### **Music During Communion**

See Us, Lord, About Your Altar

TUNE: Drakes Broughton Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

**<u>Post-Communion Canticle</u>** ~ LBW p. 92 Thank the Lord and sing his praise

# +WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD+

(In the final part of our liturgy, we are sent out as evangelists into the world, bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.)

# Post-Communion Prayer ~ LBW p. 94

(We stay standing as the assistant minister offers a prayer of thanksgiving and petition that God will grant us faith to love our neighbor. The pastor then extends God's blessing across us and our lives.) Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord. Congregation: Amen.

# Announcements

# **Benediction** ~ LBW p. 94

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Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Congregation: Amen.** 

Pastor (chanting): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Congregation (chanting): Amen.

# **<u>Recessional Hymn</u>** ~ LBW Hymn #150 Make Songs of Joy

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(We stay standing and sing. As the cross is carried out, we turn to follow it as we sing. Now nurtured through God's word and sacrament, we are ready to go forth into the world again.)

# **Dismissal**

Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled. Congregation: Thanks be to God.

**Organ Postlude** Improvisation on Make Songs of Joy

# CALENDAR

Sunday, May 12 – The Seventh Sunday of Easter 10:00 am Special Congregational Meeting in the Parsonage 11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist Tuesday and Thursday 9am-2pm First Friends Sunday, May 19 – Pentecost Sunday 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist 12:30 pm Church Council Meeting

### CHURCH STAFF

Evan McClanahan, Pastor Mario Aschauer, Organist Jimmy Paz, Choir Director Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator Bright Igwenagu, Sexton Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

### WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY

| Edward Scott                   | Assisting Minister  |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Matthew Scott                  | Server/Crucifer     |
| Adalyn McClanahan              | Acolyte             |
| Christopher Maale, Eric Olson  | Usher               |
| Charlene Kelley, Sally Russell | Altar Guild         |
| Jimmy Paz                      | Choir Director      |
| Mario Aschauer                 | Organist            |
| Pastor Evan McClanahan         | Liturgist, Preacher |

Flowers were given by Johnny and Elaine (Orton) Campbell in honor of Mother's Day. Johnny's mother was Patricia Campbell and Elaine's mother was Adele Orton.



# The Ringing of the Bell

<u>Organ Prelude</u>

Introit (Choir) 1:11)

# Processional Hymn ~ LBW Hymn #170 Crown Him with Many Crowns

**Prayer of the Day** ~ LBW p. 22 Pastor: Let us pray ... Congregation: Amen.

(Be seated.)

**Children's Sermon** (Children are invited forward for a message just for them. After the message, they can go next door to the nursery with Mrs. Bella.)

# FIRST LUTHERAN HOUSTON

The Seventh Sunday of Easter  $\sim$  May 12, 2024 ORDER OF SERVICE

# +WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP+

Upon entering the nave, please prepare for worship by attentively listening to the prelude.

Improvisation on Crown Him with Many Crowns

## Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness, p. 77 (stand)

Tempus Paschale: Hebdomada 6: Vocem iucunditatis

Ye men of Galilee, why wonder you, looking up to heaven? Alleluia: He shall so come as you have seen Him going up into heaven. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. (Acts

(We stand and turn to face the cross at the back of the church as the choir sings. "Introit" means "to enter." Here we begin our church service with the theme of the day announced.)

DIADEMATA

(We all sing the hymn and turn to follow the cross as it moves to the altar.)

**<u>Greeting and Kyrie</u>** ~ LBW p. 78

Hymn of Praise ~ LBW p. 81 This is the Feast

### +WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD+

(In the second part of our liturgy, we hear and respond to God's word.)

#### First Lesson ~ Acts 1:15-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

### Congregation: Thanks be to God.

#### <u>The Psalm</u> ~ Psalm 1



<sup>1</sup> Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,\* nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup> Their delight is in the law | of the Lord,\*

and they meditate on his law | day and night.

<sup>3</sup> They are like trees planted by streams of water,

bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that | do not wither;\* everything they | do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup> It is not so | with the wicked;\*

they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

<sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,\* nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup> For the Lord knows the way | of the righteous,\* but the way of the wick- | ed is doomed.

#### <u>Second Lesson</u> ~ 1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

V. Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the end of the age. (Matthew 28:19-20)

### The Gospel ~ John 17:6-19

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter.

#### C: Glory to you, O Lord

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them.

And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world.

Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you O Christ. Alleluia!

#### The Sermon

Hymn of the Day ~ LBW Hymn #158 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

The Nicene Creed ~ LBW p. 84

### **Prayers of the People**

(The assistant minister leads us in prayer for our church, the sick and suffering, our community, and the world. We place trust in our loving God, especially for places and situations beyond our control).

Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

(Each petition will end with the response:)

Assisting Minister: Lord, in Your mercy.

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Congregation: Amen.

### The Greeting of Peace

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always. Congregation: And also with you. (We repeat this greeting to those around us as you are comfortable.)

# **Offertory**

Be Thou My Vision TUNE: Slane Arr. Susan W. Henry (Be seated as ushers collect the offering and the choir sings. Having heard God's word, we thus respond in faith and thanksgiving through this act.)

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father, Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Here, Christ comes to us in the sacrament or "sacred act" of the altar. We believe that God brings himself and his forgiveness to us "in, with, and under" the bread and the wine.)

use in this special meal).

Lord's Prayer ~ LBW p. 91 (Staying standing, we pray the prayer given by Christ himself.)

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the bondage of sin and death.)

#### **Holy Communion**

Be seated while you wait to be invited forward to receive Christ's body and blood. As you come forward, form a semi-circle. There, we partake of the sacrament together with each other and the saints who have come before us. All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. The pastor will give you bread, which you can eat as soon as you get it. If you wish to dip the bread into the chalice or drink from the chalice, do not take a grape juice cup or an empty cup. If you take an empty cup, the Server will pour some wine into it. After drinking the wine, put the empty cup in a tray by the side aisle on your way back to your seat, not back into the tray from which you took the empty cup.

**Offertory Hymn** ~ LBW p. 86 Let the Vineyards

### **+WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+**

### Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface ~ LBW p. 88

(We stay standing, as the pastor leads us in preparation for celebrating communion.)

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) ~ LBW p. 89

### Eucharistic Prayer #33 and Words of Institution ~ LBW p. 90

(The pastor leads us in prayer, followed by the words which Jesus spoke when he instituted communion. With these words, the bread and the wine are consecrated or "set apart" for God's

Pastor: Blessed are you ... in his holy supper.

Congregation: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed ... remembrance of me

<u>Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)</u> ~ LBW Hymn #103 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God (We stay standing as we sing about Jesus, the Lamb of God sacrificed for us to free us from