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 - congregation stands.  - congregation sits.  - congregation kneels.
 - congregation sings. Congregation responds in **bold print**.

*Children are encouraged to stand, sit, and kneel with the congregation.
If you are uncomfortable standing or kneeling, you may choose to sit.*

Welcome visitors and guests. We are glad to have you worshiping with us today and would be happy to answer any questions you may have about our congregation. Please feel free to speak with one of the pastors or call the church during the week.

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As we gather, please note that some people prefer to reconnect with their church family and friends in the narthex (lobby area) prior to the service, while others prefer to meditate and pray in the sanctuary in preparation for worship. The ushers will try to keep the glass doors closed so that the joyful noise of church-family conversation in the narthex and the holy silence of preparation for worship in the sanctuary can co-exist before the service begins. Suggested prayers to help you prepare for worship can be found on the inside front cover of the hymnal in the pews.

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Our services generally come out of the various settings in the Lutheran Service Book (the hymnal in the pews). Note that the liturgy setting, We encourage people to have a hymnal for in-home use as well. Contact the office if you would like to order one.

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Most of our services include a corporate confession of sins and absolution (forgiveness) from God through the pastor. Occasionally we have Matins or other services which do not include this brief rite. We always offer individual confession and absolution by appointment and encourage our members to make use of this great gift of God.

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Holy Communion is celebrated at each of our regular weekend services and on other special days in the church year. In accordance with the historic practice of the Christian Church, our congregation practices close communion, meaning that normally our members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations commune here. Please speak to one of the pastors about exceptions to this general practice. Please also note that this practice in no way intends to comment on the state of anyone else's faith; we simply understand our communing together as also a public profession of unity in doctrine, which not everyone shares. Those who do not commune here may come forward for a blessing (simply fold your arms over your heart to indicate that you are not communing) or remain in the pew during communion and pray, particularly for visible unity in the Christian Church.

*Out of respect for God's House and your fellow worshipers,
please turn off or silence cell phones prior to this Worship Service. Thank you for your co-operation.*

Faith Lutheran Church
Green Bay, Wisconsin

Prelude "At the Lamb's High Feast" - setting by Jacob Weber

HYMN: "With High Delight Let Us Unite" - LSB #483

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

This is my commandment,
that you love one another as I have loved you.

You did not choose me,
but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit

These things I command you,
so that you will love one another. (John 15)

Alleluia, Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.


Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

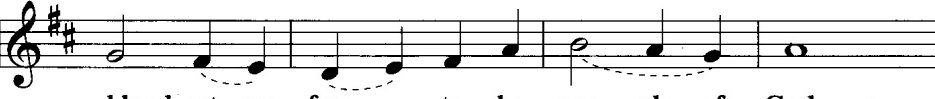
HYMN OF PRAISE: "This is the Feast"

verse 1 - women; verse 2 - men;
verse 3 - women (double verse; no refrain between); verse 4 - men

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.


1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -


blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.


Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

+ SCRIPTURES FOR THE DAY +

FIRST READING

Acts 10: 34-48

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."

While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God.

Then Peter declared, "Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 John 5:1-8

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world— our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!_____

We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never | die again;
death no longer has dominion | over him. *Romans 6:9*



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!_____

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
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.

HYMN: "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"



1. Lord, You give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and
2. Lord, You call us to Your ser - vice: "In my name bap -
3. Lord, You bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion And the
tize and teach." That the world may trust Your pro - mise, Life a -
to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing, May we



gos - pel go un - heard, Help us wit - ness to Your
bun - dant meant for each, Give us all new fer - vor,
serve as You in - tend And, a - mid the cares that



pur - pose With re - newed in - te - gri - ty: With the Spir - it's
draw us Clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty: With the Spir - it's
claim us, Hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty: With the Spir - it's



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SERMON: Pastor Joshua Errer

10:30 RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Adiella Sophia Athey
Anthony Hector Blanc Hohn
Emily Irene Bushkie
Evelyn Anna Buyarski

Carter Charles Knox
Evelyn Phyllis Polomis
Charlie Thomas Ristow
Benjamin Louis Shipley

OFFERING

PRAYERS

+ SACRAMENT +

(adapted from Divine Service, Setting Two in *Lutheran Service Book*, p. 177)

PREFACE



P The Lord be with you.

C And al-so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

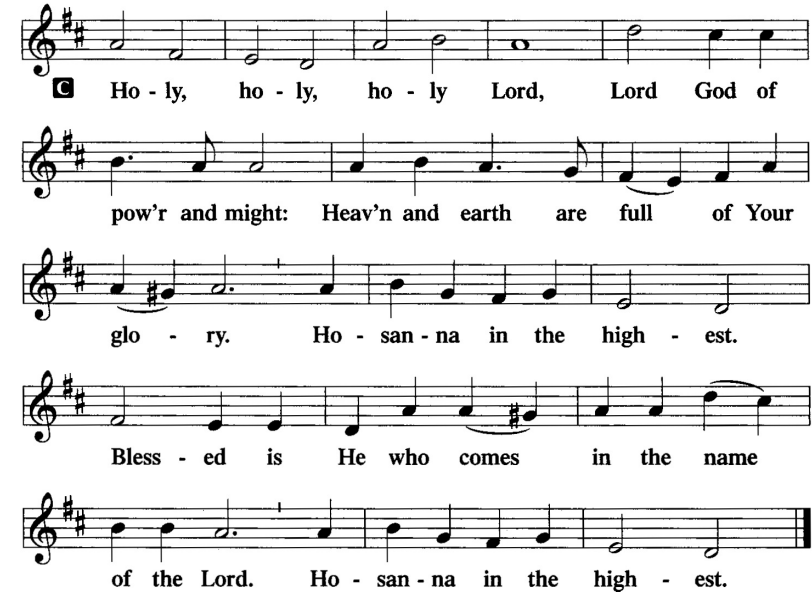
C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS



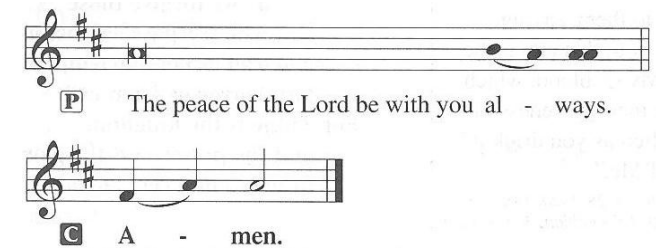
C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.

C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;
 have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of
 God, You take a-way the sin of the world;
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

Visitors, please see the inside front cover of the bulletin for an explanation of our communion practice. Also, non-alcoholic wine is available in the individual cups. It is the clear wine in the cups at the center of the tray. Note: If you prefer to receive from the chalice, simply do not take one of the individual cups. The pastor will follow with the chalice.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing” - LSB #633

“Jesus Loves Me, This I Know” - LSB #588

“Christ Be My Leader” - LSB #861

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN: “He Lives! He Lives!”

Refrain
 He lives! He lives!— the Lamb who once was slain! He
 lives!— our Lord now raised to life a - gain!

1 For as in Ad - am, death we all de - rive;
 2 Christ is the first - fruits and the guar - an - tee:
 3 That which is sown in weak - ness and with tears
 4 Then shall the truth long - prom - ised come to be;
 5 So may His con - quest all our doubts de - stroy,

Refrain
 So too in Christ shall all be made a - live!
 A har - vest clothed with im - mor - tal - i - ty!
 Is raised in glo - ry when our Lord ap - pears!
 All death is swal - lowed up in vic - to - ry!
 For Je - sus lives— our res - ur - rec - tion joy!

Postlude

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