

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*The Fifth Sunday of Easter*

✠ *Cantate* ✠

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## JESUS PROMISES TO SEND HIS HOLY SPIRIT, THE HELPER

Though Jesus has departed from us visibly to the right hand of the Father who sent Him, yet this is to our advantage. For Jesus – who is Lord over all creation, who intercedes for us before the Father, who is preparing a place for us in heaven – has sent the Helper, the Spirit of Truth (John 16:5-15). “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights” through Jesus Christ (James 1:17). The Holy Spirit helps us by taking what is Christ’s and declaring it to us. In the Word of truth, the Spirit works repentance and delivers to us the forgiveness of sins, the righteousness of Christ, and victory over the devil. For the ruler of this world is judged and defeated by the cross. Through the ministry of the Holy Spirit, we have been brought forth to new life in Him who is the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. Confident of our resurrection with Christ we confess, “Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid” (Is. 12:2).

### Communing at this Altar

**The Lord’s Supper is celebrated and offered here every Lord’s day!**

*\*Guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament now, and in the future, are asked to meet with the pastor before communing.*

Because we consider communing at this altar a public declaration of fellowship in what our church believes, teaches, and confesses, we welcome to commune those who:

- ✠ are baptized into the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Mt 28:19);
  - ✠ confess Jesus Christ as their personal Savior from sin;
  - ✠ discern the Lord’s Body and Blood as truly present, together with the bread and wine (1 Cor 11:29), as taught by The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in the Small Catechism;
  - ✠ examine themselves and repent, as instructed in the Scriptures (1 Cor 11:28);
  - ✠ believe the words of Jesus, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins” (Mt 26:28);
- If this is **not** your confession, or you’re seeking a church home and wish to learn more about Trinity, our Pastor will gladly meet with you after the service. In the meantime, we welcome you forward for a blessing during the distribution. Simply come forward and, when kneeling, **cross your arms over your chest**, indicating that you’d like to receive a blessing.

As you commune, select either the individual cup or the common chalice.

Communicants who cannot easily come to the altar will be communed in the pew.

*Please notify an usher or the Pastor beforehand if you need such assistance.*

To help prepare yourself to receive the Lord’s Body and Blood you may read “Christian Questions with Their Answers” found on pages 329 and 330 of the hymnal



✠ THE DIVINE SERVICE ✠

*Setting Three, Lutheran Service Book, p.184*

**HYMN OF INVOCATION** ~ *O Word of God Incarnate*

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*△Please stand and face the cross as it enters.*

# EASTER ACCLAMATION

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

## ✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ✠

# INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

# INTROIT

*Ps. 98:1b, 3–4; antiphon: Ps. 98:1a, 2b*



**P** Sing to the Lord a new song, Alle- | luia,\*

for He has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alle- | luia!

**C** His right hand and his | holy arm\*

have worked salva- | tion for Him.

**P** He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of | Israel.\*

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.

**C** Make a joyful noise to the Lord, | all the earth;\*

break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!  
*Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\**  
*and to the Holy | Spirit;*  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

*\*You may bow your head at this point  
in praise of the Name of the Holy Trinity*

**P** Sing to the Lord a new song, Alle- | luia,\*

for He has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alle- | luia

**KYRIE** ~ *Lord, Have Mercy*

*Mark 10:47*

**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** ~ *Glory to God in the Highest*

*Lk 2:14; Jn 1:29*

**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** A - men.

Sit

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 12:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. <sup>2</sup>"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation." <sup>3</sup>With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. <sup>4</sup>And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. <sup>5</sup>"Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. <sup>6</sup>Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL ~ *Christians to the Paschal Victim*

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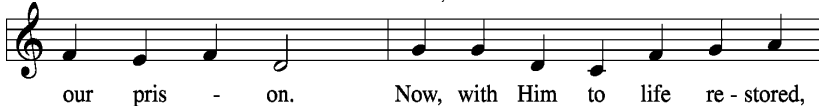
**P** *Christians, to the Paschal Victim Offer your thankful praises!  
 The Lamb the sheep has ransomed: Christ, who only is sinless,  
 Reconciling sinners to the Father.  
 Death and life have contended In that combat stupendous:  
 The Prince of life, who died, Reigns immortal.*

1 Christ is a - ris - en From the grave's dark



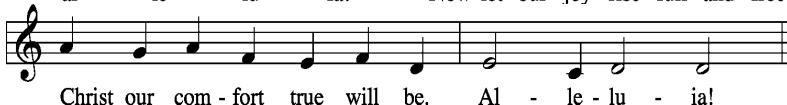
**P** *"Speak, Mary, declaring What you saw when wayfaring."  
 "The tomb of Christ, who is living, The glory of Jesus' resurrection;  
 Bright angels attesting, The shroud and napkin resting.  
 My Lord, my hope, is arisen; To Galilee He goes before you."*

*Congregation*



**P** *Christ indeed from death is risen, Our new life obtaining.  
 Have mercy, victor King, ever-reigning!*

*Congregation*



## EPISTLE

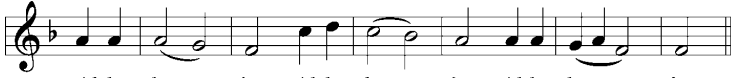
## James 1:16-21

<sup>16</sup>Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. <sup>17</sup>Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup>Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. <sup>19</sup>Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup>for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. <sup>21</sup>Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

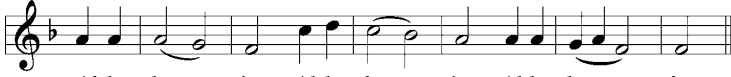
**C** Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

☐ The right hand of the Lord | exalts,\*  
the right hand of the Lord does | valiantly!



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

☐ We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never | die again;\*  
death no longer has dominion | over him.



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 16:5-15*

☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. <sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

☐ This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## NICENE CREED

☐ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

*\*You may genuflect  
in reverence of the incarnation*

He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
 and ascended into heaven  
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
 whose kingdom will have no end.  
 And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the Lord and giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** ~ *Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice*

556

**SERMON**

*Stand*

**OFFERTORY** ~ *Christ Has Been Raised from the Dead!*

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*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to  
sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.  
*Refrain*  
Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -  
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Sit

## OFFERING

*The offering is a joyful response of faith. It should be free, generous, and offered with thanksgiving to God.*

*The offering today goes toward the work and mission of the Church. **Guests, especially, should not feel obliged to give.***

Stand

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

*After each petition respond: "Hear our prayer."*

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

**G** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

**G** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God

Psalms 136

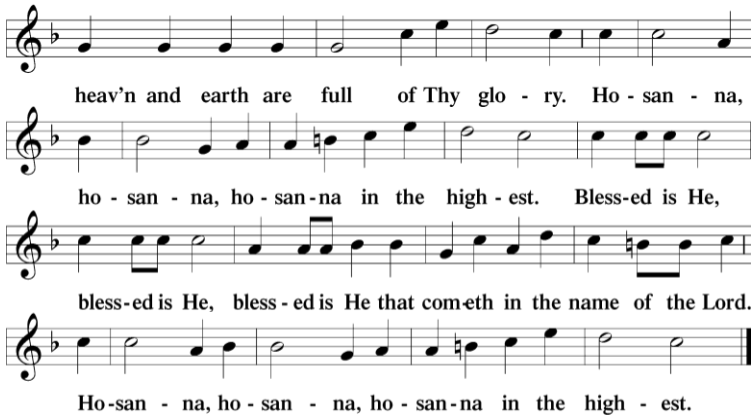
**G** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9

**G** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P** Thanks be to you, O Lord, because in these last days you did send to us your beloved Servant, Jesus Christ, to be our Savior and our Redeemer and the Messenger of your will; who is your Word inseparable from you; through whom you made all things and with whom you were well pleased; whom you did send from heaven into the womb of the Virgin, and who, having been conceived within her, became flesh, and was manifested as your Son, being born of the Holy Spirit and a virgin; who, in order that He might abolish death, break the bonds of the adversary, tread Hades underfoot, give light to the righteous, establish an everlasting covenant, and manifest the resurrection in His flesh,

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25*

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\nabla$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."*

*In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\nabla$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."*

Therefore, having in remembrance His death and resurrection, we give thanks to you, Holy Father, because you have counted us worthy to stand before you and to serve you. Gather into one, we pray you, all your holy people who partake of this bread and this cup; fill them with your Holy Spirit for the confirmation of their faith in the truth; and grant that we may praise and glorify you through your Servant, Jesus Christ, through whom all honor and glory belongs to you, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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  $\nabla$  deliver us from evil.  
 For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**PAX DOMINI** ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

*John 20:19*

**P** The peace of the † Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

**AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God***

*John 1:29*



**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



**tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.**



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

## DISTRIBUTION

*Please take a moment and read 'COMMUNING AT THIS ALTAR' in the front cover of the bulletin.*

*Guests are invited to please speak with the Pastor before communing for the first time.*

### *Prayer Before Reception of Holy Communion*

*O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord. What shall I give to the Lord for all that He has given to me? I will take the Cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. Amen.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS ~

## *This Is the Feast*

155

*O Splendor of God's Glory Bright*

874

*Sing Praise to God, The Highest Good*

819

## Oh, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing

528

## Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

790

*Prayer After Reception of Holy Communion*

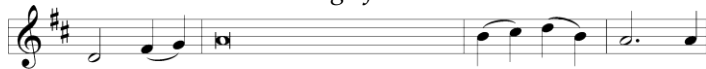
*I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.*

*Additional prayers to prepare for receiving the Sacrament are found in the front cover of the hymnal.*

*Stand*

## NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon

*Luke 2:29-32*



**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace ac-



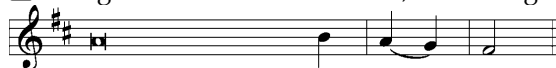
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## THANKSGIVING

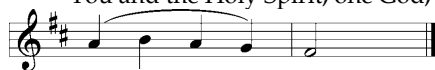
**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**G** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**G** A - men.

## SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS

**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.

**A** Bless we the Lord.



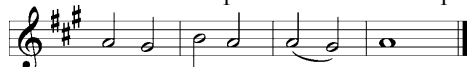
**G** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



**G** A - men, a - men, a - men.

*Numbers 6:24-26*

△ Please remain standing and face the cross in reverence as it processes out.

**CLOSING HYMN ~ The Law of God Is Good and Wise**

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