

# AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 8, 2022**

## **PRELUDE AND WELCOME**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**


Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

**Amen.**

Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

God and Father of all,

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ,  you are a new creation: your sins are taken away and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. **Amen.**

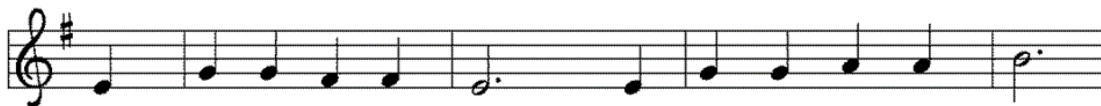
**GATHERING SONG** “*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*”

**ELW #369**

## **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**

## 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!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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## FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43

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The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 23

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## SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9-17

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The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## 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: John 10:22-30**

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The holy gospel according to Luke, the tenth chapter . **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

### **SERMON**

**LPA Lorrie Vennes**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY** “*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*”

**ELW #789**

### **CREED**

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

**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 into hell.**

**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.**

**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.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

God in your mercy...hear our prayer

### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## OFFERING PRAYER

**Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry our love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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.

## DISTRIBUTION OF 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.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

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

**ELW #544**

### DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

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Lorrie Vennes, a Lay Pastoral Associate, has been authorized by the Bishop of the Montana Synod to provide pastoral services in this congregation this Sunday.

### TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Lynnette Evanson, Linda Holland, Lovie Hanson, Mike and Vicky Ryles, Carole Fagerli, Clarke Smith, Carol O'Dell, Holly Happe, Erica and McKenzie Evanson, the family of Deanna Egeland

### MEASURES OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

Offering last week: \$4,345.00

Year to Date: \$29,985.00

Needed weekly: \$ 1,615.00

Needed Year to Date: \$29,070.00

Attendance last Sunday-33

**Thank you for your Faithfulness!**

**THANK YOU** to Kate Sorensen for leading our music this morning, to Dennis and Kitty Springer for their worship team duties and to Jane Haugen for altar care.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers this morning are in memory of Deanna Egeland.

### RESOURCE CENTER BIRTHDAY BAGS

The Food Resource Center is again requesting items for birthday bags. These bags include foil cake pans, cake and frosting mixes, candles, small bottle of vegetable oil, greeting card and gift bag. Please place items in the grocery cart. They will be packaged and delivered.

## **AGAPE CIRCLE**

Agape Circle will meet on the afternoon of May 15th at 2:00 here at church. Please bring an appetizer to share.

Throughout the season of Easter you are invited to bring in something that represents God's presence to you or through which you have experienced God's presence. These objects can be placed near the altar and large cross to remind us that God is alive and God continues to be present in our world.

Pastor Melissa is looking for a few people who would be willing to host a meal for about 4-8 people (including yourself). These meals will offer an opportunity for us to gather around tables together to worship, deepen relationships with one another, engage scripture, and experience Communion in a different way. See Pastor Melissa's letter in the May newsletter or talk with her for more details.

## **MAY WORSHIP TEAMS**

The following teams are scheduled for May...

May 15-Don & Lana Sheen

May 22-Dale Siegle & Deb Downs

May 29-Tena Versland, Dale & Gloria Guidi

