

Sunday, April 26, 2020 — Third Sunday of Easter

# University Lutheran Church Lutheran Campus Ministry

10:30 AM Worship Service



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# SUNDAY WORSHIP

**PRELUDE**

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## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins.*

**P** Returning again to the waters of our baptism, we begin in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**P** Let us confess our sin before God and in the presence of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** Gracious and merciful God,

**C** **we confess to you the truth of our broken lives.**

**We have not trusted your promises or walked in your ways.**

**We have hoarded and squandered the gifts of your creation.**

**We have failed to welcome the stranger and the outcast, and to make room at the table for the homeless and the hungry.**

**We have neither worked to release the oppressed nor admitted our own captivities.**

**Forgive our sin, heal our lives, and set us free that we might live with your whole creation in the justice and joy of your promised future.**

**P** God, who is merciful and kind, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, hears the cries of all who plead for mercy and, in these last days, has sent Christ Jesus to announce the good news of forgiveness and release to all who are bound by guilt or broken by shame, that they might praise God and serve the world with glad and generous hearts. For freedom Christ has set you free.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

# OPENING HYMN

# COME, THOU FONT OF EVERY BLESSING



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith - er by thy help I've come";  
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
 let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,  
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;  
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.  
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.  
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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

C And also with you.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,  
 all of cre - a - tion sings for joy  
 to the God of life and love and  
 free - dom: praise and glo - ry for - ev -

er - more!

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once

slain, whose blood has freed and u -

nit - ed us to be one great

peo - ple of God. *to Refrain*

2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and

might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ

for - ev - er. *to Refrain*

3. For God has come to dwell with us,

to make us peo - ple of God; to make



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**A** Let us pray. O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## FIRST READING

**Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

<sup>14a</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]:  
<sup>36</sup>"Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." <sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" <sup>38</sup>Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." <sup>40</sup>And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation."  
<sup>41</sup>So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

*The Psalm will be spoken in unison.*

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, who has <sup>|</sup> heard my voice,  
and listened to my <sup>|</sup> supplication,

<sup>2</sup>**for the LORD has given <sup>|</sup> ear to me  
whenev- <sup>|</sup> er I called.**

<sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave <sup>|</sup> came upon me;  
I came to <sup>|</sup> grief and sorrow.

<sup>4</sup>**Then I called upon the name <sup>|</sup> of the LORD:**

**"O LORD, I pray you, <sup>|</sup> save my life."**

<sup>12</sup>How shall I re- <sup>|</sup> pay the LORD  
for all the good things God has <sup>|</sup> done for me?

<sup>13</sup>**I will lift the cup <sup>|</sup> of salvation  
and call on the name <sup>|</sup> of the LORD.**

<sup>14</sup>I will fulfill my vows <sup>|</sup> to the LORD  
in the presence of <sup>|</sup> all God's people.

<sup>15</sup>**Precious in your <sup>|</sup> sight, O LORD,  
is the death <sup>|</sup> of your servants.**

<sup>16</sup>O LORD, truly I <sup>|</sup> am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me <sup>|</sup> from my bonds.

<sup>17</sup>**I will offer you the sacrifice <sup>|</sup> of thanksgiving  
and call upon the name <sup>|</sup> of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup>I will fulfill my vows <sup>|</sup> to the LORD  
in the presence of <sup>|</sup> all God's people,

<sup>19</sup>in the courts of | the LORD's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. | Hallelujah!

## SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:17-23

<sup>17</sup>If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup>You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup>He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup>Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. <sup>22</sup>Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup>You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Congregation:*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord to whom shall we  
go? — You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life: Al - le - lu - ia!



**P** The Holy Gospel according to Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.

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

<sup>13</sup>Now on that same day [when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene,] two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" <sup>19</sup>He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. <sup>28</sup>As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

<sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

## HOMILY

Gary N. McCluskey, Pastor

## HYMN OF THE DAY

## DAY OF ARISING



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,  
 2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,  
 3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.  
 4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.  
 blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,  
 This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:  
 bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,  
 yet Christ walks with us, ev - er a - wait - ing  
 when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,  
 Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.  
 our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.  
 there Christ is with us in bread and wine.  
 that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

## APOSTLES' CREED

**C** 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 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.  
 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

**A** Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence. After each portion of the prayers the Assistant will say:*

A Lord, in your mercy.

*The congregation will respond with:*

C **hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

P With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

## THE PEACE IS SHARED

P The peace of Christ be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

## OFFERTORY

## WE ARE AN OFFERING

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major, 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 7-measure rest. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff features a triplet of eighth notes. The fourth staff concludes the piece with a final note.

We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an  
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our  
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,  
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:  
 we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

## OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray. Merciful God,

C our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Feed us again at this table for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ. Amen.

*Thank you to all who continue to support our ministry through your prayers, your calls, emails, and texts. Thank you to all who continue to support our ministry with your financial gifts. We know some in our community have lost their jobs and others have had theirs significantly scaled back. We continue to have the same needs of financial support along with a few additional costs as we operate much differently during this time. You may contribute financially on line through our web site by clicking on the Give+ icon and following instructions.*

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 340 E. 15th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281*

*Thank you!*

P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray,

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

Now and forever. Amen.

# BENEDICTION

P May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing.

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

# CLOSING HYMN

# GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple  
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -  
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;  
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.  
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

## SENDING

A Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## POSTLUDE

Aiko Yamada Mancini

## Participants in Worship

### ***Pastor***

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