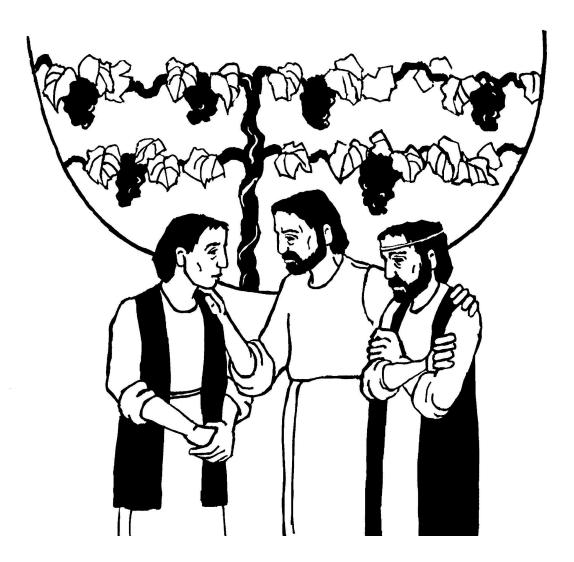
## KING OF GLORY LUTHERAN CHURCH, BOISE, IDAHO Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024



## <u>Prelude</u>

**Leader:** I welcome you to King of Glory. May this service be a blessing as we listen to the Word, sing God's praises and focus on God as we pray. Welcome!

#### <u>Welcome</u>

We welcome those in our balcony joining by Live Stream or watching a recording. You are important to us and you are a wonderful part of our worship experience.

Please know that you may want to gather a few items for worship, <u>a bulletin from our</u> <u>website, KOGlutheran.org</u>, some celebratory food like wine/juice and some bread and a lit candle, etc. for communion later on in this service.

If you have a prayer request please put it in the chat. We are grateful that you are worshiping with us.

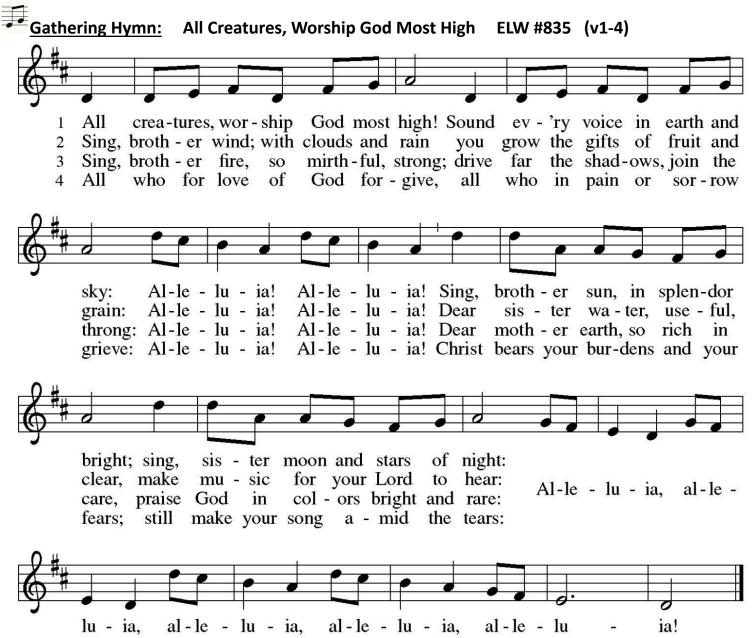
#### **Announcements**

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

Pastor: We pause in our busy lives to turn our thoughts to God and tell God of our missteps on our journey following Jesus.

Congregation: Gracious God, we acknowledge that when the going gets rough, we begin to assert ourselves and our own needs, and we pull back from community with others. Like the Israelites in the desert, we murmur and complain; we criticize and blame. In your compassion, forgive us and help us. Show us how to work toward unity in our commitment to you, even when we feel like we are having a wilderness day. We pray for your help and love through Jesus who is your beloved Son. AMEN

Pastor: The good news is actually fantastic news! We are forgiven through the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg and Ruth C. Duck, "Flames of the Spirit, pg. 32-33)



#### Greeting

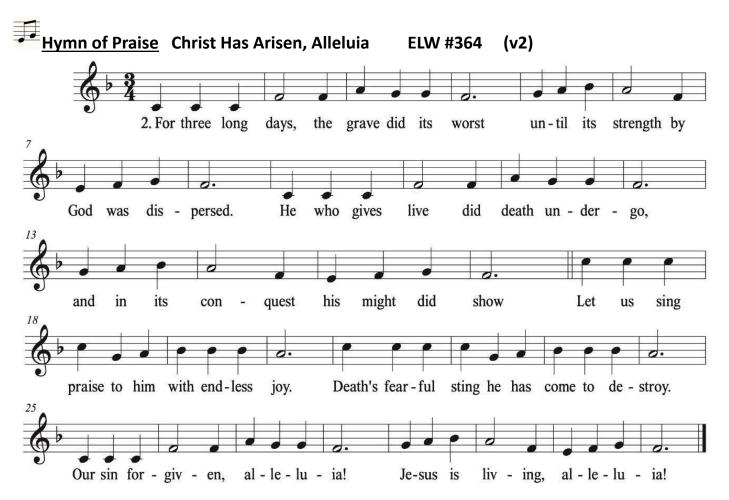
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

#### And also with you.

#### Prayer of the Day

#### Let us pray,

Jesus, you tell us abide in you and when we do this we will flourish like a branch that produces a lot of fruit. Give us confidence to focus on you and help us to stop thinking that we can do it all by ourselves. You are the vine of life for us and we need you and your love to survive and thrive. In gratitude, we pray, **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg)



#### **First Lesson**

#### Acts 8:26-40

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) <sup>27</sup> So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup> and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup> Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." <sup>30</sup> So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" <sup>31</sup> He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. <sup>32</sup> Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,

and like a lamb silent before its shearer,

so he does not open his mouth.

<sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

<sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" <sup>35</sup> Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup> As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" <sup>38</sup> He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. <sup>39</sup> When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing. <sup>40</sup> But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

## The word of the Lord Thanks be to God

# Psalm 22:25-31 Chant ELW Tone 2

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

- <sup>26</sup> The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever!
- <sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,
- and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.
- <sup>28</sup> For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.
- <sup>29</sup> To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.
- <sup>30</sup> Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord
- <sup>31</sup> and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

# Second Lesson 1 John 4:7-21

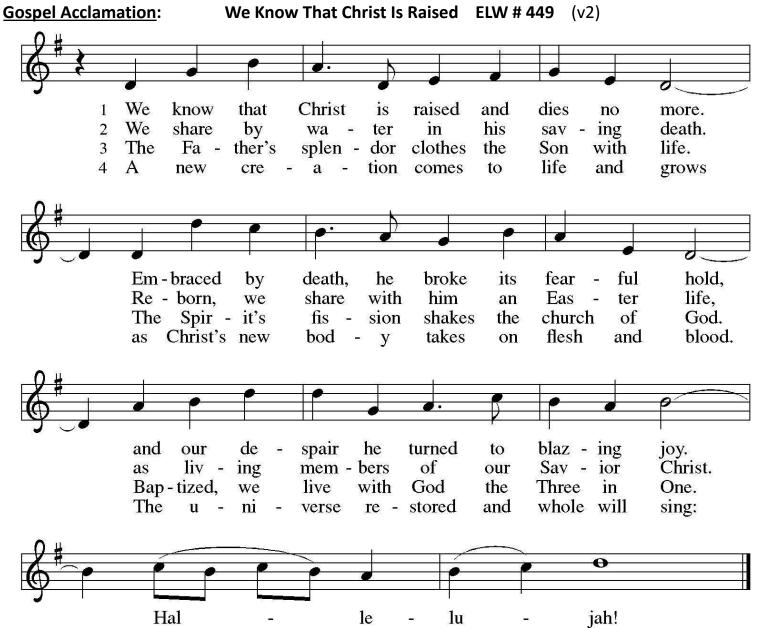
Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup> Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. <sup>9</sup> God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent God's only Son into the world so that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent God's Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us, and God's love is perfected in us.

<sup>13</sup> By this we know that we abide in God and God in us, because the Holy One has given us of God's Spirit. <sup>14</sup> And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent a Son as the Savior of the world. <sup>15</sup> God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. <sup>16</sup> So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. <sup>17</sup> Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as God is, so are we in this world. <sup>18</sup> There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. <sup>19</sup> We love because God first loved us. <sup>20</sup> Those who say, "I love God," and hate a brother or sister are liars, for those who do not love a brother or sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. <sup>21</sup> The commandment we have from God is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The word of the Lord

# Thanks be to God



## Gospel Reading John 15:1-8

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. <sup>2</sup> God removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit God prunes to make it bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Word of God, word of life.

## Thanks be to God.

Sermon - Maddie Glanz



Every Move I Make

Here we go... Na-- na-- na na na na na (3X)

Every move I make I make in You You make me move, Jesus Every breath I take I breathe in You

Every step I take I take in You You are my way, Jesus Every breath I take I breathe in You

Waves of mercy Waves of grace Everywhere I look I see Your face Your love has captured me Oh my God, this love How can it be

#### Creed -I Believe In the God of Abraham

I believe in the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the Living, the Promise

I believe in the God of Jesus of Nazareth, the deceased, the tortured, the crucified then, now, all over the world, again and again.

I believe in a God who raises the oppressed and brings the exiles home.

I believe in Jesus who gave himself for all humankind To gather all the scattered children of God together in one house. Jesus is the hope of the world.

I believe in the God of Jesus, the Risen one, the happy one, the perfect one, who we strive to emulate and obey.

I believe in the all-embracing Love, in the Spirit of peace and unitywho makes us speak the same language, who will fulfill what was promised to us. The Holy Spirit is God with us today. AMEN *(found at a church in Bruges Belgium in July 2010)* by ProgressiveChristianity.org on May 24, 2013 and Pastor Connie Winter-Eulberg

## **Intercessory Prayer**

Let us pray,

(Start in Silence. A drumbeat begins, getting louder than softer. The drumbeat tapers off into a soft background beat for the prayer.) O Steady One,

we gather in this community of worship,

aware of how we often live out of sync

with the rhythm of your heart of love.

## Realign the beat of our hearts with the steadfast truth of your word.

Guide our thoughts

with the pulse of your wisdom,

## That we might set our rhythm to the steady beat of your enduring hope.

We turn over to your healing hands -

All those who are ill and having surgery or healing from sickness.

All who are living in an unsafe environment,

All who are under paid and struggling,

All who have doubts about God and those who are confused.

Those who have questions about faith with no answers or hope.

May we be an instrument of your love and hospitality, O living One. (Drum beat regular and then - gets soft and ends) **AMEN** 

(Drum-beat Prayer for Divine Rhythm:Source unknown)

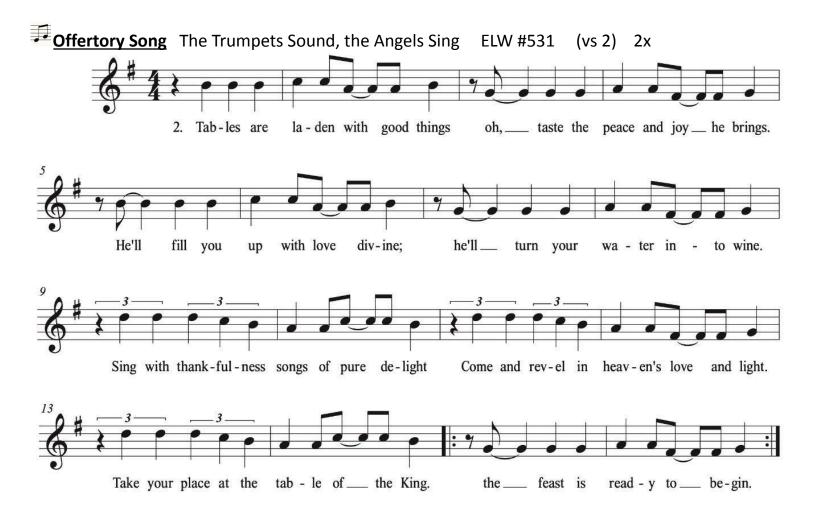
## **Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

## Offering

## Offertory Choir Anthem: Sanctuary/Create in Me



## **Offering Prayer**

## Let us pray,

Compassionate One, thank you for being our strength and guide. Reading your word and speaking to you through prayer really keeps us going even when life gets rough. You speak to us through music, through creation and through our trusted loved ones and even strangers. Gratefully, we give back to you because all people need to know about you and your love. **Amen.** (Thom Shuman)

(Congregation rises)

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

Jesus, we are grateful for this meal and those around the world who are eating this same meal as their spiritual practice to remember what you did for us. In thanksgiving and remembrance, we ask you to bless this bread and wine. We share them together with all the Churches on earth and all the saints.

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 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 in remembrance of me.

God, you reach out to us in this meal. You refresh us at your table. You supply our deepest needs. Your love knows no boundaries.

You provide us with courage and joy in the name of Jesus Christ.

May we become bread and peace for one another and for the world. **AMEN** (Flames of the Spirit pg. 105-6, edited by Connie Winter-Eulberg)

<u>Holy Holy</u> TFBF Setting 1 "River of Life" 0 ho - ly Lord, С Ho-ly, ho - ly, Lord God of pow-er and might. 0 Heav - en full of Ho and earth are your glo ry. in the high est. Bless-ed is he who san - na -0 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

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## Lord's Prayer

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

Lord's Prayer	Notre Pere
Our Father in heaven,	Notre Père, qui es aux cieux,
hallowed be your name,	Que ton nom soit sanctifié,
your kingdom come,	Que ton règne vienne, Que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme
your will be done,	au ciel.
on earth as in heaven.	Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.
Give us this day our daily bread.	Pardonne-nous nos offences
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.	Comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.	Et ne nous laisses pas entrer en tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal.
For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours,	Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, aux siècles des siècles. Amen
now and forever. AMEN	

## Invitation to the Table

**Pastor:** This is the meal. It is for all people.

Communion of the people

(There are two communion stations on either side of the baptismal font where you will receive bread. Then you can go to the right or to the left to receive wine/juice in an individual cup. You then place your empty cup in the basket by the wine/juice station.) (If gluten free please ask for a GF wafer)



## **Post Communion Prayer:**

Let us pray,

God of new life, with joy we have received this sacrament of bread and wine, giving you thanks for Jesus Christ, our peace and our hope. Unite your church throughout the world in continuing Jesus' ministry of love and servanthood, that your name may be praised in all the earth.

## AMEN

(Ruth C. Duck, "Bread for the Journey", pg. 14)



## **Benediction**

Because the tomb is empty, your life can be full. Go into every place and every day as people brimming with the love of God.

Be graceful in spirit, hopeful in word, and faithful in all that you do. The risen Christ lives in you.

Alleluia and Amen!

Amen.

## <u>Dismissal</u>

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God! French: Allez en paix. Servez le Seigneur. Dieu soit loué.

## <u>Postlude</u>

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