

**Resurrection of our Lord**

**April 5, 2026**

## **We hope you feel welcome here.**

St. Thomas Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered community that lives, shares, and celebrates God's grace with all people!

As disciples of Christ who value the faith, gifts, and ministry of all God's people, and who seek justice, racial equity, and reconciliation, we welcome all God's children to an inclusive community. This welcome is extended without exception and regardless of sex, race, national origin, educational background, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, physical and mental ability, age, or economic condition.

## **We hope you can participate fully in worship.**

Today's worship service is printed in this bulletin; the hymns are found in the back third of the red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) or purple *All Creation Sings* (ACS) found under the seat in front of you. Places to stand are marked with \* and to respond are indicated with bold type. Please sit, stand, and move as you need to be comfortable. Use a blue chair with arms or move orange chairs to accommodate mobility needs. Assisted hearing devices and large-print worship aids are available on the Worship Aids column in the narthex.

Our youngest worshipers may appreciate the Prayer Pond in the worship space or listening to the service from our unstaffed nursery. Activity bags and children's bulletins are available on the Worship Aids column in the narthex.

**We hope you know Holy Communion is for you.**

At communion, everyone is welcome. This includes doubters, young children, and folks who have yearned for this feast. Come forward at the direction of an usher and receive hand-torn bread or gluten-free wafers and pink wine or red grape juice. If you have mobility limitations, please take the closest available place at the altar, or ask an usher for Communion to be brought to you at your seat.

**We hope you know our welcome extends beyond our building.**

Gifts placed in the offering plate during the worship service contribute to this mission. Today's 8:30 a.m. service is livestreamed. By attending this service, you are giving permission to be in the video we produce.

**We hope you know we pray for you.**

We would love to pray for the concerns of your heart during this service. Prayer request slips are located on the table near the main doors.

## + GATHERING +

### PRELUDE

Marche Héroïque

Georg Philipp Telemann

### \*INVOCATION

*Shared with great joy several times:*

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

# \*ENTRANCE HYMN

## Jesus Christ is Risen Today

ELW#365

*During the processional, the congregation turns to face the cross as it passes.*

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!

## \*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

*Refrain*

Assisting minister

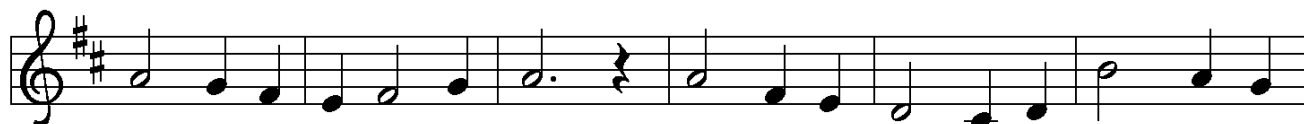


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

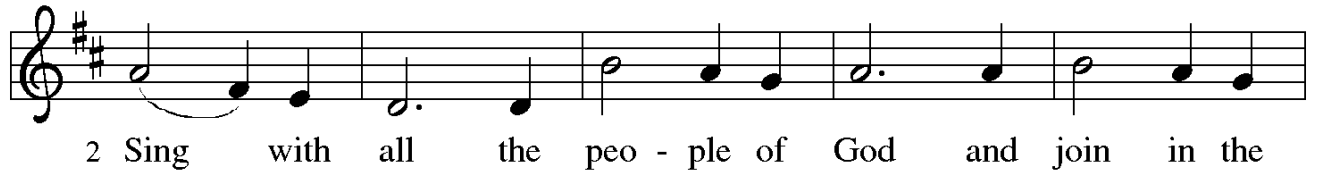


strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



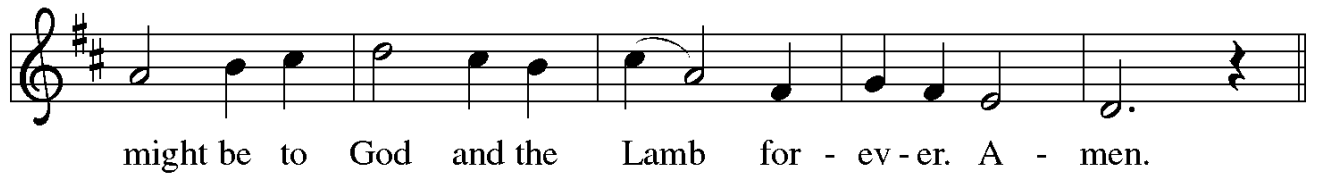
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

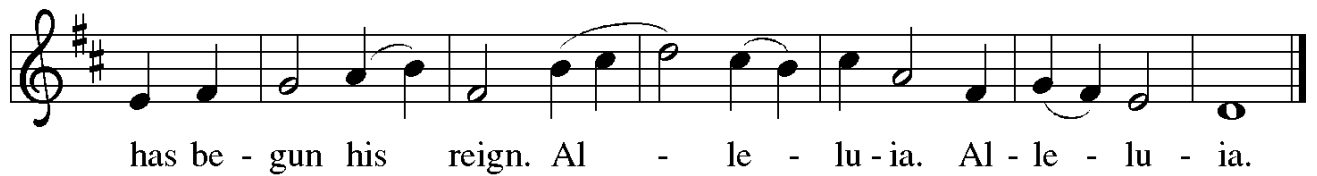


might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



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

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Creator of the universe, you made the world in beauty, and restore all things in glory through the victory of Jesus Christ. We pray that, wherever your image is still disfigured by poverty, sickness, selfishness, war and greed, your new creation may appear in justice, love, and peace, to the glory of you name and through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**+WORD+**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pr. Lecia Beck

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:1-6

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord:

The people who survived the sword

found grace in the wilderness;

when Israel sought for rest,

the Lord appeared to Israel from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
therefore I have continued my faithfulness  
to you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built,  
O virgin Israel!

Again you shall adorn yourself with your  
tambourines  
and go forth in the dance of the  
merrymakers.

Again you shall plant vineyards  
on the mountains of Samaria;  
the planters shall plant  
and shall enjoy the fruit.

For there shall be a day when sentinels will call  
in the hill country of Ephraim:

“Come, let us go up to Zion,  
to the Lord our God.”

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



"This is the gate of the LORD;  
here the righteous may enter."

**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and you have become my salvation.**

The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

**By the LORD has this been done;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

## SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

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

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## \*HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

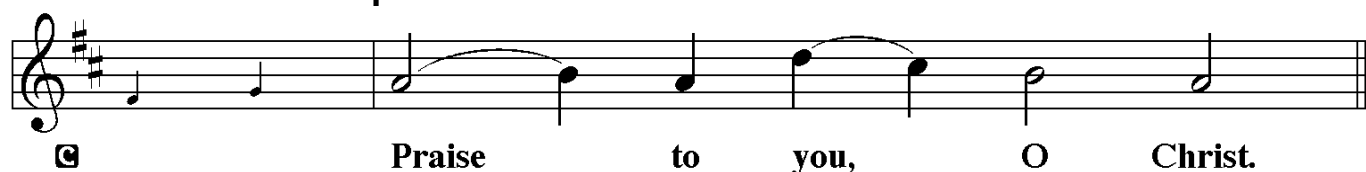


Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And 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. The angel's appearance was like lightning and its clothing white as snow. For fear of the angel the guards shook and became like dead people. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been

raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then 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." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my siblings to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

P: The Gospel of our Lord!



SERMON

Pr. Adrienne Meier

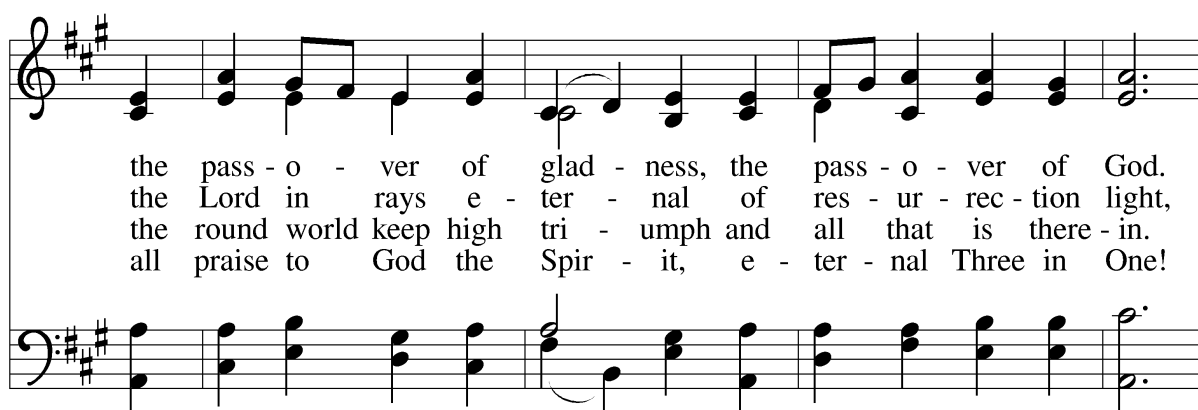
# \*HYMN OF THE DAY

## The Day of Resurrection!

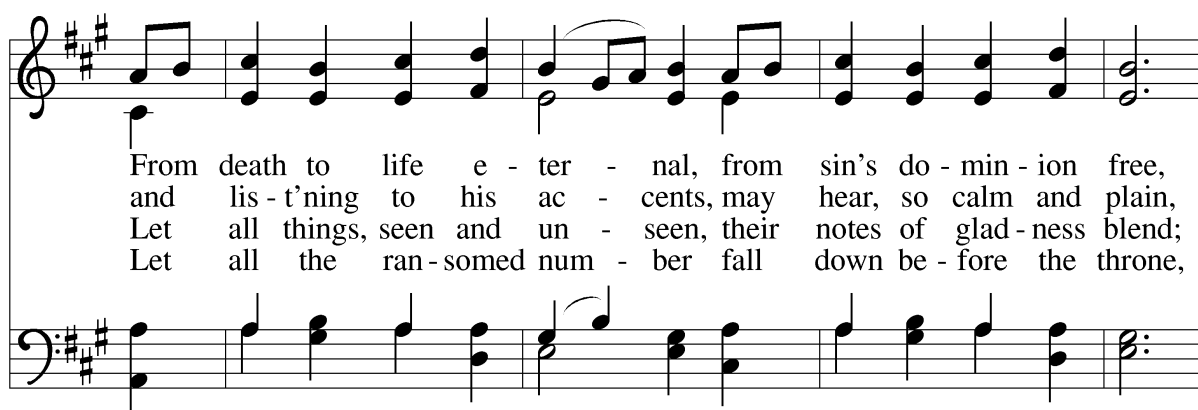
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1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,  
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right  
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin,  
4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, all praise to Christ the Son,



the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.  
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,  
the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.  
all praise to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,  
and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend;  
Let all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,



our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the glad re - frain.  
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end!  
and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone!

**\*NICENE CREED**

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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

A: Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

*A brief silence.*

A: Radiant, Eternal God, the joyful Alleluias we are singing today celebrate that we are free from the reign of death. Open our hearts today to receive the love of Christ more deeply. Help us to honor all of humanity as fellow-citizens of your kin-dom of justice and compassion. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Radiant, Eternal God, we bless you for the abundance of springtime, for birdsong, for blossoming trees, for your power to renew made visible to us. Deepen our love for your gift of this intricate planet. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Radiant, Eternal God, grant to the leaders of the nations humility, mercy, and a heartfelt intention to resolve their conflicts. Strengthen the hands of all who work for peace. Give courage to all servants of your justice. Cure us of our reliance on violence and coercion. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Compassionate Healer, we pray for those who are ill especially Scott, Helen, Bob, David, Gloria, John, Leslie, Lynn, Dallis, Doug, Yvonne, Kent, and Mark. Be near to those who endure constant pain and to those who stand at the doorway of death. Help us to embody your love for others through our words, our caring, and our prayers. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Lover of souls, we entrust to you all our beloved dead. We pray also for victims of armed conflict who are dying unprepared, unnamed, and unhonored. Help us to serve your peace and practice your Resurrection. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Radiant, Eternal God, we offer you our doubt and fear, our grief and anger, our sore and anxious hearts. Embrace us, heal us, and shape this congregation to do your will and purpose in the world. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**C: Amen.**

#### \*SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*Share the peace with a wave, a bow, or maybe an elbow, checking in with your neighbor for whatever feels safe and conveys the spirit of peace and reconciliation this ritual intends.*

## OFFERING

*Please sign and pass the **Together In Community pads**. Make note of the names of your neighbors so you can introduce yourself after the service.*



*An offering is collected as a grateful response for all of God's gifts. Gifts support St. Thomas's mission of living, sharing, and celebrating God's grace with all people. A portion of our offerings support Lutheran Campus Ministries at IU/Rose House and many local, national, and international ministry partners. **You may place gifts in the offering plate as it reaches you or give on our website, [stlconline.org](http://stlconline.org) (the QR code above on the right will direct you).***



*Use the QR code on the left to add your volunteer hours to our 5000-hour challenge.*

## CHOIR ANTHEM

An Anthem for Easter

William Billings

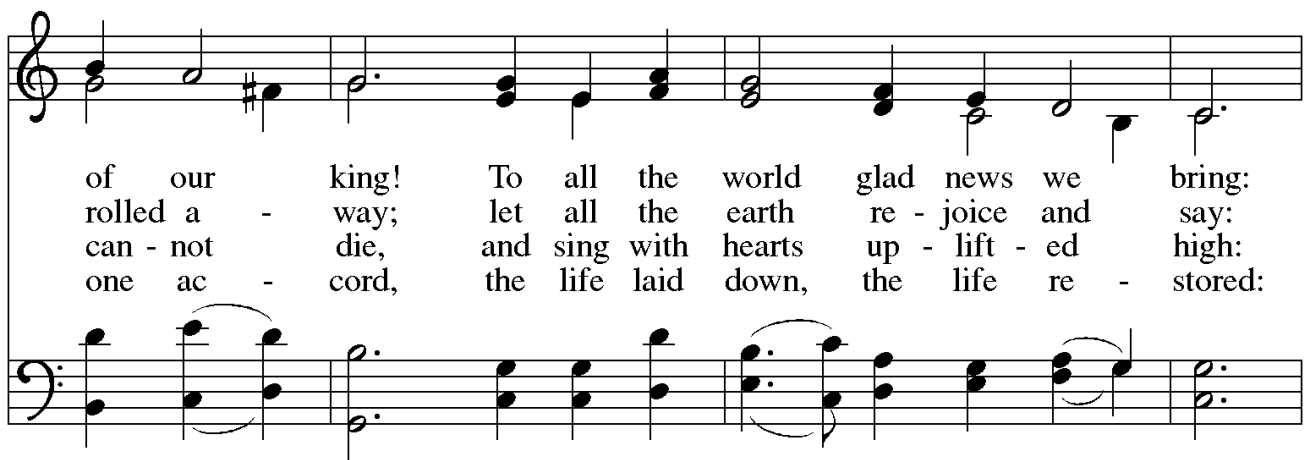
# \*OFFERTORY HYMN

## Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

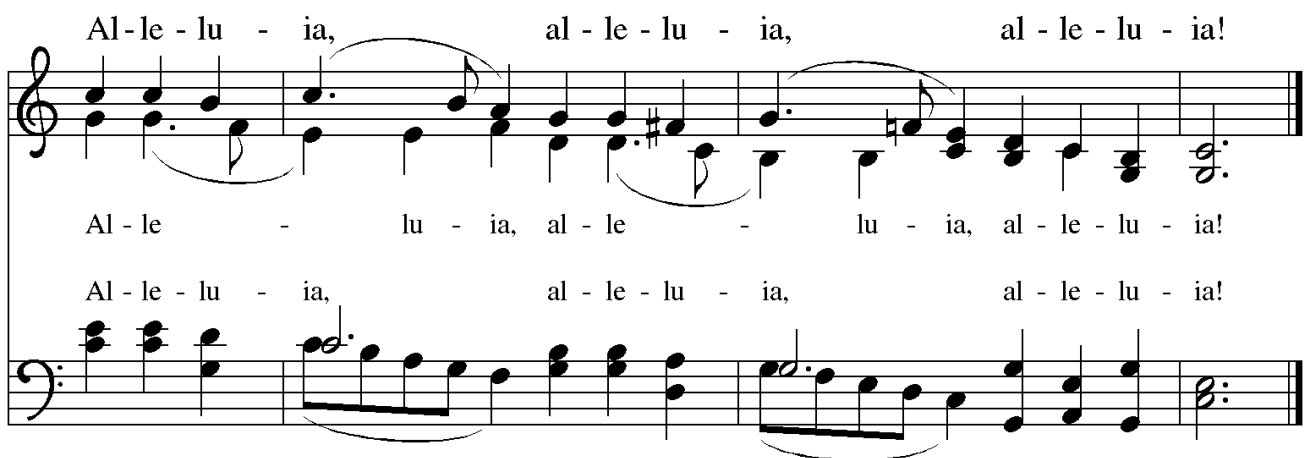
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1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph  
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might - y stone is  
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which  
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and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



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:  
one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



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!

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.

Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpius, 1570–1615

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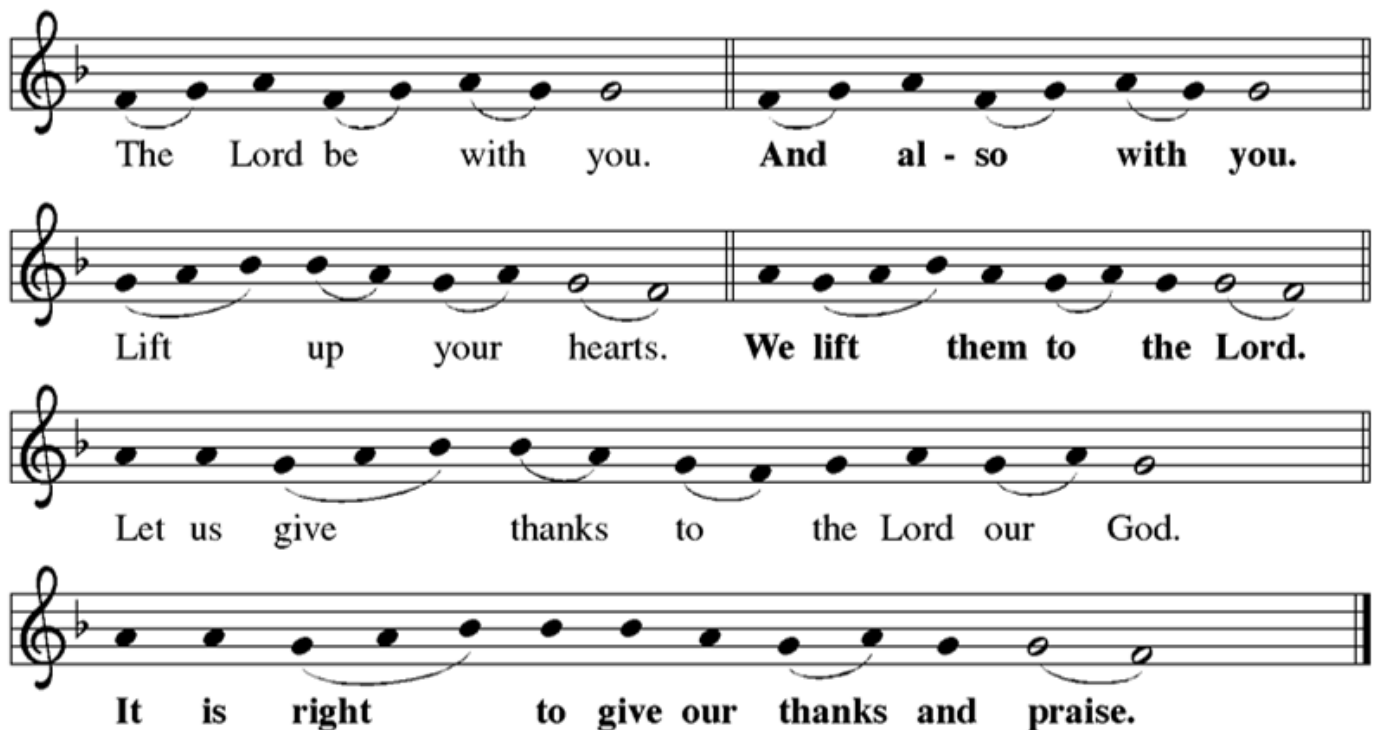
## \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus,

**C: Amen.**

## + MEAL +

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



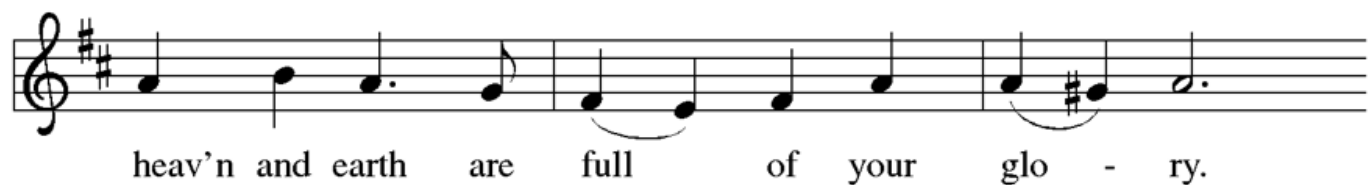
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.

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:



## \*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: O God triune, how majestic is your name in all the earth. Over the eons your merciful might evolved our home, a fragile tree of life. Here by your wisdom are both life and death, growth and decay, the nest and the hunt, sunshine and storm, darkness and light. Sustained by these wonders, we creatures of dust join in the ancient song: The earth is full of your glory.

**C: The earth is full of your glory.**

P: O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer. In Christ you bring life from death; we remember his cross, we laud his resurrection. Broken like bread, he enlivens our body. Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with goodness. Receiving this mystery, we mortals sing our song: The earth is full of your glory.

**C: The earth is full of your glory.**

P: We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth.

P: 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.

P: 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.

P: Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song: The earth is full of your glory.

**C: The earth is full of your glory.**

P: O God triune, you create the worlds, you uphold the living, you embrace the dead. Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. Strengthen us for our journey with this meal, the body and blood of Christ. Give us a future that trusts in you and cares for your earth. Empowered by your promises, we rise from our deaths to praise you again: The earth is full of your glory.

**C: The earth is full of your glory.**

P: Amen, and amen.

**C: Amen, and amen.**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

*Speak this prayer in your preferred language.  
The pastor will continue when all versions are  
complete. Ukrainian is provided on the next  
page.*

**C: 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.**

Otche nash, shcho yesi na nebesakh,  
nekhai sviatit'sia Im'ia Tvoie.  
Khai priide Tsarstvo Tvoie,  
nekhai bude volia Tvoia  
Yak na nebi, tak i na zemli.  
Khlib nash nasushchnyi dai nam s'ohodni.  
I prosty nam provyny nashi,  
yak i my proshchaiemo vynuvsiam nashym.  
I ne vvedy nas u spokusu,  
ale vyzvoly nas vid lukavoho.  
Bo Tvoie ye Tsarstvo, i sila, i slava naviky.  
Amin'.

#### \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

*We believe that God is our host and that all people are welcome to this feast of grace, community, and forgiveness. Come forward at the direction of an usher, and receive bread or gluten-free wafer and wine in a common chalice or pink wine and red grape juice in individual cups. If you wish to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

# LAMB OF GOD



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, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*(on following pages)*

Christ the Lord is Risen Today!

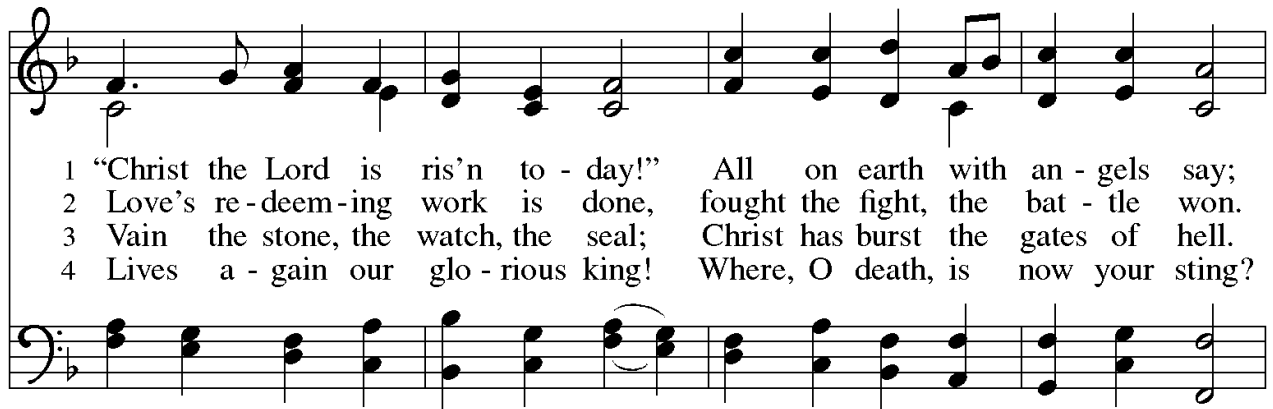
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Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

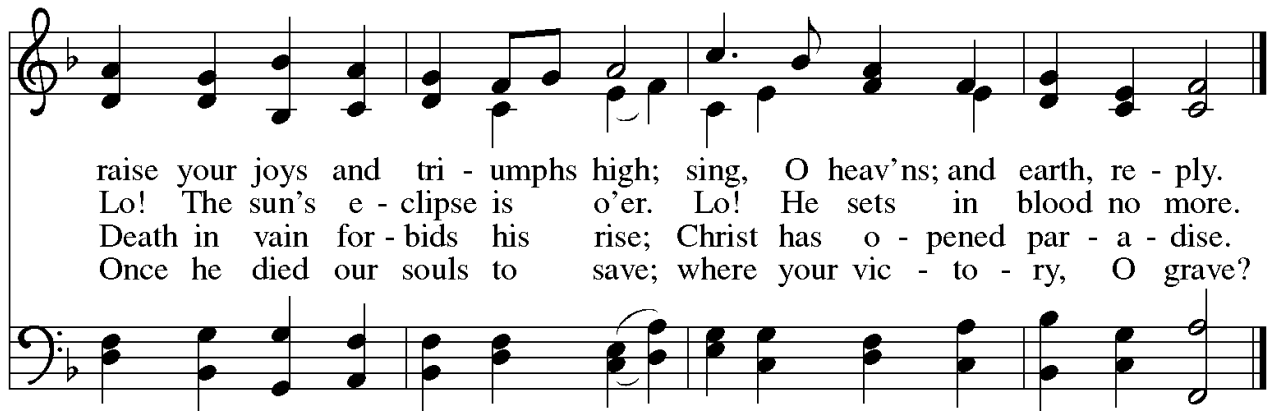
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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia! ELW#369

# Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!



1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" All on earth with an - gels say;  
2 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.  
3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell.  
4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious king! Where, O death, is now your sting?



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; sing, O heav'ns; and earth, re - ply.  
Lo! The sun's e - clipse is o'er. Lo! He sets in blood no more.  
Death in vain for - bids his rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.  
Once he died our souls to save; where your vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!  
Praise to thee by both be giv'n.  
Thee we greet triumphant now;  
hail, the resurrection, thou!

6 King of glory, soul of bliss,  
everlasting life is this:  
thee to know, thy pow'r to prove,  
thus to sing, and thus to love!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

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# Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

*Mfurahini, haleluya*

M - fu - ra - hi - ni, ha - le - lu - ya,  
1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.  
2 For three long days the grave did its worst  
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear.

m - ko - mbo - zi a - me - fu - fu - ka.  
Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.  
un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.  
You look for Je - sus who is not here.

A - me - fu - fu - ka, ha - le - lu - ya,  
For our re - deem - er burst from the tomb,  
He who gives life did death un - der - go,  
See for your - selves the tomb is all bare.

m - si - fu - ni sa - sa yu ha - i.  
e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.  
and in its con - quest his might did show.  
On - ly the grave - clothes are ly - ing there."

*Refrain*

*Tu - mwi - mbi - e so - te kwa fu - ra - ha.*  
 Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy.

*Ye - su a - me - to - ka ka - bu - ri - ni.*  
 Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.

*Ka - shi - nda ki - fo, ha - le - lu - ya;*  
 Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

*ha - le - lu - ya, Ye - su yu ha - i.*  
 Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

- 4 “Go spread the news: he’s not in the grave. He has arisen this world to save. Jesus’ redeeming labors are done. Even the battle with sin is won.” *Refrain*
- 5 Christ has arisen to set us free. Alleluia, to him praises be. Jesus is living! Let us all sing; he reigns triumphant, heavenly king. *Refrain*

# Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!

1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Chris - tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!

Chris - tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!

of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!

at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

**\*EUCCHARISTIC BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**C: Amen.**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Let us pray. Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

**C: Amen.**

## + SENDING +

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE

P: Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### \*BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

# \*SENDING HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds ELW#367

*During the recessional, the congregation turns to face the cross as it passes.*



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds  
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,  
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;  
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has  
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has  
set heart and will on things a - bove that we  
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of  
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he  
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -  
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all  
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly  
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



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

\*DISMISSAL

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

A: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Woo-hoo!\***

POSTLUDE

Fugue in C Major, BWV 545b

J. S. Bach

*We depart in peace to continue our worship  
in lives of witness to Christ's love in  
work, play, service, and care for creation.*

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\**Woo-hoo* is a word of great joy, a modern way of saying "Alleluia!"

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### **Connect with St. Thomas**

St. Thomas is a Christ-centered community that lives, shares, and celebrates God's grace with all\* people.

\* all means ***all***.

You are always welcome to worship with us  
Sundays at 8:30 a.m. or 11 a.m.

Connect with us on Facebook.  
Sign up to receive our newsletter and support our ministry  
on our website, [stlconline.org](http://stlconline.org).

*Yours is the day, yours also the night;  
you established the moon and the sun. — Psalm 74:16*

# Evening Prayer

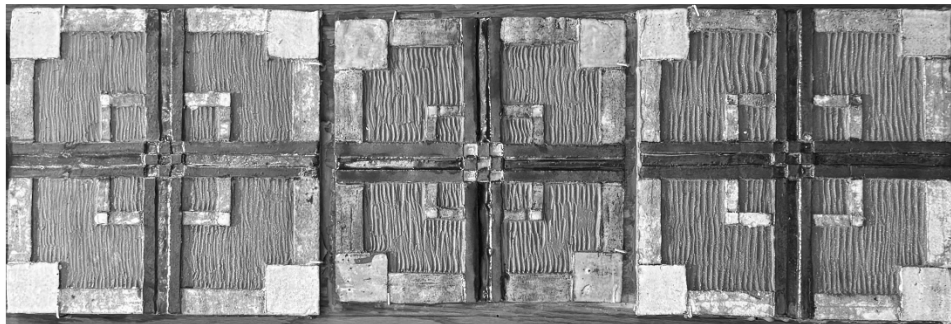
*A worship service with prayers, psalms, hymns, and holy silence.  
The adult choir and musicians from the Jacobs School of Music  
will offer sacred music by Grieg, Brahms, Christiansen, and Kallman.  
The public is warmly invited. A reception will follow the service.*

The Rev. Adrienne Meier and the Rev. Lecia Beck, Presiding Ministers  
Benjamin Wegner, Choir Director  
Matthew Benkert, Organist and Director of Music

Sunday, May 3 at 4:00 p.m.

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# “At the Table”

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**Vacation Bible School**  
for students entering K-5<sup>th</sup> grade

**Servant Camp**  
for students entering 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade

**St Thomas Lutheran Church**

May 26-28, 2026

9:00am - 3:00pm

\$25/student (\$65/family max)

lunch provided



**Sunday, April 12, 3 p.m.**

**The Easter Lilies for today's service  
were provided by**

Dean & Sandy Arnold, Robert & Dawn Brunner,  
Lynn Coyne, the Garl family,  
John & Amy Poehlman, Vicki Polansky,  
Carol Seaman, Gail Seegert, Kris Stewart,  
Nancy Woolery, Kathy Zellers,  
and Lynne Rohlfing in memory of her mother,  
Karen Rohlfing.

**The altar flowers this week are given**  
by David Ellies with thanksgiving and love  
for the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ  
and  
by Pastor Adrienne in gratitude for  
the St. Thomas Lutheran Church staff.

## **Prayers for those with health and safety concerns**

Scott O'Reilly, Helen Kane, Bob Osborn, David Ellies, Gloria Hitchcock, John Kinzer, Leslie Main, Lynn Weddle, Dallis Fox-Nagal, Doug Bauder, Yvonne Leber, Kent Unger, and Mark Wilkes.

Contact the church office for inclusion in this list of concerns and to be included in the Sunday prayers.

A separate, confidential prayer chain is also available. Contact **Susan Colston** at [skcolston@aol.com](mailto:skcolston@aol.com) to join the prayer chain or make a request for prayer.

## **Today's Worship Leaders**

Altar Care: Mary Sasse, Jennifer Garl, Haley Hatton

Bread/Wine: Allison Ward

Flower Guild: Carol Seaman

Prayer Writer: Pamela Smith

A/V Tech: Johnathan Frank

## **Brass Quartet**

Trumpets: Avery Fuller, Carter O'Brien

Horn: Kari Esarey

Trombone: Eli Brauner

## **8:30 a.m. service**

Assisting Minister: Mike Witt

Lectors: April Armstrong, David Ellies

Crucifer & Banner Bearer: Ashley Ahlbrand,  
Kathleen Boggess

Ushers: Spencer Anspach, Susan Kinzer

Communion Steward: Carol Seaman

Greeters: Lynn & Ute Coyne

Council Coordinator: Johnathan Frank

## **11 a.m. service**

Assisting Minister: Debbie Witt

Lectors: Chris Ogan, Chris Martz

Crucifer & Banner Bearer: Randy Arnold, Joseph Arnold

Acolyte: Lia Marsh

Ushers: Randy & Nancy Nye

Communion Steward: Leah Iversen

Greeters: Brock DeMark & Savannah Hadley-DeMark

Council Coordinator: Justin Rust

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