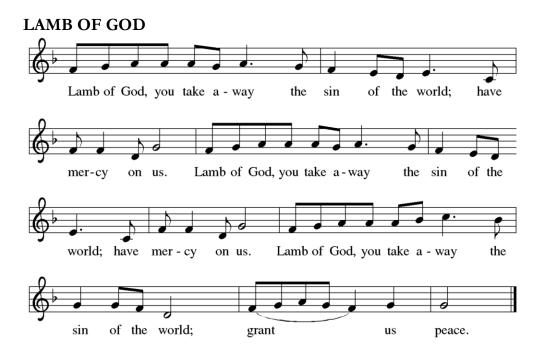
LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. **Our Father, who art in heaven...**

Invitation to Communion

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

Please be seated.



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A. Let us pray. Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

BENEDICTION

The tomb is empty, Christ has risen.

As you journey in faith, may your life be full, your love be abundant, and your hope be eternal.

Live this day and always for Christ Jesus \pm because the Risen Christ lives in you. C. Amen.



DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. Share the good news! Alleluia! C. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Fugue on "And Can it Be, That I Should Gain" Christopher Tambling



In today's worship, we hear the virtual pipe organs of St. Bartholomäus church in Friesach, Austria and St. Emmeram's Cathedral in Nitra, Slovakia. These two organs are played in combination with our Allen Digital Organ using a program called Hauptwerk Virtual Pipe Organ. The virtual organ sample sets are produced by Piotr Grabowski of Poland.

Serving today - Thank You!!

Preacher and Presider, Rev. Nancy M. Raabe Minister of Music, Kevin Freaney Lector: 8:00 am, Peggy Schmidt; 10:30 am, Richard Badman Ushers: 8:00 am, Don Capanear & Peggy Schmidt; 10:30 am, Kay Stone & Karen Heacock Communion Assistants: 8:00 am, Bruce Schmidt; 10:30 am, Frank Stone Altar Guild: 8:00 am, June Detweiler; 10:30 am, Kay Stone & Tami Sarm Crucifer: 10:30 am, Jayson Tula Acolyte: 8:00 am, Usher; 10:30 am, Cristiano Tula Coffee Hour: Bruce Schmidt, Amy Sowers Video Team: Harold Schaefer, Dan & Tami Sarm

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