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FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER

April 25, 2021

Our Mission...



To joyfully share the Abundant Life in Jesus' cross with all people today, embracing His hope for tomorrow.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!

Jesus gives new life wherever His Gospel is preached! If you are a visitor, we welcome you in Jesus' name. Please come again to join us in worship and become acquainted with our family in Christ.

Visitors ~ please sign our Guest Book at the back of the church.

Friendship Registers ~ Red Worship folders are in the center aisles of the pews. Please sign in each Sunday.

Sunday school for three-years-old through High School are held at 8:30 am in the lower level.

Adult Bible Class is held in the Stahlecker Room / Library at 8:30 am each Sunday.

Hospital visitations ~ Please let Pastor know if you or a loved one will be in the hospital.

Rest rooms (2) are located on the same floor as the Sanctuary, across from the mailboxes. One is handicapped accessible, and has a Baby Changing Station.

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CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an usher.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; 1 Corinthians 1:28; 11:17–34.

FOR THOSE with YOUNG CHILDREN...

In Matthew 19, Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." Jesus wants your little ones present with Him during our worship service. So do we.

While children may often fidget and fuss during the service, we consider the noise that they make to be a form of sacred music – the song of God's children learning more and more what it means to be Christians. And it is for this reason that we invite the children to stay with us for the entire service. We also suggest the following steps to help them learn.

- Sit toward the front where it is easier for them to see what is happening.
- Sing the liturgy and hymns, boldly. The more engaged you are, the more quickly they will learn to follow along.
- Explain to them what is happening throughout the service.

If you feel that your children are being too disruptive, please feel free to sit in the Narthex. There are also activity books and "quiet time' bags in the back for your children. Ask an Elder or usher for assistance.

Finally, if your attempt to get through the service today was a disaster, come back next week. The more consistently you show up, the easier it will get. And, whenever you come, just like Christ, we will always be overjoyed to have you and your little ones with us.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here – LSB 592 sts. 1-4 **BAPTISMAL HYMN** 1 Dear - est Je sus, here, Glad ly Your comwe are 2 Your com-mand is clear and plain. And we would o -3 There-fore we have come to You. In our arms this 4 Gra - cious Head, Shep -Your mem - ber own; herd, take Your o - bey - ing; With mand this child we now draw near "You must it du ly: all be born gain, bey а in - fant bear - ing. Tru - ly here Your grace view; we lamb and feed it: Prince of Peace, make here Your throne; Your own ing That You it In re - sponse to say to life Heart and re - new - ing tru ly, Born of wa - ter Mav this child, Your mer - cy shar ing, In Your arms be Pre -Way of Life, to heav - en lead it: cious Vine, let a child and heir of heav shall be giv - en As en. and the Spir - it, And My king-dom thus in - her it." shield-ed Yours on earth and Yours for - ev ev - er, er. Your side this branch for - ev noth - ing sev - er From er. Tune and text: Public domain

HOLY BAPTISM

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Being baptized today is Charles Michael Kingland son of Michael & Maryanne Kingland

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

- **P** How are you named?
- **R** Charles Michael Kingland
- **P** *Charles Michael Kingland*, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your + forehead and upon your + heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hardhearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin. We pray that You would behold *Charles* according to Your boundless mercy and bless him with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in him, which has been inherited from Adam and which [he himself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that he be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, he would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- **C** Amen.
- P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Lord's Prayer

 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.

P The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even + forevermore.

C Amen.

- **P** *Charles Michael Kingland*, do you renounce the devil?
- **R** Yes, I renounce him.
- **P** Do you renounce all his works?
- **R** *Yes, I renounce them.*
- **P** Do you renounce all his ways?
- **R** Yes, I renounce them.
- **P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
- **R** Yes, I believe.
- Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?
- **R** Yes, I believe.
- Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?
- **R** Yes, I believe.
- P Charles Michael Kingland, do you desire to be baptized?
- **R** Yes, I do.
- Charles Michael Kingland, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life T everlasting.

C Amen.

- Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.
- A In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our brother in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- **C** Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Charles the new birth in Holy Baptism and made him a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as he has now become Your child, You would keep him in his baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure he may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- **C** Amen.
- **P** Peace + be with you.
- **C** Amen.



SERVICE of the WORD

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Psalm 23; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b





I am the good | shepherd.*

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep. The LORD is my | shepherd;*

I | shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green | pastures.*

He leads me beside still | waters.

He re- | stores my soul.*

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his | name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are | with me;*

your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my | enemies;*

you anoint my head with oil; my cup | overflows.

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Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,*

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I am the good | shepherd.*

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep.

KYRIE ~ *Lord*, *Have Mercy*



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA in EXCELSIS ~ Glory to God in the Highest

C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth: 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa-ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly: You on - ly Lord. are the Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth! Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. 0 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored; We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing-Have mer - cv us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt on cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High, Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high-In God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re - ply.

Mark 10:47

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

SALUTATION and COLLECT of the DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

FIRST READING

¹As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ²greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹²And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Acts 4:1–12

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

EPISTLE READING

1 John 3:16-24

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

¹⁶By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? ¹⁸Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

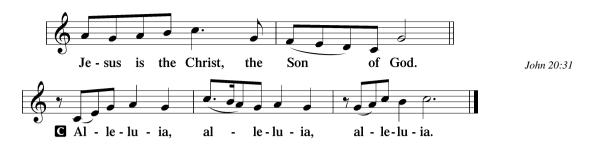
¹⁹By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; ²⁰for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; ²²and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE





HOLY GOSPEL READING

John 10:11-18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

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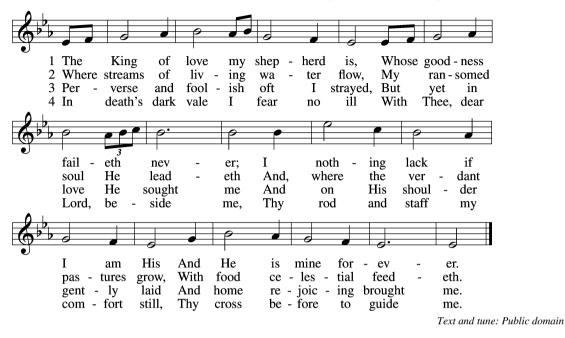
Glory to You, O Lord.

¹¹[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN of the DAY

The King of Love My Shepherd Is ~ LSB 709



- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Bruce R. Zagel

"The Shepherd's Command to His Sheep" ~ text: 1 John 3:16-24

PRAYER of the CHURCH

OFFERING

SERVICE of the SACRAMENT

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PREFACE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

1 Timothy 2:1-4

2 Timothy 4:22

P Lift up your hearts.

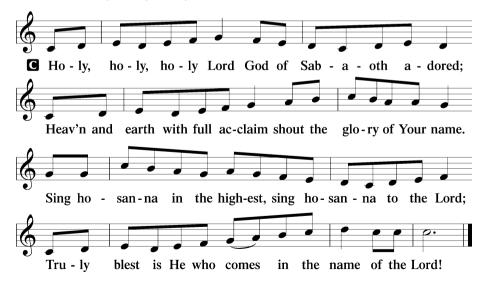
C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy



Psalm 136

Isaiah 6:3: Matthew 21:9

Colossians 3:1

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PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

С	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.

THE WORDS of OUR LORD Matthew 26:26-

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI ~ The Peace of the Lord

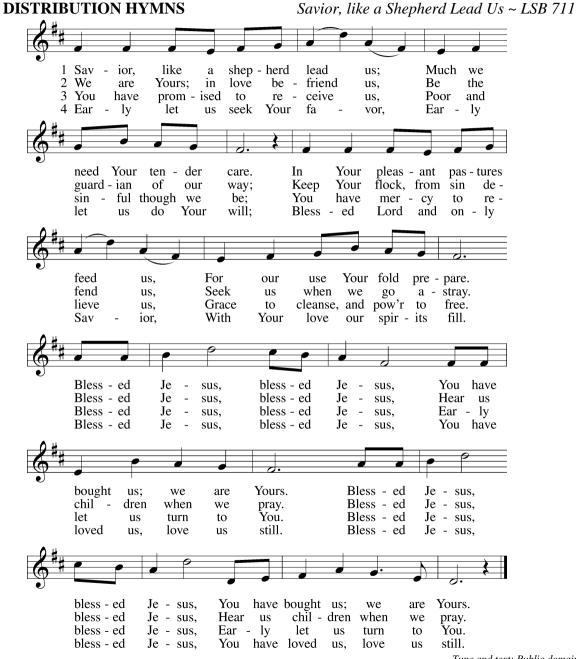
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI ~ Lamb of God



John 1:29



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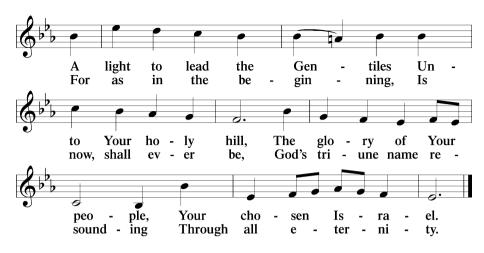
1 Lord Je Christ, hum - bly That sus we pray we may 2 Give won-drous food. Your us. who share this bod y 3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the 4 One bread. one cup, bod - y, we. Re ioic one ing 5 Lord hum - blv Je Christ. **keep** _ sus we pray: 0 us 0 d 0 0 day: feast You Be neath these forms of on to bro ken Your blood, The ful of and grate _ peace gift of love re - told; All that You are we ni -Pro in our u ty, claim Your love un -When stead - fast till that day each will be Your 00 ~ bread and wine En rich with Your di - vine. us grace for cer - tain joys sins giv'n, The of heirs of heav'n. here re ceive, And all are You give. we to we til You come То bring Your scat - tered loved ones home. wel - comed guest In heav - en's high and ho - ly feast. Text and tune: Public domain

NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon

0 C 1 0Lord, Your vant now let ser De 2 All glo - ry to the Fa ther, All heav'n - ly part in For the peace, Ι have seen glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the 0 glo Of Your deem - ing re grace: ry iť, For Spir er Three - in - One: ev -

Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray ~ LSB 623

Luke 2:29-32



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

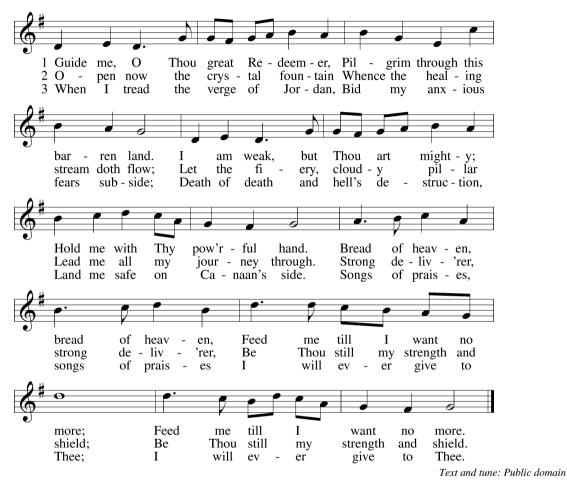
P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- **C** Amen.

Psalm 103:1

HYMN to DEPART



POSTLUDE