

Eucharistic Prayer #31 and Words of Institution ~ LBW p. 70

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

Lord's Prayer ~ LBW p. 71

(Staying standing, we pray the prayer given by Christ himself.)

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) ~ 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 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.)

Music During Communion

What A Friend We Have In Jesus Tune: Converse

Charles C. Converse (1832-1918)

Post-Communion Canticle ~ LBW p. 72 *Thank the Lord and sing his praise*

(We stand and sing once everyone has received the sacrament. In this song or chant, we offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future.)

+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 and Benediction ~ LBW p. 74

(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.

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

Congregation (chanting): Amen.

Recessional Hymn ~ LBW Hymn #135 *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done*

(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 *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done*

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 31 – The Resurrection of Our Lord

9:30 am Easter Brunch

10:30 am Easter Egg Hunt

11:00 am Worship Service with Music

Tuesday and Thursday

9am-2pm First Friends

Sunday, April 7 – The Second Sunday of Easters

9:00 am Spoken Word Service

10:00 am Sunday School for adults and children

11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist

Friday, April 12

7:00 pm Baseball on the lawn: Astros v. Rangers on the big screen, bratwurst, popcorn, potluck treats

CHURCH STAFF

Evan McClanahan, Pastor

Mario Aschauer, Organist

Jimmy Paz, Choir Director

Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends

Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator

Peter Okumu, Sexton

Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY

Edward Scott

Assisting Minister

Matthew Scott

Server/Crucifer

Carldiaz Okumu

Acolyte

David Hokanson, Steve Bing, Tim Baker

Usher

Charlene Kelley, Carolyn Hokanson

Altar Guild

Jimmy Paz

Choir Director

Mario Aschauer

Organist

Pastor Evan McClanahan

Liturgist, Preacher



THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD ~ MARCH 31, 2024

ORDER OF SERVICE

+WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP+

Organ Prelude

P: He is risen. Alleluia!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Welcome and Announcements

A reminder that page numbers (i.e. p. 57) are found in the front of the green hymnal, the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). Hymn numbers begin after the pages end. Our hymns will be closer to the middle of the hymnal.

The Ringing of the Bell

Introit (Choir)

Ant.. He is risen, Alleluia! Why seek ye the Living among the dead? Alleluia! Remember how He spake unto you, Alleluia! The Son of Man must be crucified and the third day rise again. Alleluia! Alleluia!

V. Thou crownedst Him with glory and honor: Thou madest Him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

(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.)

Processional Hymn ~ LBW #151 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* EASTER HYMN

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

Greeting and Kyrie ~ LBW p. 57

(Staying standing, the assisting minister leads us in chant as we ask God for mercy, unity, and peace for ourselves, our church, and all people.)

Hymn of Praise ~ LBW p. 60 ~ *This is the Feast*

(Having received forgiveness and mercy, we sing praise to God, our source of all blessings.)

Prayer of the Day ~ LBW p. 20

(The pastor offers an appointed prayer based upon the scripture readings of the day).

Pastor: Let us pray ...

Congregation: Amen.

(Be seated.)

+WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD+

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

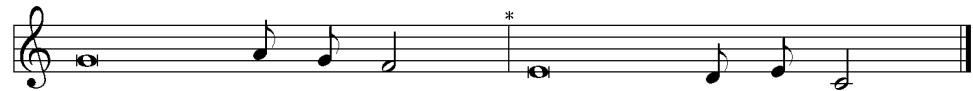
First Lesson ~ Acts 10:34-43

So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm ~ Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24



- ¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for | he is good;*
his mercy en- | dures forever.
- ² **Let Israel | now proclaim,***
"His mercy en- | dures forever."
- ¹⁴ The Lord is my strength | and my song,*
and he has become | my salvation.
- ¹⁵ **There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory***
in the tents | of the righteous:
- ¹⁶ "The right hand of the | Lord has triumphed!*"
The right hand of the Lord is exalted!
The right hand of the | Lord has triumphed!"
- ¹⁷ **I shall not | die, but live,***
and declare the works | of the Lord.
- ¹⁸ The Lord has pun- | ished me sorely,*
but he did not hand me o- | ver to death.
- ¹⁹ **Open for me the | gates of righteousness;*
I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the Lord.**
- ²⁰ "This is the gate | of the Lord;*
he who is right- | eous may enter."
- ²¹ **I will give thanks to you, for you | answered me*
and have become | my salvation.**
- ²² The same stone which the build- | ers rejected*
has become the chief | cornerstone.
- ²³ **This is | the Lord's doing,*
and it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

²⁴ On this day the | Lord has acted;*
we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

Second Lesson ~ 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you— unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Gradual ~ Hymn #138 He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!

WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET

The Gospel ~ Mark 16:1-8

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 16th chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you O Christ. Alleluia!

The Sermon

Hymn of the Day 134 Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands

CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN

(We stand and sing a hymn that reflects the words of the readings and sermon).

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.)

Choral Anthem

Chorale for Ascension Day (Easter Chorale), Op. 42 Samuel Barber (1910-1981)

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| The morning light renews the sky. Across the air the birds ignite Like sparks to take this blaze of day Through all the precincts of the night. Alleluia! Alleluia! The fires of dawn refresh our eyes. We watch the world grow wide and bright And praise our newly risen Light. | The winter land receives the year. Her smallest creatures rouse and cling To swelling roots and buds that stir The restless air to reel and ring! Alleluia! Alleluia! The sounds of waking fills our ears. We listen to the live earth sing And praise our loving Source and Spring. |
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(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.)

Offertory Hymn ~ LBW Hymn #128 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!
vs. 1 & 4

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.

+WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+

(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.)

Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface ~ LBW p. 68

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

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) ~ LBW p. 69