

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those “who have come out of the great ordeal” in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

** All who are able may stand; congregation reads bold print*

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God—
a time for silent meditation in preparation for worship

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

To A Wild Rose
Allegro String Quartet

Edward MacDowell

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God.

God of grace and glory, **you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus’ resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

Rejoice with all creation around God’s throne! The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride. Jesus Christ loves you and frees you from your sins by his blood. ☩
Amen.

* **GATHERING SONG** **Crown Him with Many Crowns**

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Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,
hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.
A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;
and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

The musical score consists of five systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4
Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

* **GREETING**

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

And also with you.

* CANTICLE OF PRAISE

This is the Feast



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

Robe of Calvary Kathleen Twomey & Fred White
Kirk Douglas, bass; Henri Venanzi, piano

READING

Revelation 7:9-17

A reading from Revelation the 7th chapter.

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*** GOSPEL**

John 10: 22-30

The holy Gospel according to John the 10th Chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep.

²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor, Michael Johnson

The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877
 Music: ST. COLUMBA, Irish tune

*** NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*** PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

*** PEACE**

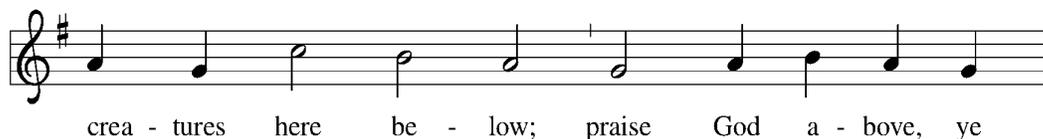
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

MUSIC OFFERING

La Primavera (Le Quattro Stagioni) Antonio Vivaldi
Allegro String Quartet

*** OFFERING RESPONSE Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

*** OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>MEAL</i> God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ</p>
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*** DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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

*** HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

*** WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*** LORD'S PRAYER**

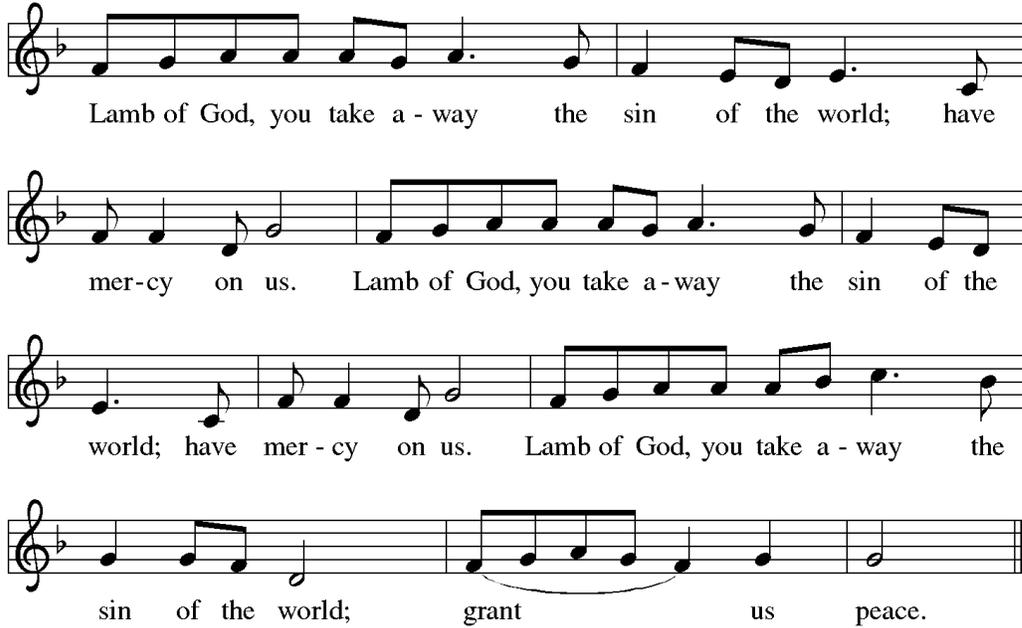
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION

Communion is served by intinction. Dip the wafer in the wine-filled chalice or take pre-poured wine "red" or grape juice from the tray.

Also, the cup in the center of the host (bread) plate contains gluten-free wafers.

LAMB OF GOD



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.

* BLESSING AND PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, generous God, **for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.**

Amen.

* BLESSING

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.



Amen.

* **SENDING SONG** Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

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Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -



vo - tion voic - ing: glo - ry be to God on high!
one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
lert and liv - ing in your Spir - it, strong and free.



Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this eu - cha -
by your blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your bod - y,
Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in



rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
ev - 'ry na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - l'wers be.

Text: Howard C. A. Gaunt, 1902–1983, alt.

Music: ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGEN, Johann Löhner, 1645–1705, adapt.

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* **DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace, serve the Lord

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Allegro Pomposo in C

Thomas Adams

Lincoln Wright, organ

Health Issues

Cindy Cooley
Yessica Tapia Pastor Veronica's niece
Lindsey Cameron Skladany's friend
Ryan McKendrick Mark Kennedy's friend
Chuck Marano Heather's friend
Toni Lusk Hainy's friends
Paula Skladany's daughter
Bruce Skladany's friend
Suzanne Ingram McGinnis friend
Susie Bradstock Clark's friend
Jerry & Pat Baggett Saunders' friend
Pastor Roger Noer Keith & Kristy's friend
JoAnn Maguire Nicolette Bonnsetter's mother
Budd Florkiewicz Dan Nelson's friend
Charles Dan Nelson's friend
Larry & Joyce Vetch Hainy's friends
Kathryn Topping Linda Truitt's friend
Stu Broeren Dan & Diane Nelson's friend
George Joan McGinnis' cousin
Jaren David Corral Kennedy's friend's bro
Stacey Truman Nelson's friend
Larry Lebaroff Pastor Mike's friend
Joe Podolak Saunders' friend
Chuck Frost Pastor Mike & Joy's friend
Ron Flanders Marilyn's brother
Krystin Flanders
Scott Farrington
Susan Farrington
Sara Flanders

Special Intentions

John Nunrich Lund's grandson
Chuck & Darlene Donna Guerin's cousin
Family of Pete Lee
Jenny Hill Truitt's friend
Germaine Truitt's friend
Donna Doug Bessemer's sister
Glen E (Missionary) Richard Alcorn's friend
Jorie & Lester Westphal
Mike Besemer

Cancer

Carole Lynnes
Jane Kennedy's friend
Tiffany Josie's daughter
Mr. Alvarez Kennedy's friend
Jim Curry Kennedy & Nelson's friend
Julie Miron Sharon Kittle's sister
Sam Graunke Jerry's grandson
Gabrielle Jacob's friend
Craig Wampler Dan Nelson's bro-in-law
Missy Linda Truitt's friend
Mike Strosnider Susan Farrington's friend
Cooper Rhea Barb Graunke's nephew
Andrea Schlueter Ed Swanson's niece
Nicholas Teknos McGinnis family member
Ruth Mueller Flach's friend
Jamie Smith Nelson's friend
Lois Landborg Burns friend
Steve Boccieri Bessemer's friend
George McClung Dave Burns friend
Sheila Ellis Bob & Dian Flach friend
Randy Jacobs Joy's nephew
Paul Skoog Nelson's friend
Tom Dan Nelson's friend
Debbie Chevalier Pam McGinnis. Best friend
Mary Lewison McGinnis friend
Ellen Murphy Bill Murphy's friend
John White Jan Murphy's friend
Joel Lassman Nelson's friend

Recovery

Frances Emerson
Susan Hamm
Lincoln Wright
Joel Smith
Kim Skladany's friend

Home Bound

Jean Bente
Donna Carrie
Jean Deckard