



A WELCOMING FAITH COMMUNITY.  
GROWING. CARING. SERVING.



APRIL 18/19 2026  
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

## Welcome to Worship

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8 & 9 AM Pr Connie Tiede

**READER:**

5 PM Greg Bergeron  
8 AM Marcia Wilson  
9 AM Caroline Baker

**ORGANIST:** Mary Jo Gothmann

PRELUDE

## GATHERING

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM:

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven.

**God calls us and claims us as beloved.**

The promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away.

**In baptism, God gathers us into new life.**

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for your Spirit moving over the waters at creation, for leading your people through the sea, and for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

**In water and Word, you make us your own.**

On the road to Emmaus, the risen Christ walked with his disciples, opened the scriptures, and was made known in the breaking of the bread.

**Stay with us, Lord Jesus.**

Open our eyes to recognize you in Word and meal, and in the face of our neighbor.

**Set our hearts on fire with your love.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit, that we may turn to you, walk in your way, and share the good news with all the world.

**Keep us in your grace and peace.**

Through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: As We Gather at Your Table 522

1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;  
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.

Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;  
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944  
Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerentjes en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932  
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teach us through this ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.  
 may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.  
 as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

**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.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE: A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing! vs 1 & 5**

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1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall  
 5 O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -

ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -  
 cord: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! You are, while end - less ag - es

trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.  
 run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.

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

Text: Bede, 673-735; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*  
 Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623  
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PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Prayer of the Day: 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. Amen.

WORD

WORD FOR KIDS (9 AM)

LESSON: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 24:13-35

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON: by Katie Weiland, Pastoral Intern



1 What feast of love is of-fered here, what ban-quet come from heav-en?  
 2 What light of truth is of-fered here, what cov-e-nant from heav-en?  
 3 What wine of love is of-fered here, what crim-son drink from heav-en?



What food of ev-er-last-ing life, what gra-cious gift is giv-en?  
 What hope of ev-er-last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv-en?  
 What stream of ev-er-last-ing life, what pre-cious blood is giv-en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav-en.  
 This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav-en.  
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweet-est wine of heav-en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man-na giv-en!  
 Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv-en!  
 Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv-en!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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## THE APOSTLES' 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 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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

*After each petition*

Through your resurrection power...

**Hear us Living God.**

SHARING THE PEACE:

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(Share the peace with a wave and word of peace.)*

MEAL

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC ( 9 AM):

“Look at the World” ..... by Rutter

Adult Choir; Jonathan Campbell, dir.; Mary Jo Gothmann, piano

OFFERTORY: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, verse 1

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**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
“Jesus out of ev’ry nation  
has redeemed us by his blood.”**

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

MANY WAYS TO GIVE

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or



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures.

## PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## THE 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

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

- *The ushers will invite you forward. Please take a cup from them and proceed to a communion station.*
- *The first server will give you a wafer. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please let them know.*
- *The second server will pour wine into your cup. If you prefer white grape juice, go to the third server.*
- *After receiving communion, place your empty cup in the baskets provided as you return to your seat.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN: Let Us Break Bread Together

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1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees;  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees;  
3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;



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let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees.

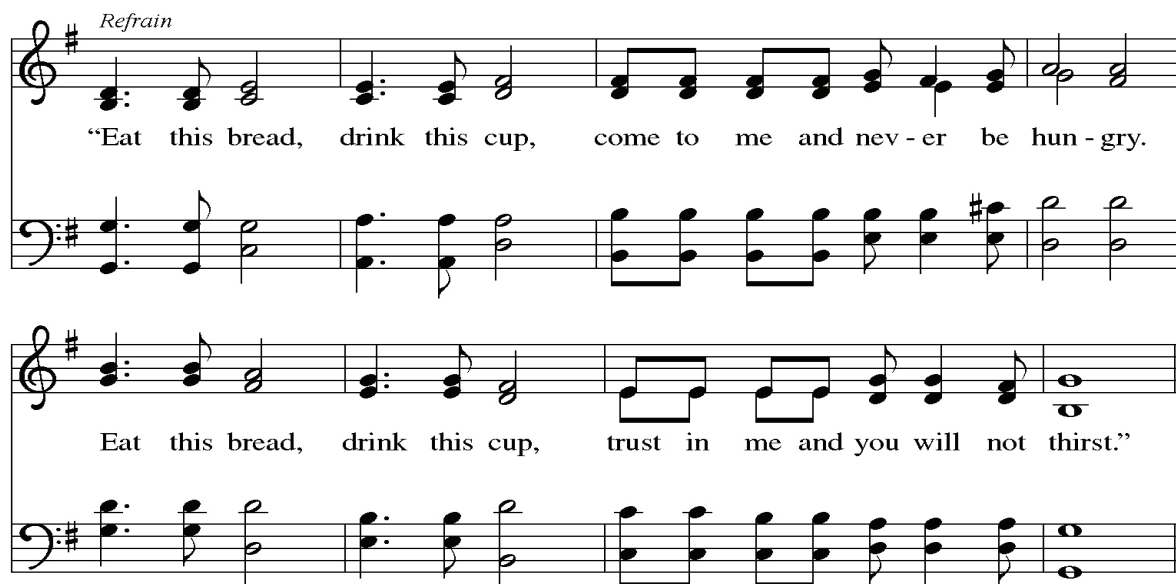


When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

*Refrain*



“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”

Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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## POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER:

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

## SENDING

### BENEDICTION:

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, † bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

**WE WELCOME YOU  
TO WORSHIP**

**Hearing Assistance  
Units Available**

*Hearing assistance units  
are available at the  
sound booth at the  
back of the Sanctuary.*

**Mobility Concerns**

*We have areas in the  
sanctuary where a wheel-  
chair or walker will fit.  
Ushers can assist you.*

**Children Welcome**

*Activity bags are avail-  
able outside the sanctu-  
ary. We have two "pray  
grounds" in the sanctuary  
with plenty of places just  
outside the sanctuary as  
well where children can  
sit and play.*

**LIVE STREAM**

SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM

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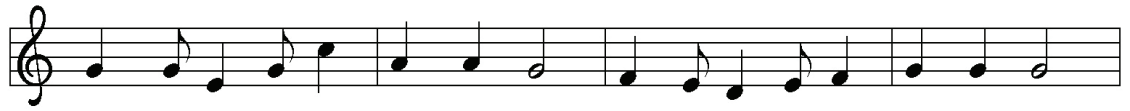
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**SENDING HYMN: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

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1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:  
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,  
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.  
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.  
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTeAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925-1980

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**DISMISSAL:**

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**