



**Fifth Sunday of Easter May 15, 2022 10:45 Blended Service**

Out with the Old and in with the New

**Prelude**

**As We Gather**

Good Friday and Easter morning is over, and Christ is with us now, especially as we receive His body and blood in the Lord's Supper. It is only a foretaste of the feast to come, when He will make all things new. Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!

**Welcome**

**+ WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP +**

**Opening Song "Revelation Song " SSP 80**

**Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain**

**Holy holy is He**

**Sing a new song to Him Who sits on**

**Heaven's mercy seat**

**Holy holy holy**

**Is the Lord God Almighty**

**Who was and is and is to come**

**With all creation I sing**

**Praise to the King of kings**

**You are my ev'rything**

**And I will adore You**

**Clothed in rainbows of living color**

**Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder**

**Blessing and honor strength and glory**

**And power be to You the only wise King**

**Holy holy holy**

**Is the Lord God Almighty**

**Who was and is and is to come**

**With all creation I sing**

**Praise to the King of kings**

**You are my ev'rything**

**And I will adore You**

**Filled with wonder awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name  
Jesus Your name is power breath and living water  
Such a marv'lous mystery yeah**

**Holy holy holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come  
With all creation I sing  
Praise to the King of kings  
You are my ev'rything  
And I will adore You**

**Holy holy holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
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### **Invocation**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

### **Easter Acclamation**

**A** Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## Confession and Absolution

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**A** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**A** God's grace knows no bounds! Through the sacrifice of His Son, the Bridegroom of the Church, He makes us His holy bride. Anticipating the heavenly wedding feast, let us seek God's grace now and call on Him for forgiveness and mercy.

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy on us, for we cannot help ourselves. Forgive us all that we have done in the past, give us grace in this present time, and lead us to serve You and love one another in the future and on into the eternity You have promised.**

**P** Jesus promised the disciples, "Your sorrow will turn into joy," and He promises "the spring of the water of life without payment." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## **Song of Forgiveness** "My Chains Are Gone" SSP 39

My chains are gone I've been set free  
My God my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love amazing grace

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## Prayer of the Day

**A** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, Bridegroom of the Church, You have done everything needed for us to join You at the heavenly wedding feast that has no end.

**C** **Guide us so that our thoughts, words, and deeds may testify that we are no longer wed to this world, but are Yours, now and always;**

**A** for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## + WE HEAR GOD'S WORD +

### First Lesson

Acts 11:1–18

*(God convinces Peter that Gentiles may be baptized into the one Church.)*

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, <sup>3</sup>"You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." <sup>4</sup>But Peter began and explained it to them in order: <sup>5</sup>"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. <sup>6</sup>Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' <sup>8</sup>But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' <sup>9</sup>But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' <sup>10</sup>This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. <sup>11</sup>And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. <sup>12</sup>And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup>And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will declare to you a message by which

you will be saved, you and all your household.' <sup>15</sup>As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>17</sup>If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" <sup>18</sup>When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Second Lesson**

Revelation 21:1–7

*(John sees a vision of the new Jerusalem, adorned as a bride for her husband, coming from heaven.)*

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

<sup>5</sup>And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup>And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. <sup>7</sup>The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel

John 16:12–22

*(Jesus prepares the Twelve for His absence for "a little while.")*

**A** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

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

<sup>12</sup>[Jesus said:] "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

<sup>16</sup>"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." <sup>17</sup>So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" <sup>18</sup>So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." <sup>19</sup>Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? <sup>20</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. <sup>21</sup>When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. <sup>22</sup>So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

**A** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**



## **Children's Message**

**Hymn of the Day "Jerusalem the Golden" LSB 672**

**Jerusalem the golden,  
With milk and honey blest—  
The promise of salvation,  
The place of peace and rest—  
We know not, oh, we know not  
What joys await us there:  
The radiancy of glory,  
The bliss beyond compare!**

**Within those walls of Zion  
Sounds forth the joyful song,  
As saints join with the angels  
And all the martyr throng.  
The Prince is ever with them;  
The daylight is serene;  
The city of the blessed  
Shines bright with glorious sheen.**

**Around the throne of David,  
The saints, from care released,  
Raise loud their songs of triumph  
To celebrate the feast.  
They sing to Christ their leader,  
Who conquered in the fight,  
Who won for them forever  
Their gleaming robes of white.**

**O sweet and blessed country,  
The home of God's elect!  
O sweet and blessed country  
That faithful hearts expect!  
In mercy, Jesus, bring us  
To that eternal rest  
With You and God the Father  
And Spirit, ever blest.**

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## **Message**

*"Title"*

## **Prayer of the Church**

**A** Let us pray to God on behalf of the Church and all people in their various needs.

You told Peter, "What God has made clean, do not call common." Remember those people on the margins of society, O Lord; provide caring people and institutions, open doors of opportunity, and free them from the results of their past poor decisions. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Peter and the others recognized that they could not "stand in God's way." Guide the Church's clergy and lay leaders here and around the world to seek Your will, Lord Jesus, working together creatively to find new ways to spread the Gospel in accord with Your will. Bless also the preparation for VBS as we return our original evening format. May families be drawn into the salvation of Jesus in the unique way VBS presents it. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** We pray for our children, youth and their families to grow in faith at home with family devotion time, and worship and study time together. We lift before You this day, Debbie Taboada, Darren, Carla, Rebecca, Renae Tennyson, Ryan & Cassidy Tennyson, Pastor Tieken and Ali Tieken. Bless the children of our CLC Zane, Emory, Jackson, Mattix, along with their parents and our staff. Grant that we share with them our faith in Christ and live together as God's sanctified and thankful people. We also lift to You our young adults, both high school and college. Strengthen them in faith to face the realities of work and study and the ongoing challenges and attacks on their faith. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord overall, as You foretold, often we "will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice," so we see injustice, oppression, constant warfare, and unrest in many nations. Raise up wise leaders' intent on serving their citizens, police and first responders focused on maintaining the peace, and armed forces determined to reestablish calm. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Gracious Savior, by the faith given us by the Holy Spirit, we look forward to the wedding feast of the Lamb, who will end mourning, crying, and pain. Before we enter that time of rejoicing, we bring the petitions of people near and dear to us as they call out in sorrow, through tears and enduring pain, Cricket Winters, Janice Sessum, Kathy Wurzbach, John McCarty, Jason Taylor, Judy Royal, Glenda Kramer, Don Hilsberg, Donna & Brian Krueger, Barbara Murphy, Kathy Carlson, Henry Helmke, Barbara Kerber, Dan Benson, Tammy Tolbert, Tisha Robinson, Henry Bader, Bruce Zehms, Erik Peterson, Destiny Baker, Andy Puls, and for the Davis family as they mourn the loss of Emily. As fits Your gracious plans, give them peace, joy, and relief. Bridegroom of the Church, in Your mercy.

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting that You have heard us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord who has taught us to pray...

**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.**

**Offertory** "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"  
"I Love to Tell the Story" Deane Peters

## **+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

### **Prepare our Hearts for Communion**

1. Do I believe that I am sinful without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ Jesus?
2. Do I believe that Jesus is God's Son and my personal Savior?
3. Do I believe that He is personally present with His Body and Blood?
4. Do I desire by the Holy Spirit's power to live a Godly life?

If this is what you believe, we invite you to come forward to share Communion with us. If this is not what you understand or believe you are welcome to come forward for a blessing; simply cross your arms for the Pastor to bless you.

### **Communion Instructions**

*For those who are intolerant to alcohol, grape juice is available in the center of each communion tray marked by purple cups. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.*

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have not left us separated from You in this fallen world but sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and to adorn us with His own holiness. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

**A** Gather us together with all the faithful, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### **The Words of Our Lord**

**P** 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."

+ PREPARATION +

**"We Proclaim Your Death"** SSP 9 The Mystery of Faith

**C** We proclaim your death, O Lord,  
And profess your Resurrection  
until you come again

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**SSP 10 Lamb of God Setting II**

**L** Lamb of God,  
**C** You take away the sins of the world,  
Have mercy on us.

**L** Lamb of God,  
**C** You take away the sins of the world,  
Have mercy on us.

**L** Lamb of God,  
**C** You take away the sins of the world,  
Grant us peace.

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**Distribution Song "Jesus Messiah"**

**He became sin who knew no sin  
That we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself and carried the cross  
Love so amazing love so amazing**

**Jesus Messiah Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel  
The Rescue for sinners  
The Ransom from heaven  
Jesus Messiah Lord of all**

**His body the bread His blood the wine  
Broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn  
Love so amazing love so amazing**

**Jesus Messiah Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel  
The Rescue for sinners  
The Ransom from heaven  
Jesus Messiah Lord of all**

**All our hope is in You  
All our hope is in You  
All the glory to You God  
The Light of the world**

**Jesus Messiah Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel  
The Rescue for sinners  
The Ransom from heaven  
Jesus Messiah Lord of all**

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Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel  
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**Distribution Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" LSB 644**

**The Church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
She is His new creation  
By water and the Word.  
From heav'n He came and sought her  
To be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her,  
And for her life He died.**

**Elect from ev'ry nation,  
Yet one o'er all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation:  
One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses,  
Partakes one holy food,**



**And to one hope she presses  
With ev'ry grace endued.**

**Though with a scornful wonder  
The world sees her oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder,  
By heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping;  
Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping  
Shall be the morn of song.**

**Through toil and tribulation  
And tumult of her war  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace forevermore  
Till with the vision glorious  
Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious  
Shall be the Church at rest.**

**Yet she on earth has union  
With God, the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won.  
O blessèd heav'nly chorus!  
Lord, save us by Your grace  
That we, like saints before us,  
May see You face to face.**

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**Distribution Hymn "Salvation unto Us Has Come" LSB 555**

**Salvation unto us has come**

**By God's free grace and favor;**

**Good works cannot avert our doom,**

**They help and save us never.**

**Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,**

**Who did for all the world atone;**

**He is our one Redeemer.**

**What God did in His Law demand**

**And none to Him could render**

**Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand**

**For man, the vile offender.**

**Our flesh has not those pure desires**

**The spirit of the Law requires,**

**And lost is our condition.**

**It was a false, misleading dream**

**That God His Law had given**

**That sinners could themselves redeem**

**And by their works gain heaven.**

**The Law is but a mirror bright**

**To bring the inbred sin to light**

**That lurks within our nature.**

**From sin our flesh could not abstain,**

**Sin held its sway unceasing;**

**The task was useless and in vain,**

**Our guilt was e'er increasing.**

**None can remove sin's poisoned dart  
Or purify our guileful heart—  
So deep is our corruption.**

**Yet as the Law must be fulfilled  
Or we must die despairing,  
Christ came and has God's anger stilled,  
Our human nature sharing.  
He has for us the Law obeyed  
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed  
Which over us impended.**

**Since Christ has full atonement made  
And brought to us salvation,  
Each Christian therefore may be glad  
And build on this foundation.  
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,  
Your death is now my life indeed,  
For You have paid my ransom.**

**Let me not doubt, but truly see  
Your Word cannot be broken;  
Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!"  
No falsehood have You spoken.  
Baptized into Your precious name,  
My faith cannot be put to shame,  
And I shall never perish.**

**The Law reveals the guilt of sin  
And makes us conscience-stricken;  
But then the Gospel enters in  
The sinful soul to quicken.  
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live;  
The Law no peace can ever give,  
No comfort and no blessing.**

**Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone  
And rests in Him unceasing;  
And by its fruits true faith is known,  
With love and hope increasing.  
For faith alone can justify;  
Works serve our neighbor and supply  
The proof that faith is living.**

**All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise  
To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
The God who saved us by His grace;  
All glory to His merit.  
O triune God in heav'n above,  
You have revealed Your saving love;  
Your blessed name we hallow.**

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**Song of Blessing** "Lord Bid Your Servant Go in Peace" LSB 937

**Lord, bid Your servant go in peace,  
Your word is now fulfilled.  
These eyes have seen salvation's dawn,  
This child so long foretold.**

**This is the Savior of the world,  
The Gentiles' promised light,  
God's glory dwelling in our midst,  
The joy of Israel.**

**With saints of old, with saints to come,  
To You we lift our voice;  
To Father, Son, and Spirit blest  
Be honor, love, and praise.**

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### **Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

**A** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, we give thanks that here in time You have already assured us of our invitation to the wedding feast above.

**C** **Keep the vision of that joyful eternity before us until faith turns to sight and we celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end;**

**A** through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**+ WE DEPART IN HIS PEACE +**

### **Benedicamus**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Benediction**

**A** The blessing of God Almighty—the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit—be upon you, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### **Easter Acclamation**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### **Dismissal**

**A** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

**Closing Song "The Lion and the Lamb"**  
**He's coming on the clouds**  
**Kings and kingdoms will bow down**  
**And every chain will break**  
**As broken hearts declare His praise**  
**For who can stop the Lord Almighty**

**Our God is the Lion**  
**The Lion of Judah**  
**He's roaring with power**  
**And fighting our battles**  
**And every knee will bow before Him**

**Our God is the Lamb**  
**The Lamb that was slain**  
**For the sins of the world**  
**His blood breaks the chains**  
**And every knee will bow**  
**before the Lion and the Lamb**  
**Every knee will bow before Him**

**So open up the gates**  
**Make way before the King of kings**  
**The God who comes to save**  
**Is here to set the captives free**  
**For who can stop the Lord Almighty**

**Our God is the Lion**  
**The Lion of Judah**  
**He's roaring with power**  
**And fighting our battles**  
**And every knee will bow before Him**

**Our God is the Lamb  
The Lamb that was slain  
For the sins of the world  
His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow  
before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before Him**

**Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord Almighty  
Who can stop the Lord!**

**Our God is the Lion  
The Lion of Judah  
He's roaring with power  
And fighting our battles  
And every knee will bow before Him**

**Our God is the Lamb  
The Lamb that was slain  
For the sins of the world  
His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow  
before the Lion and the Lamb  
Every knee will bow before Him**

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