King of Glory Lutheran Church, Boise, Idaho Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Day March 31st, 2024



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GATHERING

Prelude Bell Choir: The Ash Grove

Welcome

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</u>, <u>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

Pastoral Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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

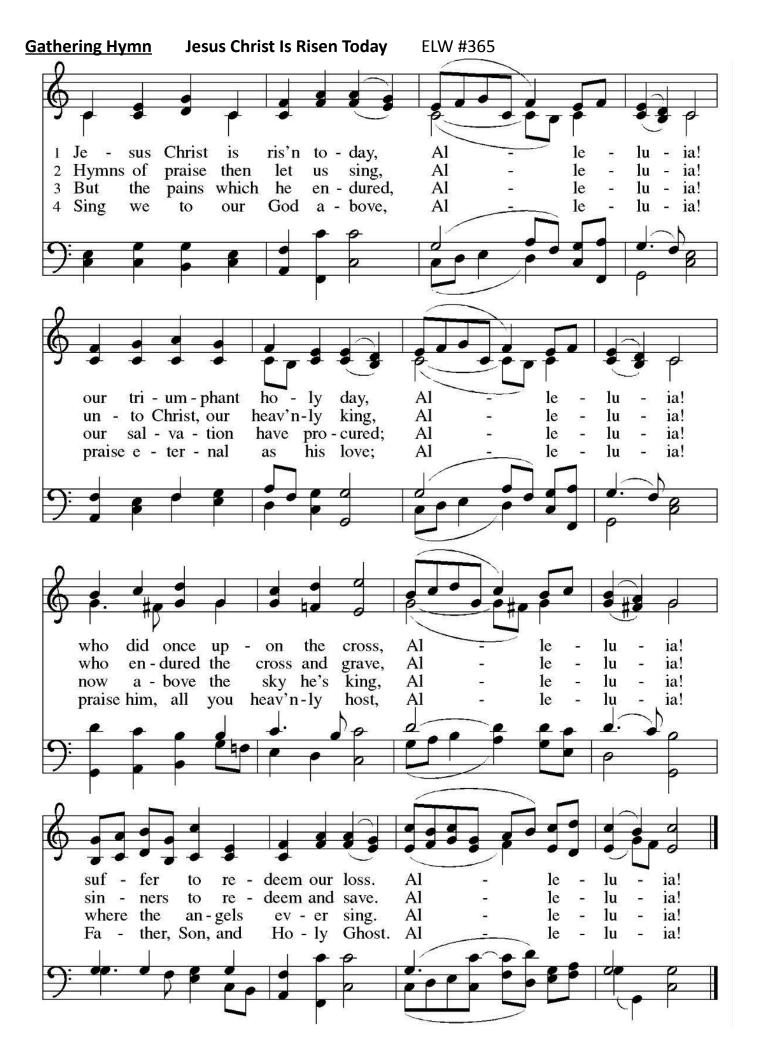
And also with you.

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

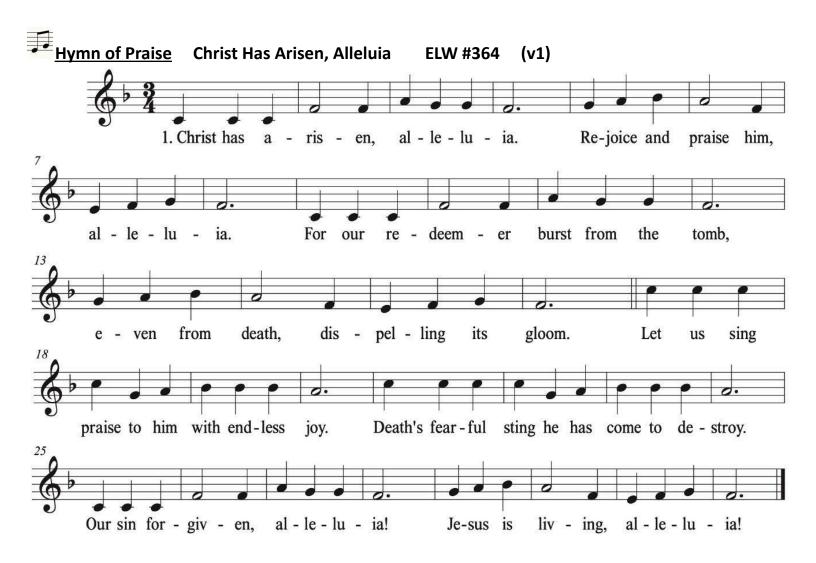
Pastor: The good news is actually fantastic news! We are forgiven through the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg and Ruth C. Duck, "Flames of the Spirit, pg. 32-33)



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,

O God of joy, we are filled with gratitude this Easter Day that the tomb is empty. We celebrate that you have delivered us from the power of death. Guide us to live each day in the joy of the resurrection. There is nothing that can separate us from your love. In the holy name of Jesus. **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg)



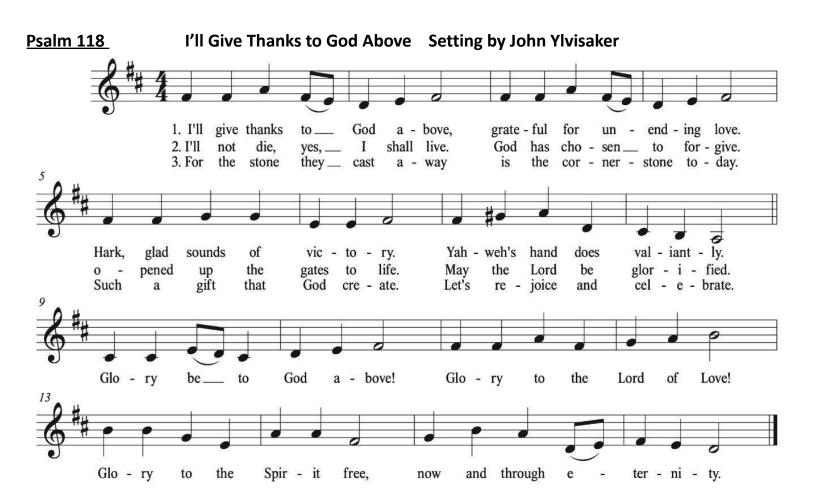
First Reading—Acts 10:34-43

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

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Choir Anthem: He Is Risen by Steve Eulberg

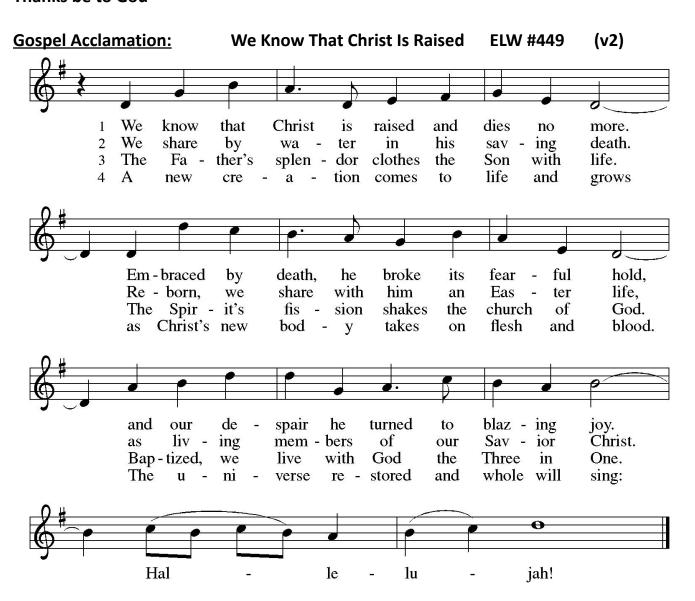


Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 The Message

- ¹⁻² Friends, let me go over the Message with you one final time—this Message that I proclaimed and that you made your own; this Message on which you took your stand and by which your life has been saved. (I'm assuming, now, that your belief was the real thing and not a passing fancy, that you're in this for good and holding fast.)
- ³⁻⁹ The first thing I did was place before you what was placed so emphatically before me: that the Messiah died for our sins, exactly as Scripture tells it; that he was buried; that he was raised from death on the third day, again exactly as Scripture says; that he presented himself alive to Peter, then to his closest followers, and later to more than five hundred of his followers all at the same time, most of them still around (although a few have since died); that he then spent time with James and the rest of those he commissioned to represent him; and that he finally presented himself alive to *me*. It was fitting that I bring up the rear. I don't deserve to be included in that inner circle, as you well know, having spent all those early years trying my best to stamp God's church right out of existence.
- ¹⁰⁻¹¹ But because God was so gracious, so very generous, here I am. And I'm not about to let his grace go to waste. Haven't I worked hard trying to do more than any of the others? Even then, my work didn't amount to all that much. It was God giving me the work to do, God giving me the energy to do it. So whether you heard it from me or from those others, it's all the same: We spoke God's truth and you entrusted your lives.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



Gospel Reading—John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."

³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in.

⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, ¹² and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.

¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Kid's Message

Sermon



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

Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray,

Gracious and Loving God, the good news of Easter is here! Jesus has risen! Let the whole world shout, Hallelujah from the homeless encampments to those experiencing God on a mountaintop and to those who have gathered in their living room watching this service online. There is fantastic news today. Jesus has conquered death. He is alive.

We thank you, God, that you continue to work miracles in our lives. Each week you roll away the stones that get in our way and block our paths. You continue to delight and surprise us by emptying tombs and making unexpected visits.

Roll away our doubts and challenge our despair with renewed hope. Help us to live joyfully and confidently, even amid the harshest realities of life.

Holy One, give us gifted teachers to share your word and your love with youth.

We lift our prayers for all who mourn, whose who are ill, who are troubled, who feel their lives lack meaning and direction. We pray for those who serve as helpers in hospitals and care facilities. Our prayers go out to those who are teachers and those serving in our military.

Teach us how to extend your love and be your healers in a hurting world. Empower us to use our gifts to spread your good news to all we meet.

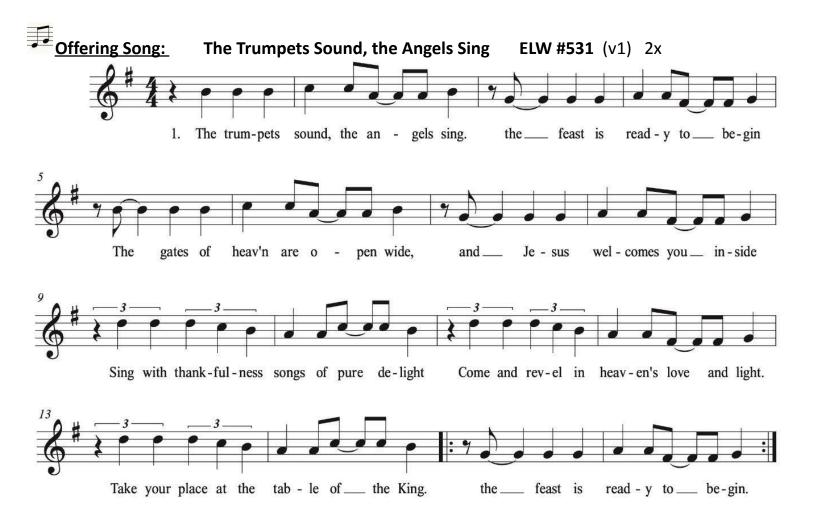
Jesus has risen! We are truly Easter people. AMEN (First Congregational Church of Christ, Elmhurt, IL and Connie Winter-Eulberg (https://elmhurstucc.org/)

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering



Offering Prayer

Let us pray,

Loving God, let the church be a place where we learn about love and practice it, where we envision peace and work to build it. Let our faith community be a place where we meet partners in faith and cherish them, where we discover our gifts and offer them. May your Spirit guide us toward joy and generosity. In the name of Jesus. **AMEN** ("Hear our Prayer", by Glen Rainsley, pg. 147 and Pastor Connie Winter-Eulberg)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

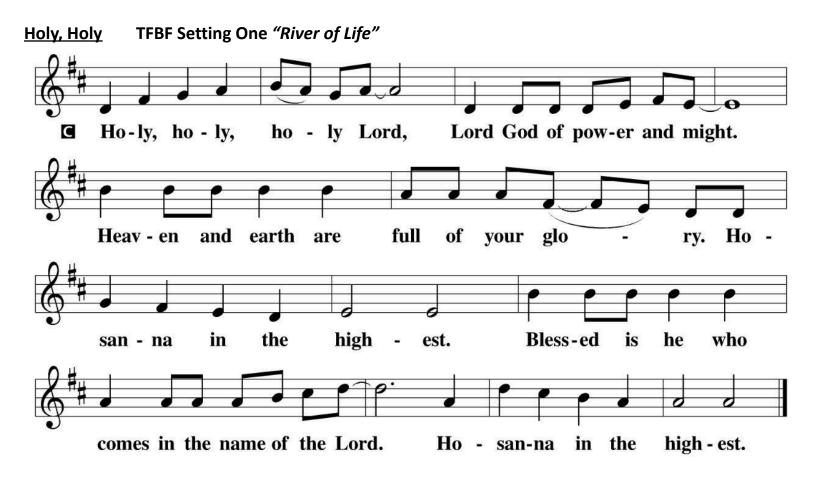
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is our duty and our delight, that we would everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you O God through Jesus Christ who by his death on the cross and glorious resurrection, broke the bonds of sin and death and gave life to all creation, and so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer

This story didn't start with Jesus. It started at creation and then re-started with Abraham and Sarah when God made a covenant with them. It continued with Isaac and Rebekah and their children Jacob and Esau as they struggled with each other. The story of God's action and movement in our lives continued with the Israelite as slaves in Egypt. God helped Moses, Aaron and Miriam get the ones who were slaves out of Egypt and towards the Promised Land. God called Prophets to be among God's people and when this plan didn't work, God sent Jesus to live among us, heal us, lead us and teach us. When his healing, feeding and teaching was too frightening for the ones in power, they had him killed. But this is not the end of the story. The story continues with an empty tomb. Jesus showed himself to his followers and ascended to heaven. This got his followers into action as they shared the story of Jesus everywhere. We are followers of Jesus as we remember his love and we eat of this meal and tell others this same story.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, blessed it, gave thanks and gave it to the disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body broken for you." Again, after supper he took the cup and gave thanks and gave it to them saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins. Drink of this in remembrance of me.

May this meal nourish you in body and mind. May you be refreshed and uplifted by remembering the great love that Jesus has for you. **AMEN**

Lord's Prayer

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

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours,

now and forever. AMEN

Notre Pere

Notre Père, qui es aux cieux, Que ton nom soit sanctifié, Que ton règne vienne, Que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel.

Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce iour.

Pardonne-nous nos offences Comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés.

Et ne nous laisses pas entrer en tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal.

Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, aux siècles des siècles. Amen

<u>Communion</u> Invitation to Table: All are invited to receive the bread and wine/juice. Jesus welcomed all. There were no guidelines besides "Take and eat. Take and drink".



Blessing: May this meal bring us closer to you, Jesus, and may this meal nourish our souls. AMEN

Post Communion Prayer

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Let us pray,

Tender Shepherd of our lives, we give you thanks for coming to us in the bread and the wine that give us nourishment like no other food on earth. Our gratitude over flows for the precious gift of Jesus. Our lives are blessed beyond compare when we eat this food in remembrance of Jesus our Savior. **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg)

Sending

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing! **ELW #393** Sending Hymn hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why stand and gaze up - on the see him now, as-cend-ing high the por-tals of the up to ris - en Christ, as-cend-ed Lord, O all praise you let earth to ac -Al-le - lu - ia! Christ, ring: Al-le - lu - ia! by a road be - fore un -Al-le - lu - ia! and Al-le - lu - ia! with his faith-ful fol-1'wers stand, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! "This Sav-ior!" thus they sky?" is the Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter sky." Je - sus you shall Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! You are, while end-less cord: as - cends un - to the throne of trod. Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty. see their his glo-rious tri-umph day!" Al-le - lu - ia! "this Al-le say, see turn - ing in great maj - es - ty."



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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.

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude





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