

Announcements

THE WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS:

Pastor: Elten Zerby
Music: Linda Monahan
Coffee hour: The Halverson's
Flowers: Cathy Halverson
Communion Asst.: Carol Rife
Reader: Roger Amundson
Greeter: Mary Roundy and Jane Vaughn

Next week

Rev. Denise Arnold
Jan Thompson
Paula Zerby
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Boyd Burns
Candace Kolberg
Kasha Banko

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Cathy Halverson in memory of Jo Zylstra.

JOIN US FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Tuesday & Thursday - Sit & be fit-10:30 in the fellowship hall.

Every Thursdays - Prayer 10:00 am

Auction items are needed for the April 21st auction. Some ideas: baked goods, hosting dinners, crafts and any other items you can come up with. Any questions contact Jackie.

Apr. 14 - Council meeting after service

Apr. 20 - Church Spring clean-up & neighborhood clean-up for Earth day from 10am – 1 pm. Wear or bring your cleaning clothes to help with clean up in the church and around the neighborhood.

Apr. 21 - Spring auction fundraiser after church.

Apr. 24 - Bunco fun!!! Bring an appetizer to share & beverage of your choice. 5:30pm in fellowship hall, everyone welcome.

Apr. 30 – Deadline for submitting church event photos for April events presentation to Peggy at pegwinston@q.com.

Apr. 30 – Deadline for submitting photos of your mother, grandmother or great grandmother for the Mother's Day slide presentation. Submit to pegwinston@q.com.

May 5 - Cinco de Mayo – Let's Taco about Jesus after service.

May 11 - Men's Breakfast 8:00 am in the fellowship hall.

May 12 - Mother's Day – Hot Dogs & Root Beer after service.

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Third Sunday of Easter

ELW Holy Communion Setting Ten

Sunday, April 14, 2024



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

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GATHERING SONG *Now the Green Blade Rises* (ELW 379)

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.**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.
Amen.

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

**We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.**

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

**In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.**

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

**By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,
freeing us to live as Easter people.**

**We rejoice with glad hearts,
giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.
Amen.**

SENDING

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

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
✠ bless you now and always.

SENDING SONG *I Know that My Redeemer Lives!* (ELW 619)

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us
in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG

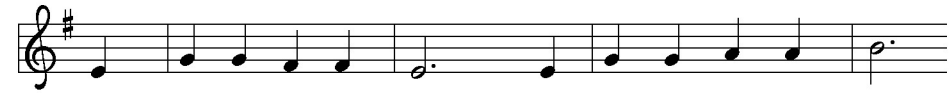


1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

KYRIE



1 Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol-emn prayer.
2 Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a-way our sin.
3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de-part.



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be-gin.
Re-new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre-ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for-ev-er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a-lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre-a-tion, Fa-ther of sur-pass-ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav-ior, you have come from heav'n a-bove;
Ho-ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex-alt you, we a-dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir-it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an-gels bow be-fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re-store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in-her-it, glo-ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, 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.

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

A reading from Acts.

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.” Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender¹ of my cause;
you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and¹ hear my prayer.

²“**You mortals, how long will you dishon-¹ or my glory;
how long will you love illusions and seek¹ after lies?”**

³Know that the LORD does wonders¹ for the faithful;
the LORD will hear me¹ when I call.

⁴**Tremble, then, and¹ do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence up-¹ on your bed. R**

⁵Offer the appointed¹ sacrifices,

OFFERING PRAYER

**Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

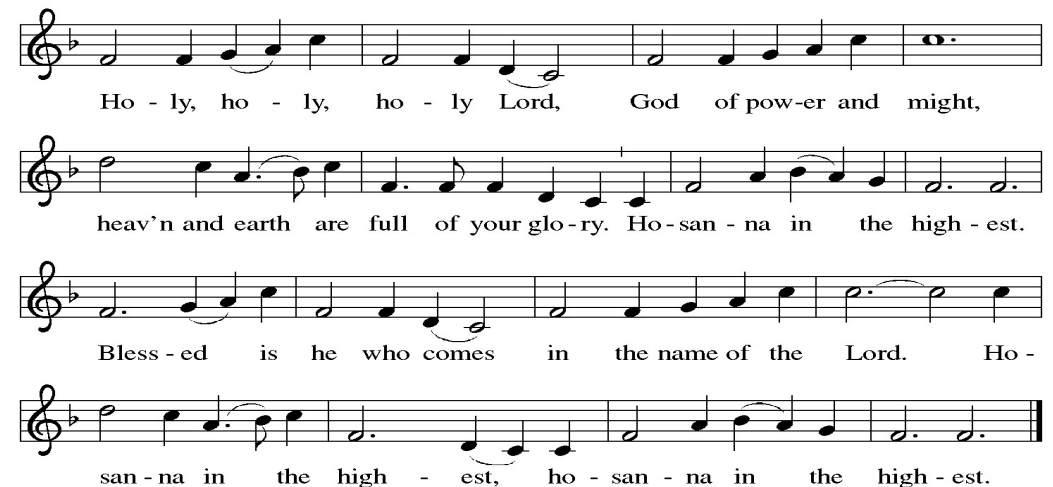
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful
Offering Song

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
 bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
 we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
 all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
 with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

and put your trust¹ in the LORD.

⁶Many are saying, “Who will show us¹ any good?”

Let the light of your face shine upon¹ us, O LORD.

⁷You have put gladness¹ in my heart,
more than when grain and¹ wine abound.

⁸**In peace, I will lie¹ down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me¹ rest secure. R**

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7

A reading from 1 John.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

²Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC BY Barbara Myers – The Commission

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.
 Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less* (ELW 597)

EASTER CREED

I believe in the God of Easter morning who awakes us from our darkest dreams and leads us into the light of a new day, who meets our pessimism with stunning hope of angelic proclamation. I believe in the God of Easter Day who beats us to the obstacles in our lives and empties the dark tomb for us; who appears in surprising ways when we least expect it; walking with us on our detours. I believe in the God of Easter evening who breaks into our closets and prisons, bringing peace and crushing our fear. I believe in the risen Lord who meets us with wounds on his hands and feet; who grants us his spirit, sending us out to bring Shalom to the world. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

O God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our elder, you care for all your children. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry (*ministry context may be named*). Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For what else do the people of God pray?

O God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever. We remember our beloved who have died (*especially*). As we remember and share their love, comfort those who mourn. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.