



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
ROOTED AND GROWING

April 12, 2026 8:15 am

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

William J. Kirkpatrick
Arr. by Rebecca Bonam

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We worship in the name in which we baptize, in the name of the Father, † the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us together confess our sins.

Jesus, you died on the cross for us and for the world. We have sinned against you and against our neighbor, in thought, word, and deed.

Jesus is risen. Sin and death have been defeated. Your sins are forgiven!

Jesus, you showed the way of compassion and truth. We have not followed you as we ought. Give us strength.

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Jesus, you arose from the grave. Drive away our fears. Fill our hearts with joy!

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Forgiveness declared

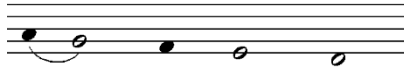
***GATHERING HYMN** #389 “Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing”

***APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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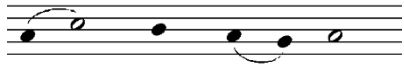
***KYRIE**

Assisting Minister or Cantor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



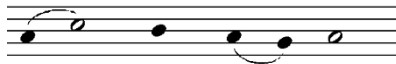
All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



All: A - men.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting Minister, Cantor or Choir



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.



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2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. (CONTINUED)

Final refrain

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has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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READING

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***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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

***GOSPEL**

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***HYMN OF THE DAY** #384 "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"

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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.

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*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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... Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

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*OFFERING SONG

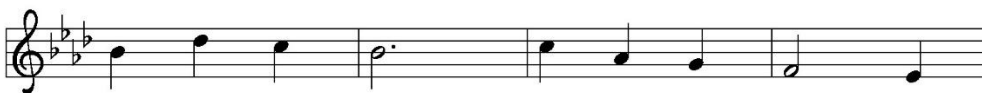
#377 "Alleluia! Jesus is Risen" Verse 1



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent;
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
Cher - u - bim sing; O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

*OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, accept the gifts we bring, 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 that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING


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.**

... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:


*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



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COMMUNION MUSIC

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

Arr. by Mark Hayes

***BLESSING**

***SENDING HYMN**

#619 “I Know That My Redeemer Lives!”

vs. 1, 2, 7 & 8

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
he lives, my ever-living head! | 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
he lives, and I shall conquer death;
he lives my mansion to prepare;
he lives to bring me safely there. |
| 2 He lives triumphant from the grave;
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he lives exalted, throned above;
he lives to rule his church in love. | 8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
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You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
Go in peace. Share the good news.
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POSTLUDE

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peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and

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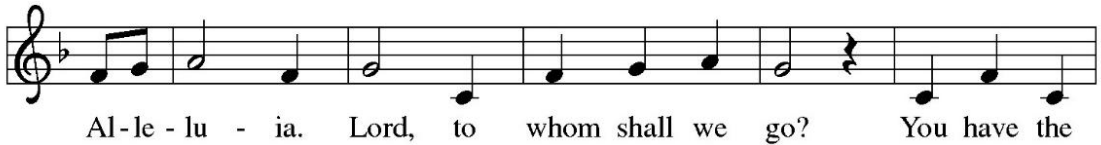
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san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
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***LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

LAMB OF



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
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***BLESSING**

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 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
 3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
 4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to

this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
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once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
 throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
 me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

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 he lives and loves me to the end;
 he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;
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