

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection

Sunday, May 7, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Easter



AS WE GATHER

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them, and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

NOTES ON TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 - Today's reading is the conclusion of Peter's sermon preached following the giving of the Holy Spirit to the apostles on the day of Pentecost. The center of his preaching is the bold declaration that God has made the crucified Jesus both Lord and Christ.

1 Peter 1:17-23 - The imagery of exile is used to help the readers of this letter understand that they are strangers in a strange land. Christians no longer belong to this age. Through the death of Christ we belong to God, so that our focus, faith, and hope are no longer on such things as silver or gold.

Luke 24:13-35 - The colorful story of Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus answers the question of how Jesus is to be recognized among us. Here, he is revealed through the scriptures and in the breaking of bread.

+ +

(Silence please for prayer and meditation)

PRELUDE

Morning Musical Meditations

Various

(Please stand as you are able)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the life beyond all death, the joy beyond all sorrow, our everlasting home. Rejoicing in Christ's victory over sin and death, let us come before God who calls us to repentance.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God of life,

C By the resurrection of your Son you make everything new. Newness scares us, and we confess to shutting our doors in fear. We have not listened to voices that challenge us. We have resisted the Holy Spirit moving us in new directions. Our hearts are slow to believe your promises. Forgive us, O God, and renew us to embrace without fear the new life you have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

P People of God: Christ is alive, and death has lost its power. Through the waters of baptism you have been born anew by the living word of God. Know that your sins are forgiven in + Jesus' name and that the Spirit of the risen Christ is alive in you both now and forever.

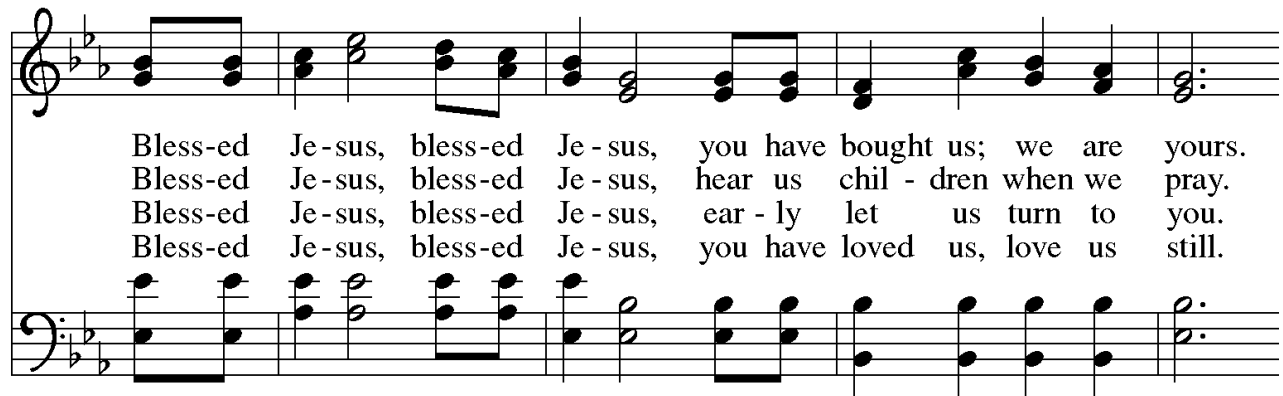
C Amen.



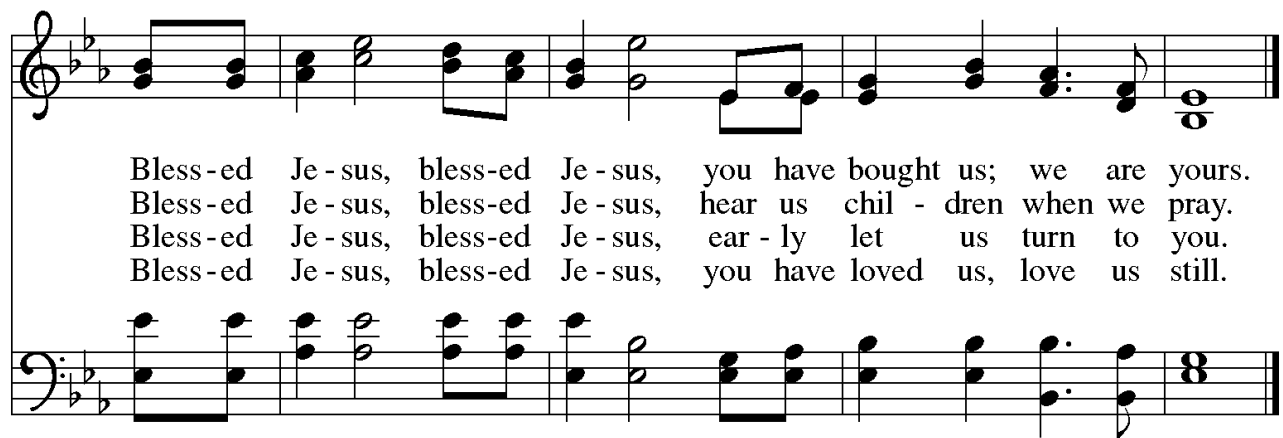
1 Sav - ior like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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GREETING

A 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.

KYRIE

A In peace, in peace, let us pray to the...

Assistant: Congregation:

Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have

mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

to Verses

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for the first Kyrie verse. It is written in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The top staff is for the Assistant, and the bottom staff is for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy." The piece concludes with a double bar line and the instruction "to Verses".

A For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all let us pray to the...

Assistant: Congregation:

Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have

mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

to Verses

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for the second Kyrie verse. It is written in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The top staff is for the Assistant, and the bottom staff is for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy." The piece concludes with a double bar line and the instruction "to Verses".

A For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word let us pray to the...

Assistant: Congregation:

Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have

mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

to Verses

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for the third Kyrie verse. It is written in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The top staff is for the Assistant, and the bottom staff is for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy." The piece concludes with a double bar line and the instruction "to Verses".

A Help, save, and defend us, O God

Congregation:

A - men.

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for the final Kyrie verse. It is written in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The staff is for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "A - men." The piece concludes with a double bar line.



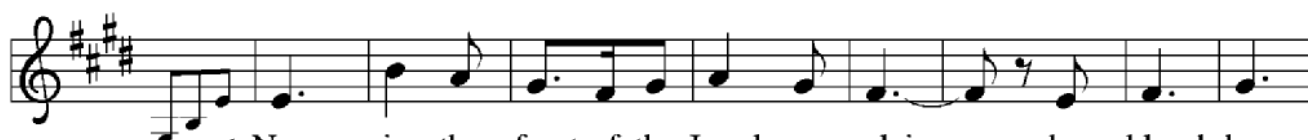
Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

SALUTATION

A The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A O God,

C your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

(Please be seated)

SHARED MINISTRY REMINDERS

INSTALLATION OF AN INTENTIONAL INTERIM PASTOR

FIRST READING Acts 2:14a, 36-41

A A reading from Acts

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], ³⁶“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” ³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” ³⁸Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” ⁴⁰And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” ⁴¹So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

A Word of God, Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Lord Our God We Worship Thee”
Voices of Faith

John Purifoy

SECOND READING 1 Peter 1:17-23

A A reading from 1 Peter

¹⁷If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the

end of the ages for your sake. ²¹Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

²²Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. ²³You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

A Word of God, Word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL VERSE

Congregation:

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

go? You have the words of e - ter - nal

life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Optional Repeat*

THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:13-35

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹³Now on that same day [when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene,] two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and

when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” ²⁵Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

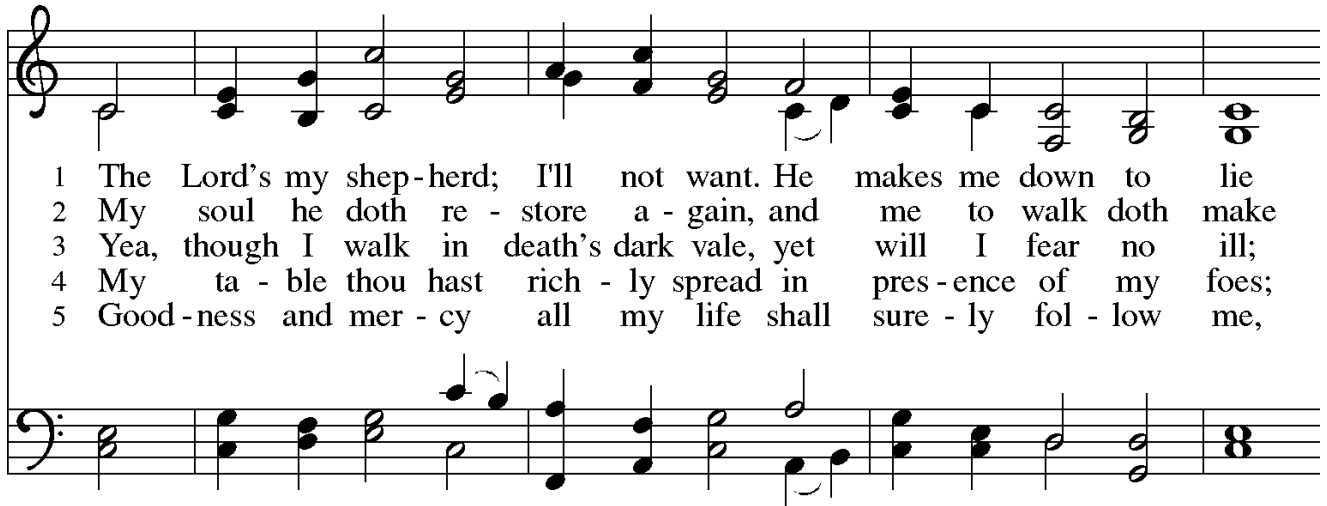
C **Thanks be to God.**

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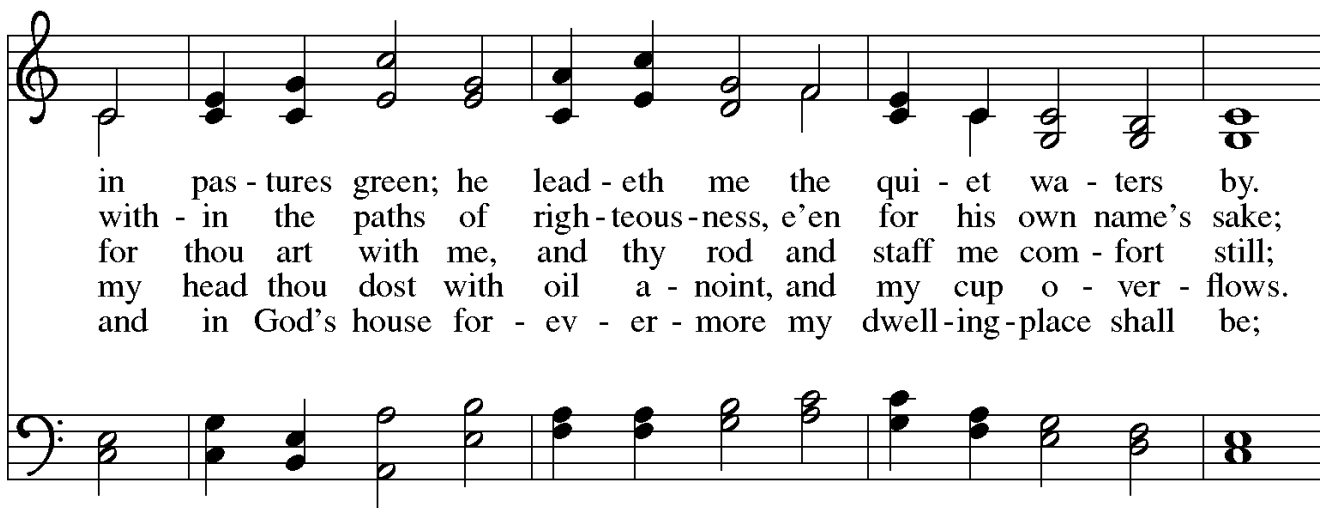
SERMON

Pastor Christopher Berry

(Please stand as you are able)



1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
 2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain, and me to walk doth make
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
 4 My ta - ble thou hast rich - ly spread in pres - ence of my foes;
 5 Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me,



in pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
 with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake;
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still;
 my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
 and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be;



He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
 with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.
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AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

P Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who desire to join the membership of Lutheran Church of the Resurrection by making this public affirmation of their baptism.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

NM **I renounce them.**

P Do you believe in God the Father, in Jesus Christ, the Son of God and in God the Holy Spirit as we confessed in the Apostle's Creed?

NM **Yes, by the help of God**

P You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:
to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

NM **I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

P People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

C **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

P We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

P Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

C **We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

PEACE

A The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

A I invite you to share the Peace of Christ with one another.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(After each petition concludes with **“Lord, in your mercy”**, the congregation responds, **“hear our prayer”**)

(Please be seated)

GIFTS OF OFFERING

“The Solid Rock”

Arr. M. Bober

(Please sign the red welcome roster and pass it on as a ritual of friendship. Then pass it back noting the names of those you’re worshipping with today.)

(Please stand as you are able)

OFFERING SONG

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW 884

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low;

praise him a -bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa -ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples.

C Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff is for the Presider, and the second and fourth staves are for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al-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 God thanks and praise."

Presider: The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al-also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts. *Congregation:* We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Congregation:* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ who bids us turn to you and prepare for the Paschal feast. And so, with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

CONGREGATONAL SONG

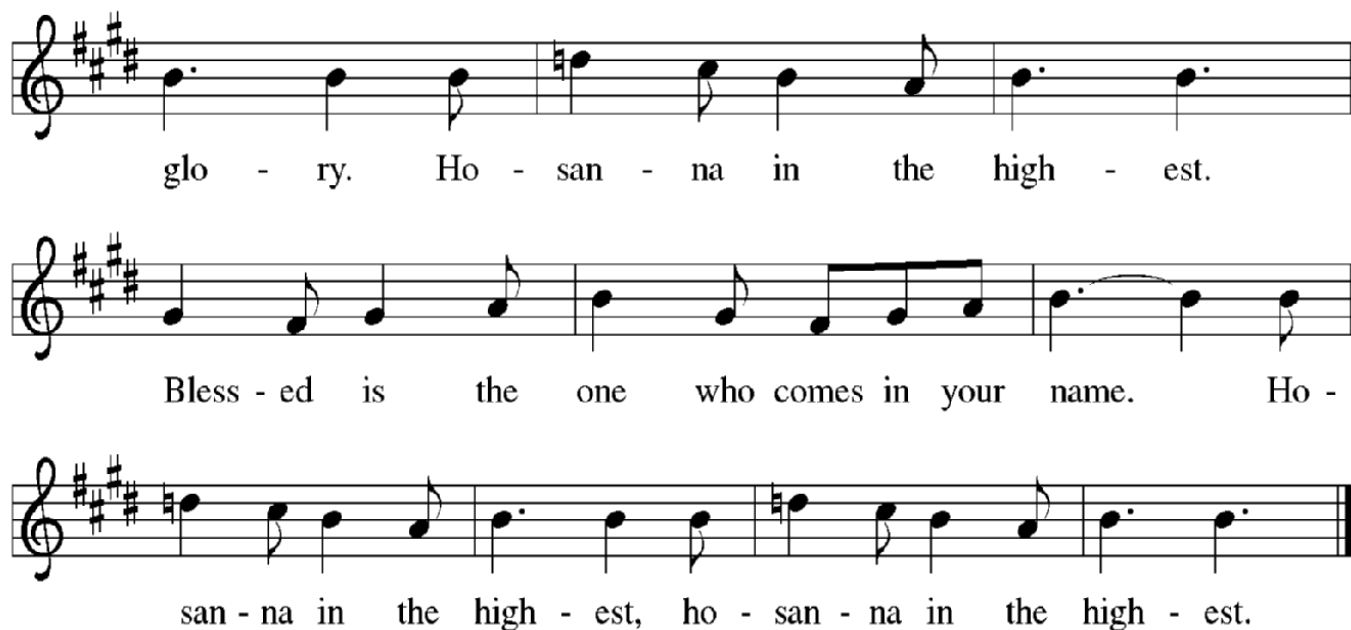
Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW 191

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves of music. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and might; heav - en and earth are filled with your"

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER


P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

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

C *Congregation:*



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en.
 Christ will come, come a - gain.

P Gather our prayers with those of the apostles, prophets, martyrs, and all the faithful who have gone before us, and unite them with the unceasing prayer of the One who lives in us and in whom we live, Jesus Christ.

Congregation:

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir-it, all glo - ry and hon-or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:
(Abba is an intimate word used by Jesus to address his Father – as we might say, Daddy)

LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Now let us feast this Easter day on Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!

(Please be seated)



The King of Love My Shepherd Is

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

That We May Be Filled

Not as we ought but as we are a - ble, we
of - fer our thanks as we come to your ta - ble. Through
Word and Spir - it bless us; through bread and wine re - fresh us that
we may be filled, that we may be filled with love.

The musical score is written on four staves in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The first staff contains the lyrics 'Not as we ought but as we are a - ble, we'. The second staff contains 'of - fer our thanks as we come to your ta - ble. Through'. The third staff contains 'Word and Spir - it bless us; through bread and wine re - fresh us that'. The fourth staff contains 'we may be filled, that we may be filled with love.' The music consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests and a final double bar line at the end of the fourth staff.

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Music: THAT WE MAY BE FILLED, Handt Hanson and Paul Murakami

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(Please stand as you are able)

P May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood, strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C Amen

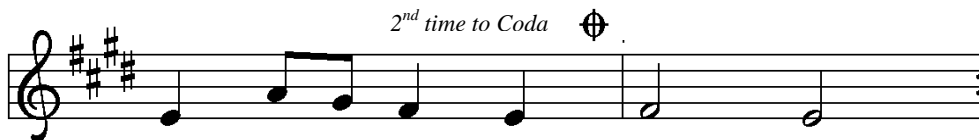
Thanks Be To You



1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
ev - er! Truth and ius - tice you have taught us:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.

⊕ Coda



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Life-giving God,

C in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION VISITORS

A Eternal God, whose glory is revealed in the crucified and risen Lord, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our sisters and brothers who are sick, homebound or imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this communion in the body and blood of your Son, that we may all feast upon your abundant love made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen



RECESSIONAL HYMN

I Serve a Risen Savior

1. I serve a ris - en Sav - ior He's in the world to - day. I know that He is liv - ing, What ev - er men may
 say. I see His hand of mer - cy; I hear His voice of cheer; And just the time I need Him He's al - ways
 near. (C) He lives, He lives, Christ Je - sus lives to - day! He walks with me and talks with me a - long life's nar row
 way. He lives, He lives, sal - va - tion to im -
 part! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives with - in my heart.

2. In all the world around me
 I see His loving care,
 And though my heart grows weary,
 I never will despair;
 I know that He is leading,
 Through all the stormy blast;
 The day of His appearing
 Will come at last.

3. Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian,
 Lift up your voice and sing
 Eternal hallelujahs
 To Jesus Christ the King!
 The Hope of all who seek Him,
 The Help of all who find,
 None other is so loving,
 So good and kind.

DISMISSAL

- A Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
- A You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.
- C **Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!**

POSTLUDE

“Christ Arose!”

R. Lowry

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

Lectors: Linda Babcock/John Moorman

Communion: Bob & Marti Dennis, Chris Steele/Darlene Schnuelle, Anne & Tom Merino

Altar Guild: Val Bryan/Josie Freiberg

Acolyte: Alessandra Tanfani

Greeters: David & Tamara Crocker/Lorraine Wells, Sandie Wright

Ushers: Ed & Linda Babcock, Dallas Forester/Bill Lockman, Bob & Hilla Fawcett

Altar Flowers: Annelise Graf, Marilyn Rakow

Crucifer: Clara Laskey

The altar flowers this morning are the gift of Virginia Vanderpool in celebration of family birthdays and of Glen & Charlotte Morse extending thanks to their Resurrection family for all of their love and support the past 12 years as they begin their new life in Florida.

It is with joy today that we welcome the following new disciples into the community that is Resurrection: Monika Bassel, Gail Dutto, Laurie Heinz-Kurttilla and Ken & Ana Nitta.

Helping Hands for May:

In-Kind Donations: We are asking you to prayerfully consider Child Sponsorship through World Vision. You will provide ongoing care for a community in need for \$39/month and have a one-on-one relationship with the child you sponsor. Resurrection has supported World Vision for over 10 years as a way for us to serve on a global scale. After you sponsor your child, you may send small items to them that will show them that someone outside of their community cares about them. Your monthly donation will provide programs like WASH, education, medicine and clinics, and sustainable job training to lift a community out of poverty. Look for the World Vision table in the Faith Center Lobby, or contact Cynthia Wellington or Nancy Schwegel.

Financial Contributions:

Resurrection will continue to have donations open through the month of May for our "6K Granite Bay" Walk/Run for Water through World Vision. World Vision is the largest non-profit in providing clean water to 3rd world countries. You can make contributions through a check to LCR with the memo line of: World Vision 6K Team Granite Bay or go directly online to: [6K Granite Bay California Water Walk/Run](#) For a \$50 donation, you will provide sustainable clean water for a child!

Readings for Next Sunday, May14, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them, and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

We invite you to read these texts as you prepare for next Sunday's worship.

Acts 7:55-60

1 Peter 2:2-10

Luke 24:13-35

COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Julian of Norwich, renewer of the church, died around 1416

Monday, May 8, 2017

When she was about thirty years old, Julian (or Juliana) reported visions that she later compiled into a book, *Sixteen Revelations of Divine Love*, now a classic of medieval mysticism. The visions declared that love was the meaning of religious experience, provided by Christ who is love, for the purpose of love.

Victor the Moor, martyr, died 303 (TFF)

Monday, May 8, 2017

Also known as Victor Maurus, this native of the northwest African nation of Mauritania was a soldier in the Roman Praetorian Guard. Under the persecution of Maximian, Victor died for his faith at Milan.

Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf, renewer of the church, hymnwriter, died 1760

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

When he was 22, a group of Moravians asked permission to live on Zinzendorf's land. He agreed, and eventually worldwide Moravian missions emanated from this community. Zinzendorf participated in these missions, and is also remembered for writing hymns characteristic of his Pietistic faith.