

Thanksgiving for Baptism

(Please stand if you are able)

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

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: 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!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: 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. **C: Amen.**

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Greeting

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.**

Gathering Hymn "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" Hymn 365



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!

Canticle of Praise

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor,
blessing, and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

P: God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.** *(Please be seated)*

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

WA: Peter began to speak to the people:

“I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ, he is Lord of all.”

“That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. How he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem.”

“They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. But God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord.

C:Thanks be to God.

Psalmody: 118:1-2,14-24

WA: Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good. God's mercy endures forever.

C: Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."

WA: The LORD is my strength and my song and has become my salvation.

C: Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous. "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

WA: The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

C: I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

WA: The LORD indeed punished me sorely but did not hand me over to death.

C: Open for me the gates of righteousness. I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

WA: "This is the gate of the LORD. Here the righteous may enter."

C: I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

WA: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

C: By the LORD has this been done. It is marvelous in our eyes.

WA: This is the day that the LORD has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

WA: Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain.

On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia"

(Setting 3, ELW pg. 142)

(Please stand if you are able)

Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus' body.

And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?"

When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side. And they were alarmed.

But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised. He is not here." "Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."

So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**
(Please be seated)

Sermon Rev. Ed DeVore

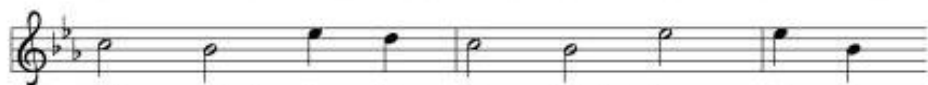
Hymn of the Day "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" Hymn 367



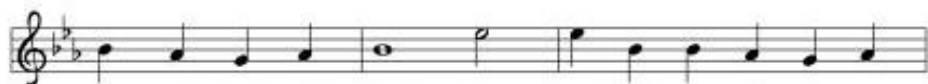
1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds; "Christ has
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
set heart and will on things a - bove that we
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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 power of 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

P: 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.

(silence is kept for reflection)

P: Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world.

God of grace, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation.

Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope.

God of grace, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife.

God of grace, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling to make it through each day.

God of grace, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Loving God, we pray for this community of faith and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others.

God of grace, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death. Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion.

God of grace, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: 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. **C: Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory Song "O God of Every Nation" v.1 & 4

Offering Prayer (*Please stand if you are able*)

P: 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.

C: Amen.

The Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also, with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

P: 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.

You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness.

P: 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:
“Holy, Holy, Holy” (Setting Three, ELW pg. 144)

Thanksgiving at the Table

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me. **C: Amen.**

The 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.

Invitation to Communion

P: The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.
(Please be seated)

"Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Grant us peace, grant us peace.

Special Music

"Jesus Does" Performed by We The Kingdom

Prayer after Communion

(Please stand if you are able)

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope † bless you now and always. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn "Thine is the glory" Hymn 376



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

In Memory and in Honour of:

World Hunger

In memory of Luther & Kathleen Horner, Jenneal F. Crowley from
Cynthia & Albert Buday

In memory of Rev. Ron Reed from Gloria, Shannon, Justin & Kate.

In honour of Shannon, Justin & Kate from Gloria Reed

In memory of Kathryn, Henry, & Violet from the Reed Family

Easter Flowers

In memory of loved ones from Susan & Rachael Brandau

In memory of loved ones from Noelle & Erin Berkey

In honour of Logan, Jillian, Carson, Jocely, & Cole from Missy Brodt

In memory of Delmar & Louis Leap & Ray & Gwendolyn Curly from
Thomas & Diane Leap

In memory of Linda McQuaide & Zakary McQuaide Lonsinger from
William, Cara, Kyle, & Jordan Lonsinger

In memory of grandparents of Michael & Ashley Kozak from the
Kozak Family

In honour of Gabriel & Elisa Kozak from Gary & Linda Kozak

In memory of Don Osborn from Susan, Sonny, Matthew Osborn &
Heather & Jin

In honour of Thomas & Petkosh Families from Rodger & Debbie
Thomas

In honour of grandparents and in memory of great grandparents
from Alex Pozun

In memory of Albert Sojak, George & Catherine Oleksa from Kevin
& Christine Oleksa

In honour of children & grandchildren and in memory of parents
from Bob & Cindy Solarczyk

In memory of Mary & Otto Kenszora, Benny & Phylis Petrarca, &
Ray Hite, Jr. from Joyca, Jason, Suzanne, & Sophia Hite

In memory of Luther & Kathleen Horner, Jenneal F. Crowley from
Cynthia & Albert Buday

