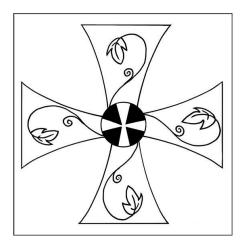
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 2024

8:30 a.m. Worship Bulletin

ALL ARE WELCOME. ALL ARE LOVED. ALL SAINTS.



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Welcome to All Saints! We warmly greet you in the name of Christ and give God thanks for your presence today. Whether you are visiting or are looking for a new church home, we're glad you're here! Please use the guest card in the pew rack to share your contact information, questions, prayer concerns, etc.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Children who are not yet communing are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Children are always welcome in worship. We encourage children to participate in the worship service as they are able. "Quiet Bags" are available in the entryway or from an usher. Childcare is provided in the church nursery for infants and children through age five. A private Mother's Room for feeding is provided in the Education wing.

For the hearing impaired, printed copies of the sermons are available on the bulletin table in the Narthex. A hearing assistance system is also available. Please ask an usher.

In order to be fully present to God in worship, please silence your cell phone. We encourage the discipline of silence for personal devotion and prayer upon entering worship, as well as during the prelude and other musical offerings.

| All Saints 5-Year Vision Priorities | | |
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| WORSHIP | WELCOME | |
| Evaluate and enrich our worship life | Develop a strategy to increase our impact | |
| CHILDREN & YOUTH | COMMUNITY | |
| Grow our impact with children and youth | Focus on building Christ-centered relationships | |
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+GATHERING+

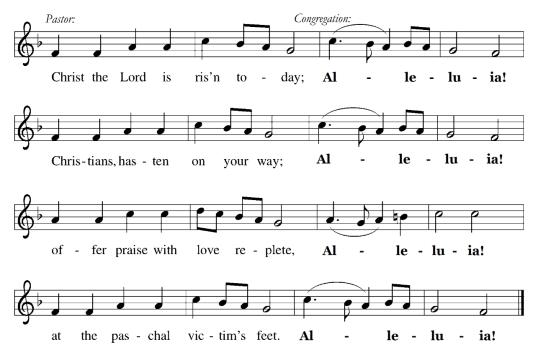
The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDES

We stand. WELCOME Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the name of the Holy Trinity + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. Amen.



Text: attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050; tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1807–1882, alt. Music: LLANFAIR, Robert Williams, 1781–1821

GATHERING HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

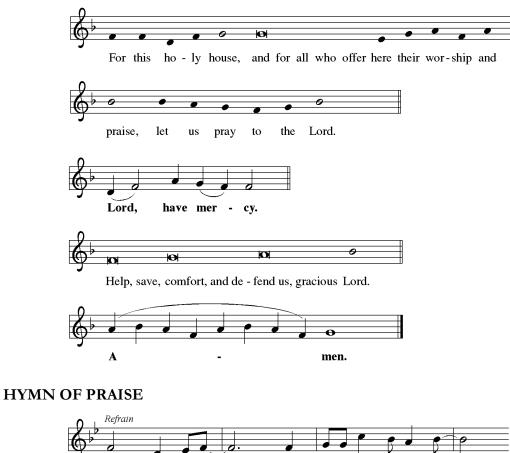
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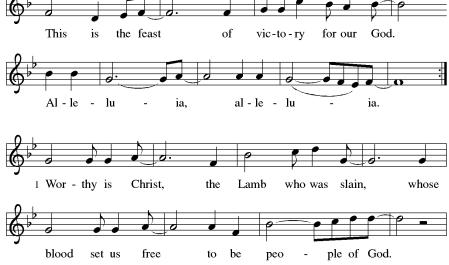
GREETING

Beloved of God, called to be saints: 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.**

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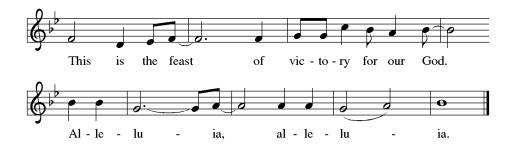




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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in 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.

We sit.

FIRST READING – Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost, Peter oversees the process whereby one of the members of the community of believers is chosen to be the twelfth apostle, in order to fill the vacancy created by Judas's treachery and death.

A reading from Acts.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias.

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²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

PSALM 1 (Congregation sings refrain; Cantor sings verses)



¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,

nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats [|] of the scornful! ²Their delight is in the law [|] of the LORD,

and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night. **R**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that ¹ do not wither;

everything they [|] do shall prosper.
⁴It is not so [|] with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind [|] blows away.
⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when [|] judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council [|] of the righteous.
⁶For the LORD knows the way [|] of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall [|] be destroyed. **R**

SECOND READING - 1 John 5:9-13

God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

A reading from First John.

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON



GOSPEL – John 17:6-19

In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death—his prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

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[Jesus prayed:] ⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

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

We sit. SERMON

We stand. HYMN OF THE DAY

I Come with Joy

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With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 for 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.

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We kneel or sit. 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.

Each prayer petition concludes with.... God of grace, hear our prayer.

We stand. **PEACE**

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

+MEAL+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

We sit. **OFFERING**

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

ANTHEM



We stand. **OFFERTORY**



Thomas Ken, 1674; alt.

LASST UNS ERFREUEN L.M.al. Geistliche Kirchensgesänge, Cologne, 1623

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

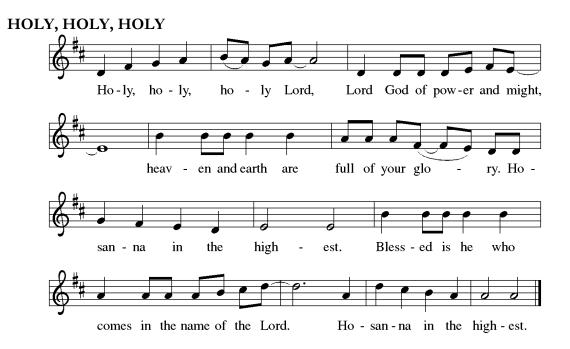
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light. **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.



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.

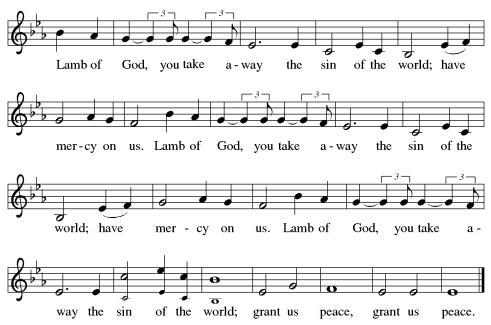
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

We sit. DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized! When the usher indicates it is time to come forward, please do so to receive a communion wafer. A chalice will be available for dipping the wafer. If you prefer to not receive the wine, please know that you receive the fullness of Jesus Christ even if you only partake of one element. After receiving Holy Communion, you may return to your seat. If you need a pastor to bring you the elements, please indicate that to an usher when they pass your row.

LAMB OF GOD



HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

| One Bread, One Body | ELW 496 |
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| Christ, Our Peace | ACS 1037 |

We stand.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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.

We sit. WELCOMING NEW DISCIPLES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

BLESSING

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Christ Is the King!

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is Risen. Christ is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

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

POSTLUDE



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