

## **EASTER VIGIL**

APRIL 3, 2021

7:00 pm

Grace Lutheran Church  
Wenatchee, WA



### **Welcome to Grace!**

*The stained-glass windows in our church display a beautiful collection of glass pieces, each one unique and important. The same is true for all of God's children. As people of Grace Lutheran Church, our diversity makes us stronger and more resilient.*

*We strive to welcome all. We want to be a church where all are safe, all are welcome. Believers, non-believers, doubters, seekers and questioners: You are welcome here. Old and young. Able or disabled. People of all sexual orientations and gender identities: You are welcome here. Rich and poor. Black, brown and white: You are welcome here. Jeans and a t-shirt or a suit and tie. Addiction and mental health concerns: You are welcome here.*

*You are welcomed and valued here, because we are all pieces of stained glass, broken and beautiful in our own way.*

*As a church, we resolve to open our hearts, our minds, and our doors. We seek to reconcile ourselves to one another and to God, the master artist.*

### **Our Mission Statement**

"To proclaim and celebrate the gospel of Jesus Christ through word and sacraments so that a community of believers is created, trained, nurtured, and sent into mission."

## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### GREETING

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**G** **And also with you.**

**P** Sisters and brothers in Christ, on this most holy night when our Savior Jesus Christ passed from death to life, we gather with the church throughout the world in vigil and prayer. This is the passover of Jesus Christ. Through light and the word, through water and oil, bread and wine, we proclaim Christ's death and resurrection, share Christ's triumph over sin and death, and await Christ's coming again in glory.

Let us pray.

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ you have given the light of life to all the world. Bless this new fire, and increase in us a desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising, until we feast at the banquet of eternal light; through the Sun of righteousness, Jesus Christ our Lord.

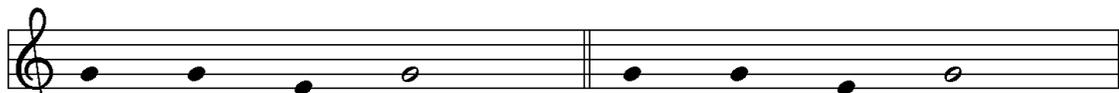
**G** **Amen.**

**P** The light of Christ, rising in glory,  
dispel the darkness of our | hearts and minds.

## PROCESSION

*The procession begins ...*

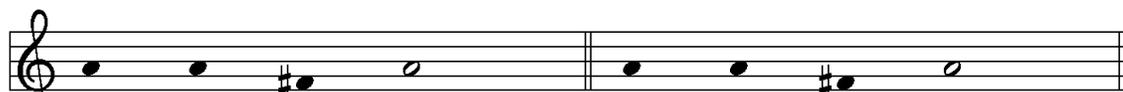
*As the procession begins, the leader sings:*



The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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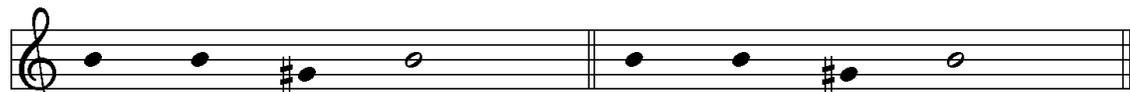
*The procession continues, stopping at midpoint. The leader continues:*



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*The procession continues. The leader continues as the paschal candle is placed in its stand.*



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## EASTER PROCLAMATION

**P** Rejoice, now, all heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!...Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people. The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

☐ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,...

This is the night **[This is the night]**

in which, in ancient times,  
you delivered our forebears, the children of Israel,  
and led them, dry-shod, through the sea.

This is the night **[This is the night]**

in which the darkness of sin has been purged away by the rising  
brightness.

This is the night **[This is the night]**

in which all who believe in Christ are rescued from evil and the gloom  
of sin,

are renewed in grace, and are restored to holiness.

This is the night **[This is the night]**

in which, breaking the chains of death, Christ arises from hell in  
triumph.

O night truly blessed which alone was worthy to know  
the time and hour in which Christ arose again from hell!

This is the night **[This is the night]**

of which it is written: "The night is as clear as the day," ...

This is the night **[This is the night]**

in which heaven and earth are joined...who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☑ **Amen.**

# HYMN OF REMEMBRANCE

## ELW 353, *Were You There*



- 1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
- 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
- 3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
- 4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
- 5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



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Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



Oh, some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Text: African American spiritual

Music: WERE YOU THERE, African American spiritual

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ. Renew your church with the Spirit given us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth and may shine as a light in the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

## VIGIL READING: Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13

<sup>1</sup>Then the LORD said to Noah, “Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you alone are righteous before me in this generation. <sup>2</sup>Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and its mate; and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and its mate; <sup>3</sup>and seven pairs of the birds of the air also, male and female, to keep their kind alive on the face of all the earth. <sup>4</sup>For in seven days I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground.” <sup>5</sup>And Noah did all that the LORD had commanded him.

<sup>11</sup>In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened. <sup>12</sup>The rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights. <sup>13</sup>On the very same day Noah with his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah’s

wife and the three wives of his sons entered the ark, <sup>14</sup>they and every wild animal of every kind, and all domestic animals of every kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every bird of every kind—every bird, every winged creature. <sup>15</sup>They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. <sup>16</sup>And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the LORD shut him in.

<sup>17</sup>The flood continued forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. <sup>18</sup>The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

<sup>8:6</sup>At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made <sup>7</sup>and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. <sup>8</sup>Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; <sup>9</sup>but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. <sup>10</sup>He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; <sup>11</sup>and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. <sup>12</sup>Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more.

<sup>13</sup>In the six hundred first year, in the first month, on the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. <sup>14</sup>In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. <sup>15</sup>Then God said to Noah, <sup>16</sup>“Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons’ wives with you. <sup>17</sup>Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all

flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” <sup>18</sup>So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives.

<sup>9:8</sup>Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” <sup>12</sup>God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.”

## RESPONSE: Psalm 46

<sup>1</sup>God is our ref- | uge and strength,  
a very present | help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths | of the sea;**

<sup>3</sup>though its waters | rage and foam,  
and though the mountains tremble | with its tumult.

<sup>4</sup>**There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,  
the holy habitation of | the Most High.**

<sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall | not be shaken;  
God shall help it at the | break of day.

<sup>6</sup>The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake;

**God speaks, and the earth | melts away.**

<sup>7</sup>The LORD of | hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

<sup>8</sup>**Come now, regard the works | of the LORD,**

**what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;**

<sup>9</sup>behold the one who makes war to cease in | all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the | shields  
with fire.

<sup>10</sup>**“Be still, then, and know that | I am God;**

**I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth.”**

<sup>11</sup>The LORD of | hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

## **PRAYER**

**P** O God, strength of the powerless and light in all darkness: Look in mercy upon your church, a wonderful and sacred mystery, that it may be an ark of peace in the midst of chaos. Let the whole world come to see that what was fallen is being raised up, that what was old is being made new, and that all things are being restored to wholeness through the one from whom they first took being, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

**VIGIL READING: Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6**

<sup>1</sup>Does not wisdom call,  
and does not understanding raise her voice?

<sup>2</sup>On the heights, beside the way,  
at the crossroads she takes her stand;

<sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town,  
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

<sup>4</sup>“To you, O people, I call,  
and my cry is to all that live.

<sup>5</sup>O simple ones, learn prudence;  
acquire intelligence, you who lack it.

<sup>6</sup>Hear, for I will speak noble things,  
and from my lips will come what is right;

<sup>7</sup>for my mouth will utter truth;  
wickedness is an abomination to my lips.

<sup>8</sup>All the words of my mouth are righteous;  
there is nothing twisted or crooked in them.

<sup>19</sup>My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold,  
and my yield than choice silver.

<sup>20</sup>I walk in the way of righteousness,  
along the paths of justice,

<sup>21</sup>endowing with wealth those who love me,  
and filling their treasuries.

<sup>9:4b</sup>To those without sense she says,

<sup>5</sup>“Come, eat of my bread  
and drink of the wine I have mixed.

<sup>6</sup>Lay aside immaturity, and live,  
and walk in the way of insight.”

## RESPONSE: Psalm 19

<sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,  
and the sky proclaims its | maker's handiwork.

<sup>2</sup>One day tells its tale | to another,  
and one night imparts knowledge | to another.

<sup>3</sup>**Although they have no | words or language,  
and their voices | are not heard,**

<sup>4</sup>**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the  
ends | of the world,  
where God has pitched a tent | for the sun.**

<sup>5</sup>It comes forth like a bridegroom out | of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to | run its course.

<sup>6</sup>It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about  
to the end of | it again;  
nothing is hidden from its | burning heat.

<sup>7</sup>**The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to | the simple.**

<sup>8</sup>**The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | joice the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the eyes.**

<sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever;  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.

<sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold,  
sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.

<sup>11</sup>**By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened,  
and in keeping them there is | great reward.**

<sup>12</sup>**Who can detect one's | own offenses?  
Cleanse me from my | secret faults.**

<sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion | over me;  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a | great offense.  
<sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable | in your sight,  
O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer.

## **PRAYER**

**P** O God, our wisdom, teacher of truth, you fill your house by continuing to call all peoples into the way of insight. With your food and drink sustain us in the path of justice, and by your love watch over those whom you have called through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

## **VIGIL READING: Ezekiel 36:24-28**

<sup>24</sup>I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. <sup>25</sup>I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. <sup>26</sup>A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup>I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. <sup>28</sup>Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

## RESPONSE: Psalm 42--43

<sup>1</sup>As the deer longs | for the water-brooks,  
so longs my soul for | you, O God.

<sup>2</sup>I thirst for God, for the | living God;  
when shall I come to appear before the pres- | ence of God?

<sup>3</sup>**My tears have been my food | day and night,  
while all day long they say to me, “Where now | is your God?”**

<sup>4</sup>**I pour out my soul when I think | on these things;  
how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,  
with shouts of thanksgiving, among those | keeping festival.**

<sup>5</sup>Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so  
disquiet- | ed within me?

Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my  
help | and my God.

<sup>6</sup>My soul is heav- | y within me;

therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the  
peak of Mizar among the | heights of Hermon.

<sup>7</sup>**One deep calls to another in the roar of | your cascades;  
all your rapids and floods have gone | over me.**

<sup>8</sup>**The LORD grants lovingkindness | in the daytime;  
in the night season the LORD’s song is with me, a prayer to the God  
| of my life.**

<sup>9</sup>I will say to the God of my strength, “Why have you re- | jected me,  
and why do I wander in such gloom while the enemy op- | presses  
me?”

<sup>10</sup>While my bones are being broken, my enemies mock me | to my  
face;  
all day long they mock me and say to me, “Where now | is your  
God?”

**<sup>11</sup>Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquiet- | ed within me?**

**Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help | and my God.**

## **PRAYER**

**P** God of holiness and mercy, in the dying and rising of Christ you have established a new covenant of reconciliation for us all. Cleanse our hearts and give us a new spirit, that by your saving grace we may live as your people, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

## **VIGIL READING: Jonah 1:1--2:1**

<sup>1</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah son of Amittai, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Go at once to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it; for their wickedness has come up before me.” <sup>3</sup>But Jonah set out to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid his fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD.

<sup>4</sup>But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea, and such a mighty storm came upon the sea that the ship threatened to break up. <sup>5</sup>Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried to his god. They threw the cargo that was in the ship into the sea, to lighten it for them. Jonah, meanwhile, had gone down into the hold of the ship and had lain down, and was fast asleep. <sup>6</sup>The captain came and said to him, “What are you doing sound asleep? Get up, call on your god! Perhaps the god will spare us a thought so that we do not perish.”

<sup>7</sup>The sailors said to one another, “Come, let us cast lots, so that we may know on whose account this calamity has come upon us.” So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. <sup>8</sup>Then they said to him, “Tell us why this calamity has come upon us. What is your occupation? Where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?” <sup>9</sup>“I am a Hebrew,” he replied. “I worship the LORD, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.” <sup>10</sup>Then the men were even more afraid, and said to him, “What is this that you have done!” For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them so.

<sup>11</sup>Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?” For the sea was growing more and more tempestuous. <sup>12</sup>He said to them, “Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you; for I know it is because of me that this great storm has come upon you.” <sup>13</sup>Nevertheless the men rowed hard to bring the ship back to land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more stormy against them. <sup>14</sup>Then they cried out to the LORD, “Please, O LORD, we pray, do not let us perish on account of this man’s life. Do not make us guilty of innocent blood; for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you.” <sup>15</sup>So they picked Jonah up and threw him into the sea; and the sea ceased from its raging. <sup>16</sup>Then the men feared the LORD even more, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows.

<sup>17</sup>But the LORD provided a large fish to swallow up Jonah; and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

<sup>2:1</sup>Then Jonah prayed to the LORD his God from the belly of the fish.

## RESPONSE: Jonah 2:2-9

<sup>2</sup>I called to the LORD out of my distress, and you | answered me;  
out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you | heard my voice.

<sup>3</sup>**You cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, and the flood  
sur- | rounded me;  
all your waves and your billows passed | over me.**

<sup>4</sup>Then I said, “I am driven away | from your sight;  
how shall I look again upon your | holy temple?”

<sup>5</sup>**The waters closed in over me; the deep sur- | rounded me;  
weeds were wrapped around my head <sup>6</sup>at the roots | of the  
mountains.**

I went down to the land whose bars closed upon | me forever;  
yet you brought up my life from the Pit, O | LORD my God.

<sup>7</sup>**As my life was ebbing away, I remem- | bered the LORD;  
and my prayer came to you, into your | holy temple.**

<sup>8</sup>Those who wor- | ship vain idols  
forsake | their true loyalty.

<sup>9</sup>**But I with the voice of thanksgiving will sacri- | fice to you;  
what I have vowed I will pay. Deliverance belongs | to the LORD!**

## PRAYER

**P** O God of deliverance, you saved Jonah through the waters of death, and after three days you brought him to new life. Speak to us by this sign, and call us to repentance, that we may heed the voice of your risen Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

## GOSPEL: John 20:1-18

**P** The holy gospel according to John.

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

*This morning begins with confusion: the stone has been moved and the tomb is empty. Disciples arrive, then angels, and finally Jesus himself. Out of the confusion, hope emerges, and a weeping woman becomes the first to confess her faith in the risen Lord.*

<sup>1</sup>Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” <sup>3</sup>Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was

Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The gospel of the Lord.

**☞ Praise to you, O Christ.**

## MUSICAL OFFERING

***I Know That My Redeemer Liveth***

George Frederic Handel

performed by Clara Eickhoff and Judy Olson

## SERMON

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

*Asher Jin-Gyu Didesh*

### PRESENTATION

**P** In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

**R** We present Asher Jin-Gyu for baptism.

**P** Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

**R** I do.

**P** As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,  
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten  
Commandments,  
place in his hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture him in faith and prayer,  
so that your child may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

**R** I do.

**P** Sponsors, do you promise to nurture this person in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

**R** I do.

**P** People of God, do you promise to support Asher and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

**C** **We do.**

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**P** I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**C** **I renounce them.**

**P** Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**C** **I renounce them.**

**P** Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**C** **I renounce them.**

**P** Do you believe in God the Father?

**C** **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C** **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**P** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C** **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

#### **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P** We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning... through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

#### **BAPTISM**

**P** Asher Jin-Gyu, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized.**

**Alleluia.**

**P** Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Asher with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Asher Jin-Gyu, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**C** Amen.

## WELCOME

**P** Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C** **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**P** Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

**P** Hear us, O God.

**C** **Your mercy is great.**

**P** We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## PEACE

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C** **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.**

## **SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## **BLESSING**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

# SENDING SONG

## ELW 365, *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4  
Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

## DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**C** Thanks be to God.

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