



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 14, 2023

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
MINNEAPOLIS

WELCOME TO ALL

*The people of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church wish to extend a special welcome to all visitors!
Please leave your name and phone number on the visitor card found in the pew.*

*We are committed to the inclusion of all people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice **open communion**, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.*

Children are full participants in this congregation's worship, educational, and community life! The Mary Martha Room is a quiet space for infants needing to nurse or to nap. For active toddlers, the Community Room has a Children's Corner with books and a table at which to play. Our ushers are ready to assist you in finding the place that best fits your family's needs.

***Accessible and all-gender restrooms** are located in the nursery on the 2nd floor and in the basement.
Single-use, all gender restrooms are located on the 1st floor.*

*For over forty years, this congregation has advocated for the **full welcome, inclusion, and equity** of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) Lutherans in all aspects of the church and the community. We invite all people into lives of authenticity, integrity, and wholeness.*

***Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins** are available. Ask an usher if you are interested.*

*Our **services are livestreamed** on Vimeo and Facebook every week. The live shot includes the main floor of the sanctuary. Our members who watch from home love to see their friends at church! If for privacy reasons you prefer not to be on camera, the balcony is outside of the camera's range.*

*If you are seeking **pastoral care**, please speak to a pastor today.*

GATHER

Sighs Too Deep For Words

Today we will be employing a liturgy titled *Sighs Too Deep For Words*. It is a collaboration of pastors, musicians, and artists intended to engage us as whole persons. At its best, liturgy empowers us to worship. This liturgy is mindful that when we worship, all of our senses, our bodies, and our imaginations are engaged personally and communally.

Like all ELCA worship liturgies it has four movements: Gathering, Word, Meal, and Sending. It employs scripture-inspired words, images, and themes intentionally to include all of God's beloved and to enlarge our conception of the God we worship, the Holy One and Holy Three.

We hope that you will experience afresh the radical hospitality of Christ and find yourself worshipping with *Sighs Too Deep For Words*. It will be an adventure!

+invites the congregation to stand

PRELUDE

Andantino

Jean Langlais

+GATHERING HYMN

This Joyful Eastertide

ELW 391

Please stand and face the cross at the rear of the sanctuary.

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



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



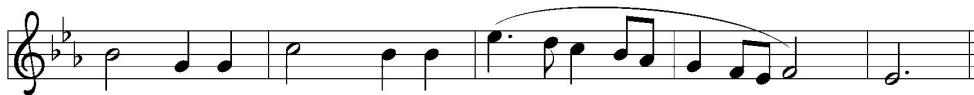
sprung to life this mor - - row.
 wake the dead in num - - ber.
 pass - ing soul de - liv - - er.

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.

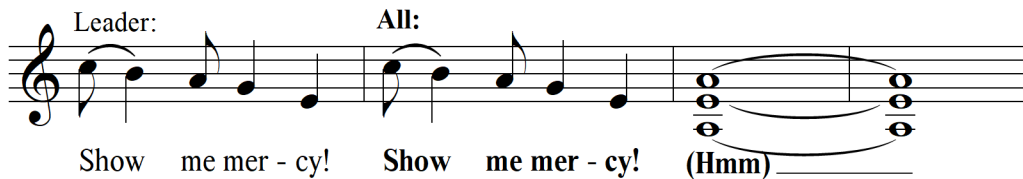
+GREETING

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

+KYRIE

The Canaanite Woman's Song

Leader: All:



Show me mer - cy! Show me mer - cy! (Hmm)

Let us kneel before God, praying: Show me mercy! **Show me mercy! Hmm**

We shout for justice! Show me mercy! **Show me mercy! Hmm**

We beg for healing! Show me mercy! **Show me mercy! Hmm**

We cry for your help! Show me mercy! **Show me mercy! Hmm**

We demand your presence! Show me mercy! **Show me mercy! Hmm**

Let us rise together.

Jesus says:

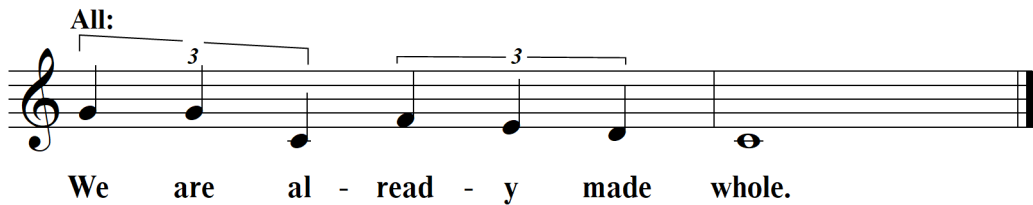
Great is your faith!

Let it be to you as you desire.

You are already made whole.

You are already made whole. (Matthew 15:21-28)

All:




We are al - read - y made whole.

+CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Mary's Song


Refrain

Leader: All: Leader: All:



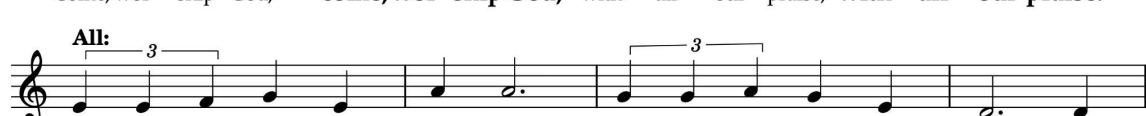
Glo - ry to God, **glo - ry to God**, with all our hearts, **with all our hearts**.

Leader: All: Leader: All:



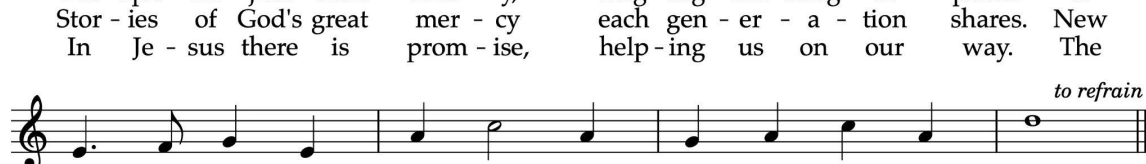
Come, wor - ship God, **come, wor - ship God**, with all our praise, **with all our praise**.

All: 3 3



Our spir - its join with Mar - y, sing - ing her song of praise to
Stor - ies of God's great mer - cy each gen - er - a - tion shares. New
In Je - sus there is prom - ise, help - ing us on our way. The

to refrain



God, whose name is ho - ly, with arms — ful - ly raised.
hope for low - ly peo - ple: we know that our God cares.
Spir - it al - ways guides us; we trust what she will say.

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

Living and gracious God, through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ you have brought us out to a spacious place where we are called to live as those redeemed. Empower us by your spirit to keep your commandments, that we may show forth your love with gentle word and reverent deed to all your people.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WELCOME

WORD

FIRST READING *Acts 17:22-31* New Testament Page 131

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Blessed are they who seek wisdom; **who treasure her ways and follow her paths.**

PSALM 66

Robert Buckley Farlee

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Refrain (First time: cantor, then **all**)



Bless our God, you peo-ples; let the sound of praise be heard.

Bless our God, you peoples; let the sounds of praise be heard.

Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip. **Refrain**

For you, O LORD, have tested us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.

You brought us into the net; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water,

but you brought us out into a place of refreshment. **Refrain**

I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows

those that I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the smoke of rams;

I will give you oxen and goats. **Refrain**

Come and listen, all you who believe, and I will tell you what God has done for me.

I called out to God with my mouth and praised the LORD with my tongue.

If I had cherished evil in my heart, the LORD would not have heard me;

but in truth God has heard me and has attended to the sound of my prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld unfailing love from me. **Refrain**

SECOND READING *1 Peter 3:13-22* New Testament Page 224

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+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

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

Breathe, O breathe, breathe up - on us, that we may live.

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

+GOSPEL READING

John 14:15-21

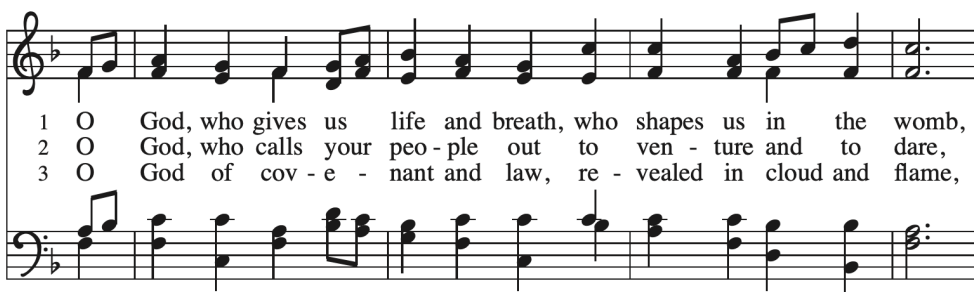
New Testament Page 103

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
Praise to you, Word of life!

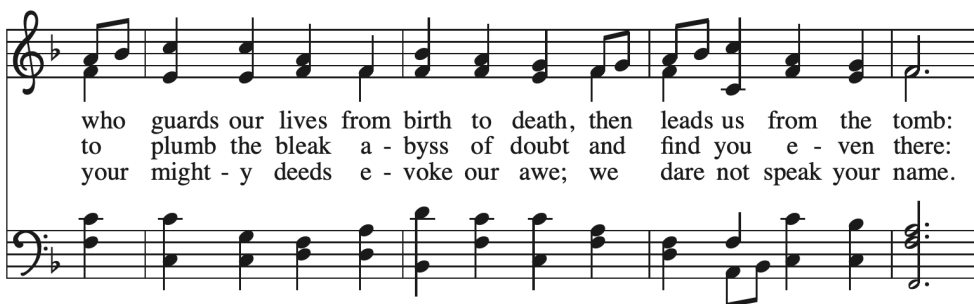
SERMON

+HYMN OF THE DAY

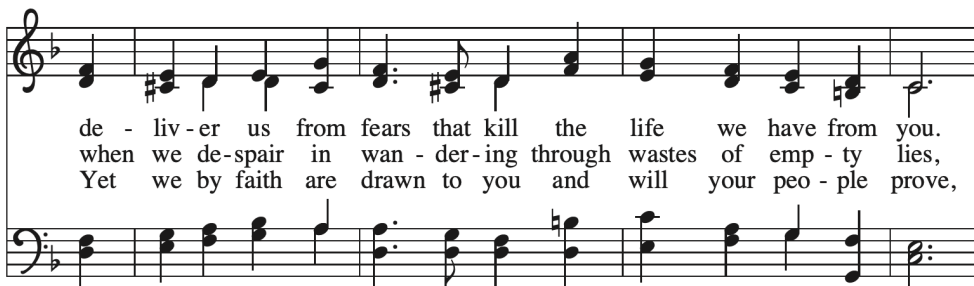
O God, Who Gives Us Life



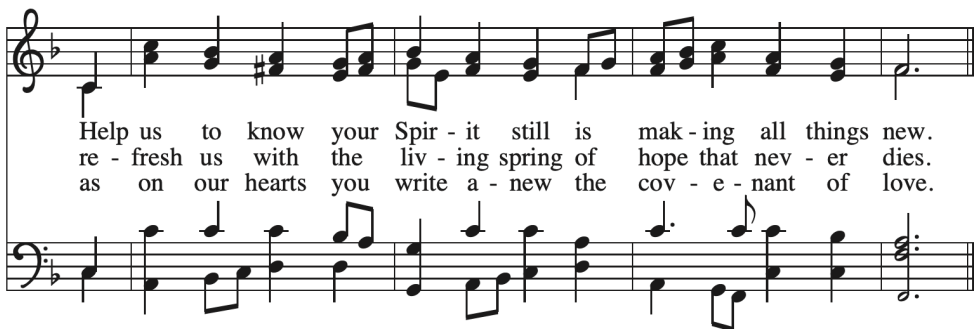
1 O God, who gives us life and breath, who shapes us in the womb,
2 O God, who calls your peo - ple out to ven - ture and to dare,
3 O God of cov - e - nant and law, re - vealed in cloud and flame,



who guards our lives from birth to death, then leads us from the tomb:
to plumb the bleak a - byss of doubt and find you e - ven there:
your might - y deeds e - voke our awe; we dare not speak your name.



de - liv - er us from fears that kill the life we have from you.
when we de - spair in wan - der - ing through wastes of emp - ty lies,
Yet we by faith are drawn to you and will your peo - ple prove,



Help us to know your Spir - it still is mak - ing all things new.
re - fresh us with the liv - ing spring of hope that nev - er dies.
as on our hearts you write a - new the cov - e - nant of love.

BLESSING OF GRATITUDE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS (11:00 A.M.)

For the wonders of your creation,

We praise you, O God.

For the opportunity to explore, study, and grow in relationship,

We praise you, O God.

For those who guide us: teachers and volunteers,

We praise you, O God.

It is our joy to pause and to affirm the leaders from this congregation who have, over the past academic year, faithfully facilitated Godly Play, Trinity Village, and Confirmation; who have committed themselves to journeying alongside our youngest, and who have continued to nurture and to pray for our congregation's youth.

These teachers and volunteers have helped this community to fulfill the promises we make to our youngest members when they are welcomed into the life of this congregation.

These leaders have helped our youngest to engage in conversations about the church's life and witness. They have opened the Holy Scriptures and wisely interpreted the stories for this time and place. They have done the hard work of connecting faith and daily life, thus acting as prophets for love, peace, and justice in the world.

Today we say thank you to all of you for your willing hearts, selfless service, curious exploration, and prophetic presence. May your witness inspire all of us to take seriously our commitment to education and inspiration for all ages. With our gratitude please receive this blessing:

We give thanks to God for your presence among us. We thank you for being faithful in your calling to teach and lead our youngest. May God bless you and keep you, may God's face shine upon you with favor, and may you have a summer of deep rest. Amen.

The congregation may celebrate these Sunday School teachers with applause!

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us profess our faith:

We believe in you, O God,
who spoke all life into being,
author of heaven and earth,
architect of time,
quilter of the cosmos.
You shape our bodies
from the dust of the ground,
and by your breath we are given life.

We believe in you, O God,
who became incarnate in Christ Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
truly divine and truly human.
You lived among us
to reveal your justice,
died among us
to break the bonds of sin and death,
and were raised among us
to bring abundant life.

We believe in you, O God,
who transforms us by the Holy Spirit,
draws us into community,
moves us to action,
and inspires us to hope against hope.
You breathe new life
into a fallen world
and equip us to proclaim
the good news of resurrecting love.

All thanks and praise to you, O God, our beginning and our end. Amen.

Assured of your unfailing presence with and in us, through the Spirit of the risen Christ, we your beloved offspring bring before you, our God, the hurts and needs of the church, the world, and our neighbors.

(silence)

God our companion, you promised that you will never leave us orphaned and on our own. Thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit who brings your love, truth, and guidance to us. Empower us as individual believers and as the body of Christ to serve as mirrors of you, reflecting and magnifying your love to the world. Give us courage to speak truth, challenge entrenched evil, and do what is right, even when we suffer for it. We, your offspring, implore you, **Hear our prayer.**

God, who created and continues to care for the world and all its creatures, we bring before you a planet ravaged by our greed, apathy, and ignorance. Move us as individuals, communities, and a global family to make bold and broad policies, programs, and actions for climate renewal and healing of our natural world priorities in the years ahead. Thank you for the leadership shown by the United Nations and its Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Move the hearts of our political and business leaders to hear and respond to their warnings. We, your offspring, implore you, **Hear our prayer.**

God, ruler and judge of all nations, violence, armed conflict, and weather disasters afflict so many. We lift up: Ukraine, resisting invasion; Ethiopia and Sudan, embroiled in bitter civil wars; the Afghan people, especially women and girls, under Taliban oppression; Somalia, Pakistan, and other countries ravaged by drought and flooding. Move us as a global community, to provide generous and lasting care and aid. We, your offspring, implore you, **Hear our prayer.**

God, whose love for us is tender, warm, and faithful, qualities long associated with motherhood, we pray for all mothers and all who provide “motherly” care for others. Console those who long to be mothers, children estranged from their mothers, those grieving the death of a mother and mothers who have lost a child. Support all for whom this day is difficult. Move us this day to embrace and give thanks for those who have blessed our lives with Your mothering love. We, your offspring, implore you, **Hear our prayer.**

“I will not leave you orphaned, I will come to you.” May that promise sustain all who are burdened by illness, anguish, grief, or suffering of any kind. Inspire us to be your hands and feet of nurture, help, and healing. Be with those whose lives have been shattered by the injury or deaths of loved ones in the unrelenting episodes of mass shootings. We also bring before you this day: the family of Scott Davies, upon his death; Tammy Wells, Karen Batdorf’s friend Katie; Sharon Clappier (Steve Murray’s aunt); Steve Murray’s grandma, Rosie Stalsberg; Dorothy Kelly; Cori Gershon; Mark Symchych; and those we name now, either silently or aloud (*the congregation may name loved ones in need of God’s care*). We, your offspring, implore you, **Hear our prayer.**

*You are invited to offer spoken petitions.
At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "We, your offspring, implore you,"
to which the congregation will respond, "**Hear our prayer.**"*

Gathered as your beloved offspring, rejoicing in the power and promise of Christ's resurrection, we offer these and all our prayers and praise to you, O God, through Jesus whose Spirit is our Advocate forever.

Amen.

MEAL

+PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always! (John 20:19, 21)

And also with you!

The people may greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

OFFERING (8:45)

Jesus Lives, the Victory's Won

setting, Kevin Kildebrand

(11:00)

Amazing Grace with Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord arr. Becki Slagle Mayo
Children's Choir

Praise, praise, praise the Lord, praise God's holy name!

Once was lost, now I'm found; praise God's holy name, Alleluia!

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now I'm found; was blind but now I see.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun.

+OFFERTORY HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

ELW 385

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.

Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might - y stone is
Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which

of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:

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

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

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

+OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, we give you praise! You freed the widow from her debt by transforming a small jar of oil into countless overflowing vessels. (2 Kings 4:1-7)

You liberate us from sin and death by the abundance at this table. Multiply these gifts and fill us with your spirit, so that we may embody Christ and enflesh your radical freedom.

Amen.

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

God is here!

The Spirit is with us!

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to our God!

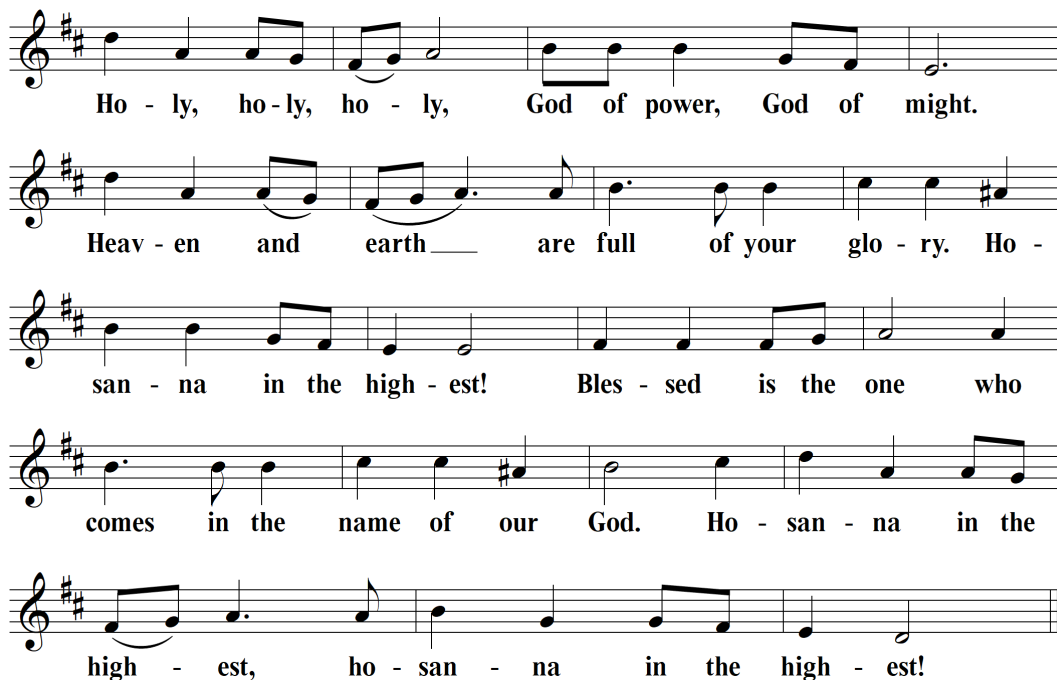
Let us give thanks to the Holy One and Holy Three!

It is right to give our thanks and praise!

And now we give you thanks because in the victory of Jesus Christ over the grave a new age has dawned, the long reign of sin is ended, a broken world is being renewed, and humanity is once again made whole.

With all heaven and earth, we shout with joy:

+SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of power, God of might.
Heav - en and earth — are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est! Bles - sed is the one who
comes in the name of our God. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

In the night in which Jesus was betrayed.... Do this for the remembrance of me. Groaning in expectation with all of creation, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Breath of God, in this bread and cup
you bring new life to your church.

Breathe on us, that we may live!

May your Spirit intercede for us with sighs too deep for words,
so that we might be made one body in Christ.

Breathe on us, that we may live!

Revive our faith, infuse us with your peace, and reveal to us your justice,
so that we might witness to the resurrection in all that we say and in all that we do.

Breathe on us, that we may live!

All thanks and praise to you, O God, Holy One and Holy Three.

Amen!

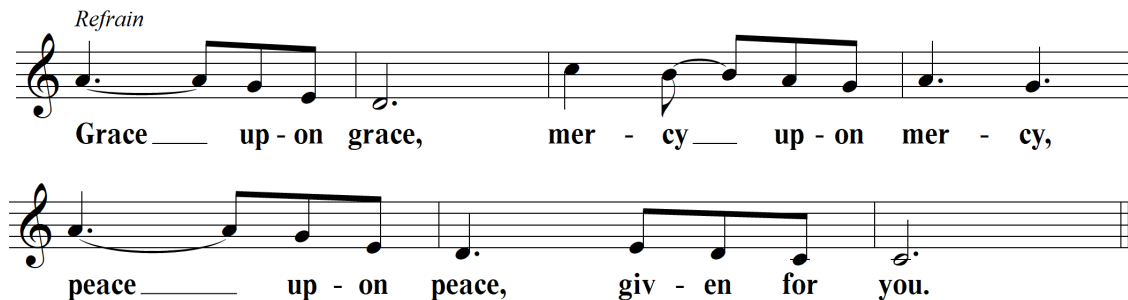
+LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together:

**Our Creator, Our Mother, Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today 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, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

+GRACE UPON GRACE

Refrain



Grace ____ up - on grace, mer - cy ____ up - on mer - cy,
peace _____ up - on peace, giv - en for you.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in treble clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain, with lyrics 'Grace ____ up - on grace, mer - cy ____ up - on mer - cy,'. The second staff contains the melody for the second line, with lyrics 'peace _____ up - on peace, giv - en for you.' The notation includes various note values, rests, and a final double bar line.

The Word made flesh dwells among us, full of grace and truth. *Refrain.*
Behold our Savior who frees us from the sin of the world. *Refrain.*

Please be seated.

COMMUNION INVITATION

All are welcome at the table. This is Christ's table where no one is a stranger. For those worshiping at home, hear these words spoken for you: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

All are welcome at the table.

Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request to the server.

An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle, where an usher will receive your communion cup.

If you wish to receive communion from your pew, please let an usher know.

HEALING STATION

Today you are also invited to receive a blessing for healing during the communion distribution time. Come if you wish to seek prayer for yourself, on behalf of someone else, or for a place in the world.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Thy Holy Wings



1 Thy ho - ly wings, O Sav - ior, spread gent - ly o - ver me,
 2 Oh, let me nes - tle near thee, with - in thy down - y breast
 3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No - ah's cleans - ing flood.



and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.
 where I will find sweet com - fort and peace with - in thy nest.
 Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.



Oh, be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place,
 Oh, close thy wings a - round me and keep me safe - ly there,
 Oh, take in - to thy keep - ing thy chil - dren great and small,



and let my ev - 'ry mo - ment be lived with - in thy grace.
 for I am but a new - born and need thy ten - der care.
 and while we sweet - ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.



1 Al - though I speak with an - gel's tongue, my faith, my
 2 For love is pa - tient, love is kind, and nev - er
 3 For now we peer at dark - ened glass; our vi - sions
 4 The gifts are man - y, the Bod - y one, and in - to



knowl - edge all sur - pass, but have no love, my gifts are
 vain with boast - ing pride; love bears all things, all things en -
 end; our tongues all cease. In part we know, in part now
 one are all bap - tized. Be - lov - ed, share one heart, one



vain as clang - ing gong or blar - ing brass.
 dures. All things must end; love will a - bide.
 see: then we will see love face to face.
 mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

+BLESSING

May the deep breath of God revive you with joy, infuse you with peace, and fill you with hope.
Amen.

+POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.
 Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.
Amen.

SENDING

+SENDING SONG

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the
sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to
tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your
his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful
lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of
foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you
vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus
ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our
sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the
en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on
Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?
songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

+BENEDICTION

The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

Amen.

+DISMISSAL

Go in peace! You are already made whole.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

This Joyful Eastertide

Setting, Emma Lou Diemer

*You are invited to the Community Room
(located at the rear of the worship area) for a time of conversation and refreshments.*

"This Joyful Eastertide" Text: George R. Woodward, 1848-1934. Music: VRUECHTEN, Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.

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*"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt. Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887
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LITURGY SETTING TODAY: *SIGHS TOO DEEP FOR WORDS*

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

| 8:45 AM | | 11:00 AM |
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| Doug Mork | Preacher | Doug Mork |
| Ingrid Rasmussen | Presiding Minister | Ingrid Rasmussen |
| | Crucifer | Katie Schroeder |
| Stephanie Sulzbach | Cantor | Stephanie Sulzbach |
| Rick Liedholm | Assisting Minister | Kris Christians |
| Andrea Hansen, Keith Olstad, Amy Froiland-Parada | Communion | Roberta Shaw, Kari Kleven, Bryan Kuzel |
| David Broberg, Chris Engen, Sally and David Kohlstedt | Ushers | Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson, Chris Amundson, Joy Nelson |
| Libby and Keith Olstad | Altar Guild | Roberta Shaw, Doris Gbala |
| Jean Swanson, Kevin Proescholdt | Coffee Servers | Josef Fortier, Liz Kelley |
| Chris Engen, Annie Hines | Counters | Deb Helmelm, Wayne Vetter |
| | Closer | Bob Hulteen |

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Phil Radtke, *Cantor*
Kaia Ellis, *Financial Administrator*

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Erik Gerhardt, *Accompanist*
Dennis Nordholm, *Custodian*
Logan Olson, *Gloria Ringers Director*

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Allison Johnson Heist, *Council President*
Gretchen Lund, *Council Vice President*
Erin Henry, *Council Secretary*
Katie Schroeder, *Council Treasurer*

P A R I S H I N F O R M A T I O N

CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND GLORIA RINGERS PERFORMANCE MAY 17

Holy Trinity Children's Choir, led by Phil Radtke, and the Gloria Ringers Handbell Ensemble, led by Logan Olson, will perform Wednesday, May 17, 6:00 p.m. at Lake Johanna Shores (3200 Lake Johanna Blvd, Arden Hills, Minnesota). The concert is free and open to the public.

PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

Do you like to write? Would you like to write prayers for Sunday worship? Please call the office (612-729-8358) or email Sue Roberts ([httoffice@htlcmpls.org](mailto:htoffice@htlcmpls.org)) if you would like to be added to the list of prayer writers.

KNITTING DURING WORSHIP

You may see knitters in the pews working on prayer shawls. These shawls are distributed to persons in the congregation by the clergy as a way of sharing love and caring at special times. They have been given to high school graduates and to those who experience loss or health problems. If you are interested in joining the knitters, they meet the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. at the church. Questions? Contact Liz Blood or any of the knitters.

NEW DINNERWARE AND FLATWARE AT HOLY TRINITY

After much discussion, the dinnerware/flatware committee (Sandy Hoverson, Carol Johnson, and Sue Roberts) has procured new flatware and plates for Holy Trinity. One goal was to find something lighter and less bulky than the previous china plates. We chose two sizes of Corelle plates—dinner and salad. The plates stack well, they're easy to carry, they are nearly unbreakable, and they are manufactured in the United States. The all-white plate will work with nearly every color placemat or tablecloth.

- The flatware is Oneida Lonsdale stainless steel. It was chosen for its clean, smooth lines and comfort when holding. It replaces mismatched flatware that was given to the Lutheran Social Services Refugee Relief program.
- The new cups are 8-oz. glass cups from Ikea. The cups are small enough to fit in our existing cup racks. They will not show coffee stains. And they will coordinate with any placemat or tablecloth on a set table.
- In addition to dinnerware, you will see new flower vases from Ikea (replacing old mismatched vases) and new coffee thermal pots.

Stop in the Community Room on Sunday to see a display of the new items, prepared by Sandy Hoverson.

P A R I S H S C H E D U L E

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| Monday, May 15 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Adult Choir Rehearsal |
| Tuesday, May 16 | 11:00 AM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM | Worship Readings Discussion Executive Council Church Council |
| Wednesday, May 17 | 6:00 PM | Children's Choir and Gloria Ringers at Johanna Shores |
| Thursday, May 18 | 8:00 AM | Encore! at Turtle Bread |
| Friday, May 19 | 9:00 AM | Spiritual Companion Group |
| Sunday, May 21 | 8:45 AM 10:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 2:00 PM | Worship Service of Holy Communion Adult Forum Open Gym Time Worship Service of Holy Communion Swahili Service |

ADULT FORUM

10:00 a.m. each Sunday in the Library

TODAY **"Report from Tennessee and Alabama"**

Participants who were on the recent trip to Civil Rights sites in Tennessee and Alabama will reflect on their experience.

May 21 **"Guns, God, and Prayer"**

Randy Nelson

Conversation among ourselves about what we believe.

NEW SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS MAY 28

Between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend, the 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship services will join together for one service at 10:00 a.m. The summer season affords us the opportunity to see and to connect with members and friends from "the other service."