

Alleluia!

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD
EASTER DAY

APRIL 20, 2025

8:00, 9:30 AND 11:00 AM

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH



PRELUDE

This Joyful Eastertide (arr. Adrian Mann)

Daniel Bushard, saxophone

Tony Bushard, piano

WELCOME

Stand

GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (ELW 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!	



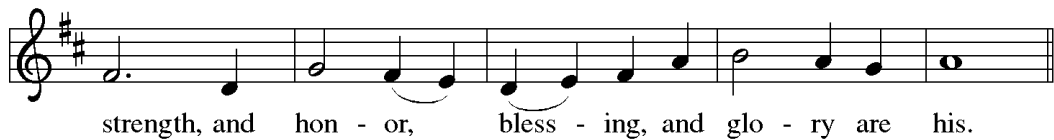
suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

P The grace and peace of Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead to bring everlasting hope, be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE



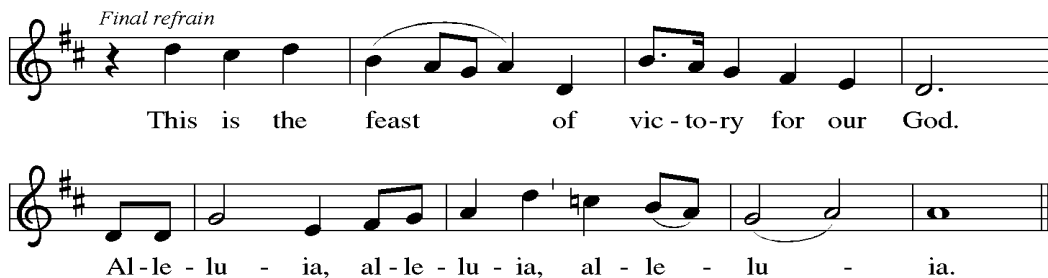


Refrain



Refrain





PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C 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. Amen.

Sit

WORD

God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-43

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²He

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. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

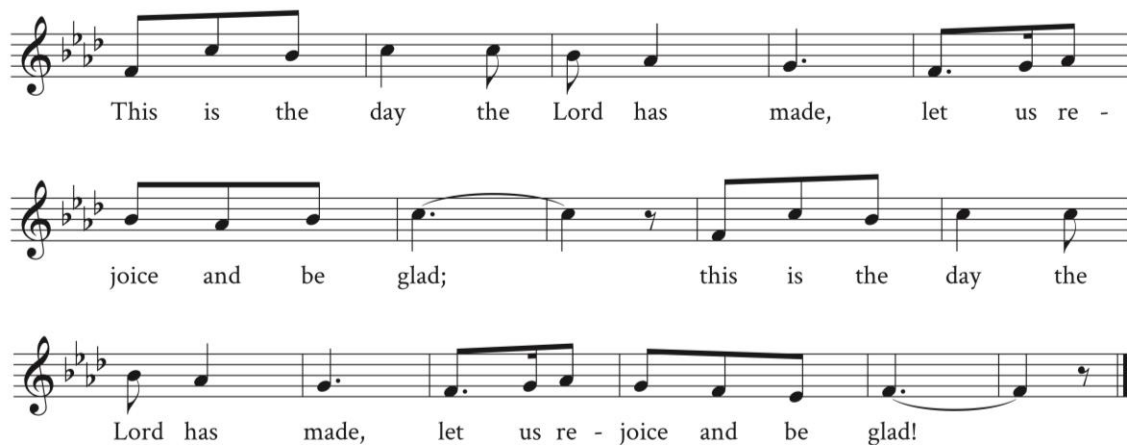
R Word of God, Word of Life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 118

Sing after cantor's introduction and each verse



Verses: Cantor

1. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever;
Let the house of Israel say: “His mercy endures forever.” **R**
2. The hand of the Lord has struck with pow’r, his right hand is exalted,
I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord. **R**
3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,
The Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes! **R**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come

through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

R Word of God, Word of Life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

KIDS' MESSAGE

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Refrain: cantor - All - verse - All



Verse: cantor

Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

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

GOSPEL

Luke 24:1-12

¹ On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb,

they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

Pastor Erin Heidelberger

Stand

The Word of God and the theme of the day are repeated in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (ELW 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!

NICENE CREED

P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C 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 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

P God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*(After each petition, respond with, "**Hear our prayer.**")*

P We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C Amen.

THE PEACE OF CHRIST IS SHARED

*In an act of unity; blessing, and reconciliation, we greet one another with the Peace of Christ
(Matthew 5:23-24)*

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Sit

OUR OFFERINGS ARE GATHERED

*Our gratitude is expressed in gifts for the church's mission and the world's need.
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MUSICAL OFFERING

Mary Told the Good News (John D. Horman)

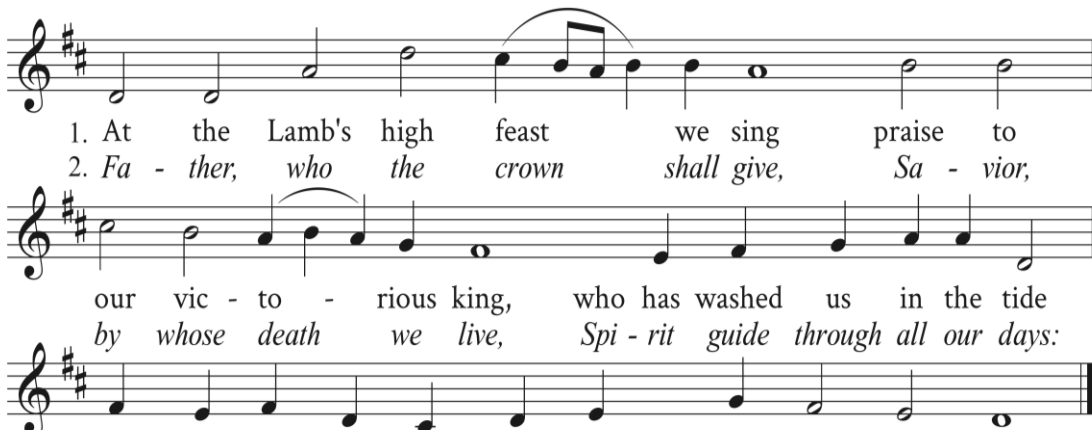
FaithTrek & Youth

Stand

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY HYMN



1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
2. Fa - ther, who the crown shall give, Sa - vior,
our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
by whose death we live, Spi - rit guide through all our days:
flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
three in One, your name we praise, Al - le - lu - ia!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray.

C Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

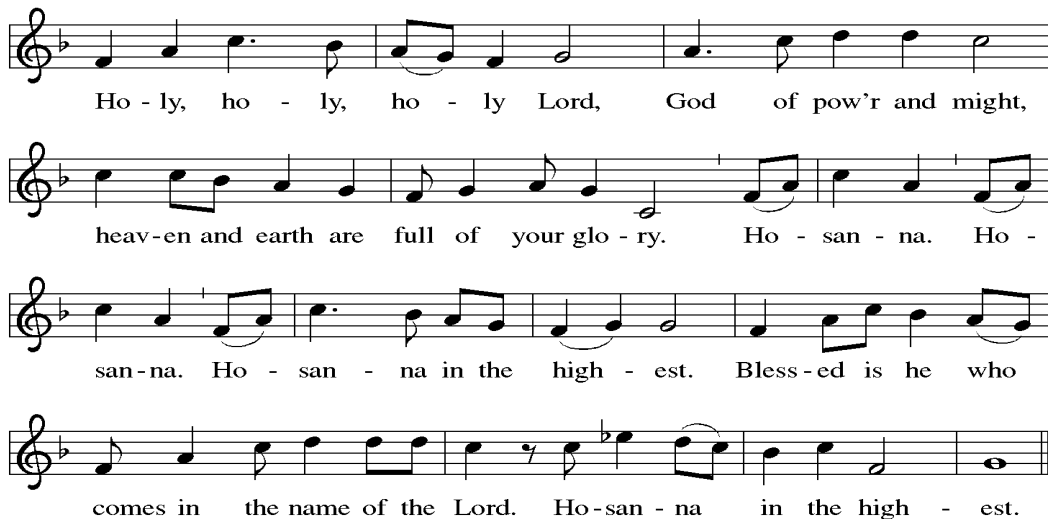
P Lift up your hearts.

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... (*here the minister continues with the proper preface, concluding:*) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy God, mighty Lord...with all your saints in light.

C Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

P We pray in confidence in the words Jesus gave us:

**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.

INVITATION

P Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

C **This is the feast of victory for our God! Alleluia!**

Sit

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

We go to the table to encounter the body and blood of the living Christ in bread and wine, through which faith is nourished and sins are forgiven. Please proceed to the altar rail as directed by the usher. The Communion bread (Schar gluten-free bread) is free of gluten, wheat, dairy, egg, and nuts. You may take a grape juice-filled cup from the center of the tray or a wine-filled cup from the Communion tray. Afterward, cups are placed in a basket as you return to your seat. If you are unable to come to the Communion Table, please let an usher know. A Eucharistic Minister is available to bring Communion to you in the pew.

COMMUNION MUSIC 11:00 *Awake, My Heart with Gladness* (arr. Anne Krentz Organ)

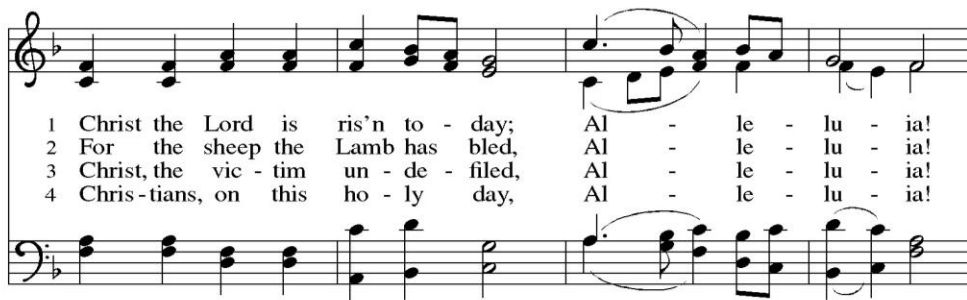
Xander Niebuhr, viola

Will Niebuhr, cello


Erin Niebuhr, piano

COMMUNION HYMNS

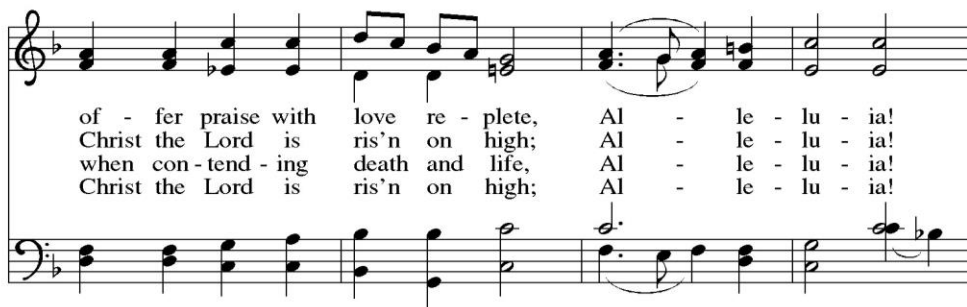
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia! (ELW 369)



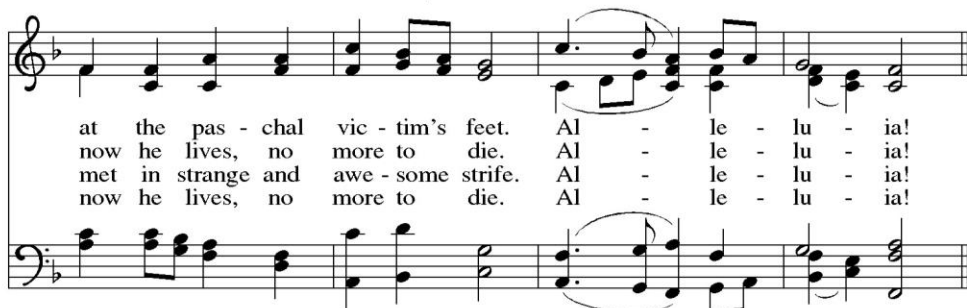
1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Chris-tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
 God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
 when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
 met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

Thine Is the Glory (ELW 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
 greets 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!

The Day of Resurrection! (ELW 361)

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin,
4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, all praise to Christ the Son,

the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.
all praise to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One!

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend;
Let all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the glad re - frain.
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end!
and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone!

Stand

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray. Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

C **Amen.**

SENDING

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

BLESSING

P May almighty God, who raised our Lord from death, lift you up and restore your life in the victory of God's Son.

C **Amen.**

P May Jesus Christ, the Son of God, give you his word of new life, that you might be strengthened by the power of his resurrection to life everlasting.

C **Amen.**

P May God the Holy Spirit, who creates, calls, and gathers the Church in faith, keep you in God's baptismal promise this day and always.

C **Amen.**

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

C **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! (ELW 385)



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:
 rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
 can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



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

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

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

DISMISSAL

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Toccata from Symphony No. 5 (C. M. Widor)

Timpani - Christian Paulsen

Lead Pastor: Erin Heidelberger

Associate Pastor: Andrew Kitzing

Live Stream: Brian Niebuhr

Cantors: Xander Niebuhr, Will Niebuhr

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