

# *Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church*

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The Third Sunday of Easter  
April 19, 2026  
10:30 am

Welcome to worship!

Masks are welcome. If you are joining us from your car,  
**please tune your radio to 98.7 FM** or join us for the  
livestream via Facebook or our website, [elcbow.org](http://elcbow.org).

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# Holy Communion

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## **Welcome to worship.**

If you are a visitor with us, thank you for being here. We invite you to sign our attendance book and the guest book in the Narthex. **Children are welcome** in worship. *Children's bulletins* are available from the ushers. Also, Children's Activity Bags, located in the back of the sanctuary on the right side to use during the service.

**We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday and extend the invitation to all who are baptized to receive Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin.**

◆ *indicates the congregation stands as able*

Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have a prayer concern or a thanks that you would like included in the Prayers of the People, fill out the card and ushers will collect them from end of pews after Prayer of the Day.

## Gathering

10:25 am Pre-Service Music for meditation and quiet gathering

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE

"With High Delight Let Us Unite"

(tune: Mit Freuden zart)

- arr. Hal H. Hopson

For TEXT, see Hymn of the Day, p. 13.

## ◆ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

AM In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

AM Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
C **Amen.**

AM Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

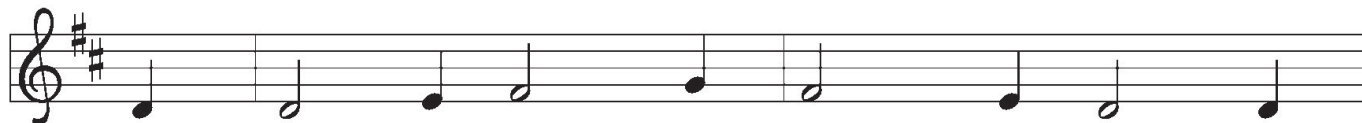
AM Gracious God,  
C **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**  
**Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**



◆ GATHERING HYMN "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright" **ELW 384**

**All Verses**



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the  
2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with  
3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in  
4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to



sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing  
con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will  
this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our  
you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther



eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!  
ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.  
strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.  
e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621



◆ GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

◆ HYMN OF PRAISE "Now the Feast and Celebration"  
(Refrain-sung by all, Vs. 1 women only, Vs. 2 men only, Vs 3 All)

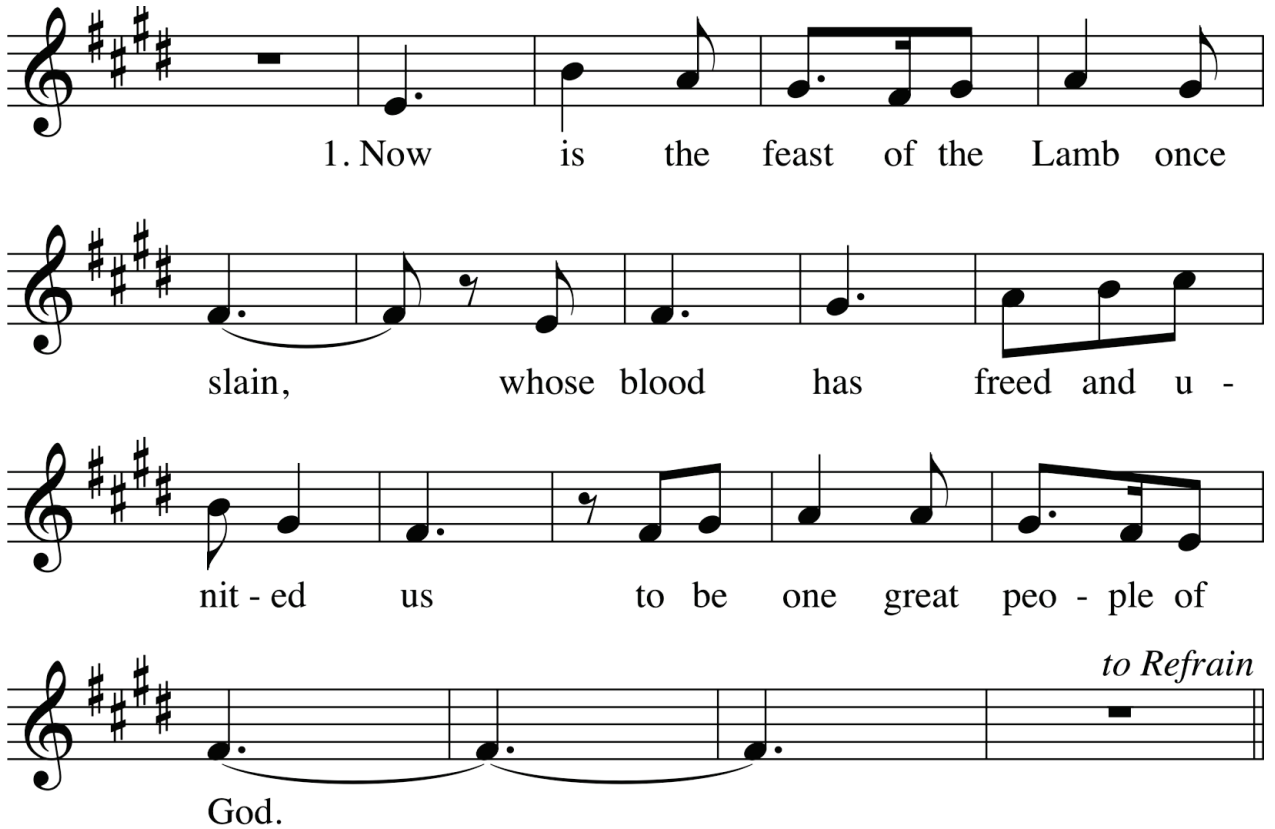
**Refrain**

*Congregation:*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,  
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and  
free-dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -  
er - more!

The musical score is written on five staves in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 3/8 time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some slurs and ties. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

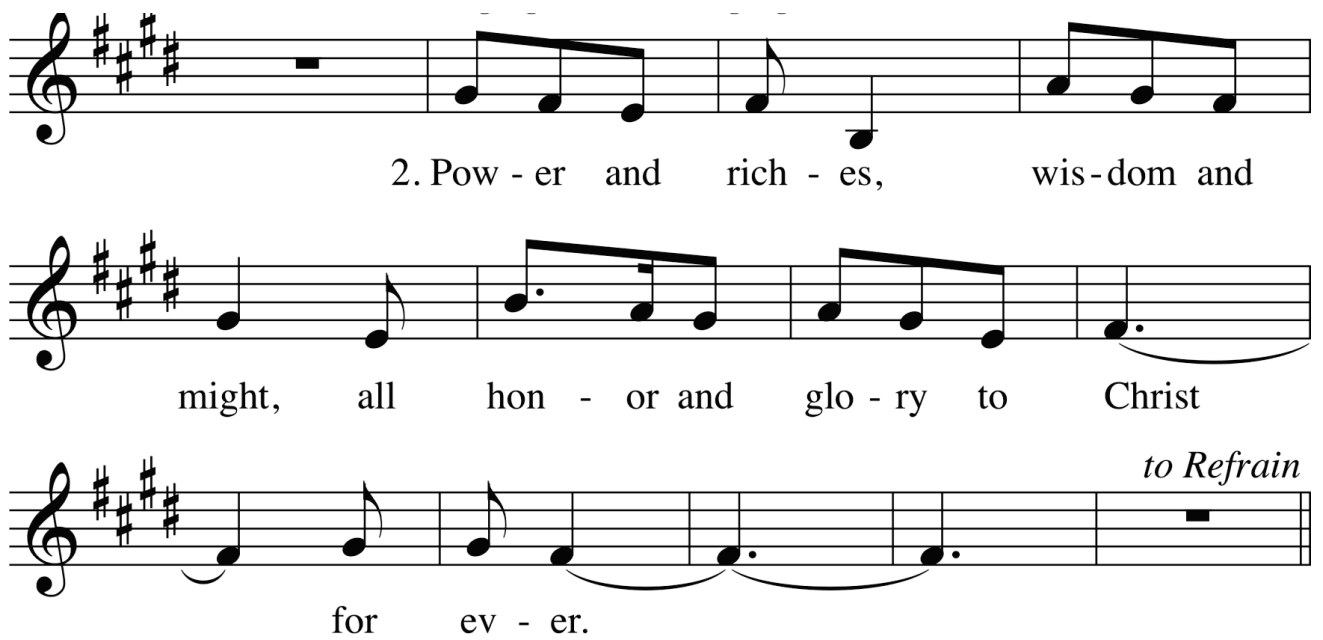
Verse 1 - Women



1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once  
slain, whose blood has freed and u -  
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of  
God. *to Refrain*

The musical notation for Verse 1 - Women consists of four staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The first staff begins with a whole rest followed by a dotted quarter note on G4, a quarter note on A4, a quarter note on B4, a quarter note on C5, and a quarter note on B4. The second staff continues with a dotted quarter note on A4, a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on F#4, a quarter note on E4, a quarter note on D4, and a quarter note on C4. The third staff starts with a quarter note on B3, a quarter note on A3, a quarter note on G3, a quarter note on F#3, a quarter note on E3, and a quarter note on D3. The fourth staff concludes with a dotted quarter note on C3, a quarter note on B2, and a quarter note on A2, ending with a double bar line.

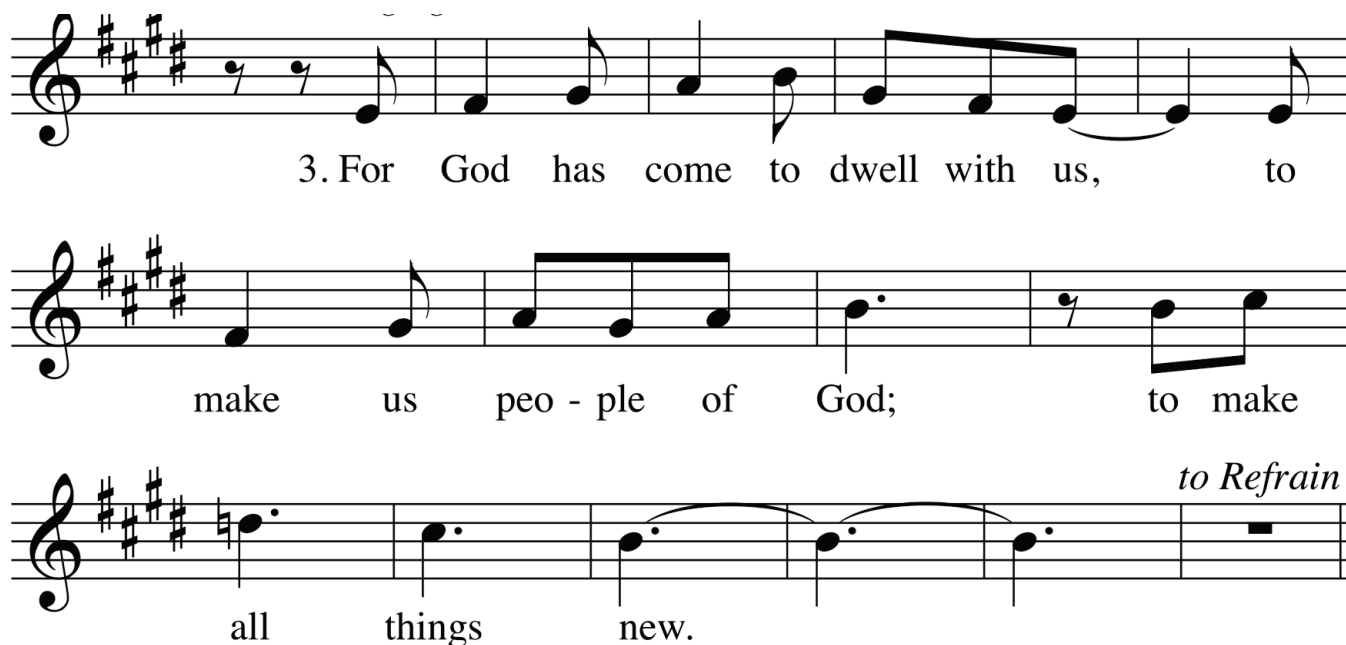
Verse 2 - Men



2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and  
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ  
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

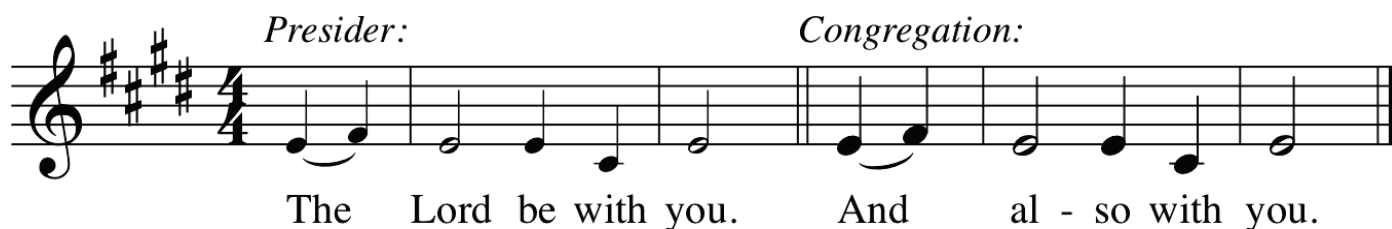
The musical notation for Verse 2 - Men consists of three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The first staff begins with a whole rest followed by a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on A4, a quarter note on B4, a quarter note on C5, and a quarter note on B4. The second staff continues with a quarter note on A4, a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on F#4, a quarter note on E4, a quarter note on D4, and a quarter note on C4. The third staff starts with a quarter note on B3, a quarter note on A3, a quarter note on G3, a quarter note on F#3, a quarter note on E3, and a quarter note on D3, ending with a double bar line.

### Verse 3 - All



3. For God has come to dwell with us, to  
make us peo - ple of God; to make  
all things new. *to Refrain*

### ◆ SALUTATION



*Presider:* The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al - so with you.

### ◆ PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM Let us pray ...

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.

**C Amen.**

*(Please be seated) (Please pass prayer cards to the aisle.)*

# Word

## FIRST READING

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

*Today's reading is the conclusion of Peter's sermon preached following the giving of the Holy Spirit to the apostles on the day of Pentecost. The center of his preaching is the bold declaration that God has made the crucified Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

<sup>14a</sup> Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: <sup>36</sup> "Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

<sup>37</sup> Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" <sup>38</sup> Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." <sup>40</sup> And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." <sup>41</sup> So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

**C Thanks be to God.**





## SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:17-23

*The imagery of exile is used to help the readers of this letter understand that they are strangers in a strange land. Christians no longer belong to this age. Through the death of Christ we belong to God, so that our focus, faith, and hope are no longer on such things as silver or gold.*

<sup>17</sup> If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup> You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup> He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup> Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God.

<sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup> You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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**C Thanks be to God.**



## ◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Congregation:*

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

## ◆ HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:13-35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.

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

*As two disappointed followers of Jesus leave Jerusalem, Jesus joins them on their journey.*

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that

have taken place there in these days?”<sup>19</sup> He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,<sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.<sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.<sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning,<sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.<sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.”<sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!<sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?”<sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on.<sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them.<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.<sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight.<sup>32</sup> They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”<sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.<sup>34</sup> They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!”<sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

# CHILDREN'S SERMON

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## ◆ HYMN OF THE DAY "With High Delight Let Us Unite" **ELW 368** **All Verses**



1 With high de - light let us u - nite in  
2 True God, he first from death has burst forth  
3 Let prais - es ring; give thanks, and bring to



songs of great ju - bi - la - tion. You pure in heart, all  
in - to life, all sub - du - ing. His en - e - my now  
Christ our Lord ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed by



bear your part, sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To  
van - quished see; his death has been death's un - do - ing. "And  
word and deed to ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So



set us free for - ev - er, he is ris'n and sends to  
yours shall be like vic - to - ry o'er death and grave," says  
shall his love give us a - bove, from mis - er - y and



all earth's ends good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.  
he, who gave his life for us, life re - new - ing.  
death set free, all joy and full con - so - la - tion.

Text: Georg Vetter, 1536–1599; tr. Martin H. Franzmann, 1907–1976, alt.  
Music: MIT FREUDEN ZART, medieval European tune  
Text © 1969 Concordia Publishing House.

## ◆ NICENE CREED

**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.**

*\*Or, "who proceeds from the Father." The phrase "and the Son" is a later addition to the creed.*

## ◆ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*(after each petition the following response is read)*

AM Merciful God,     **C receive our prayer.**

# Meal

## ◆ THE PEACE IS SHARED

AM The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C And also with you.**

*The peace is shared with one another with the words,  
“The peace of the Lord,” or similar words.*

## CHORAL ANTHEM

### “Day of Arising”

- Susan Palo Cherwien/Carl Schalk

TEXT:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <p>1 Day of arising,<br/>Christ on the roadway,<br/>unknown companion walks with his<br/>own.<br/>When they invite him,<br/>as fades the first day,<br/>and bread is broken, Christ is made<br/>known.</p> <p>2 When we are walking,<br/>doubtful and dreading,<br/>blinded by sadness, slowness of heart,<br/>yet Christ walks with us,<br/>ever awaiting<br/>our invitation: Stay, do not part.</p> | <p>3 Lo, I am with you,<br/>Jesus has spoken.<br/>This is Christ's promise, this is Christ's<br/>sign:<br/>when the church gathers,<br/>when bread is broken,<br/>there Christ is with us in bread and<br/>wine.</p> <p>4 Christ, our companion,<br/>hope for the journey,<br/>bread of compassion, open our eyes.<br/>Grant us your vision,<br/>set all hearts burning<br/>that all creation with you may rise.</p> |
|---|--|

## ◆ THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray.

**C Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**



P "It is our duty and delight .....  
.... we praise your name and join their unending hymn: ...."

◆ Holy, Holy, Holy

Marty Haugen



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P In the night in which he was betrayed .....

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## ◆ 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.**



**COMMUNION** *All who are baptized in the common faith of Jesus Christ crucified are welcome to receive communion. We believe that the body and blood of our Lord is truly present in the sharing of bread and wine. Children are welcome to commune at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive the bread and wine are welcome to receive a blessing. White grape juice is also available.*

**If you desire to commune at the altar rail:** Holy Communion at the altar is served in groups. To prevent crowding, please wait in your place until directed by the Ushers. Be sure to bring your cup with you. At the altar rail, you'll be served a small piece of bread and have wine or grape juice poured into your cup. After you have communed, wait for the pastor to dismiss you back to your place.

**If coming forward is difficult:** Please let an usher know that you would like to receive communion at your seat. After those coming to the altar have been served, Pastor will bring communion to you at your seat.

# HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

"Lamb of God"

Marty Haugen

*Congregation:*                      *Congregation or assistant:*



Lamb of God,                      you take a - way the sin of the

*Congregation:*




world:                      have mer - cy on us,                      mer - cy on us,

*Final time:*                      *Cong. or assistant:*



mer - cy on us.                      Lamb of God,                      you

*Congregation:*



take a - way the sin of the world:                      grant us peace,



grant us peace,                      grant us                      peace.

*Additional invocations:*

you break the chains of hatred and fear:  
you are the way of justice and peace:  
you are the way of mercy and love:



"Come, Let Us Eat" - **ELW 491**  
 "Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal" - **ELW 464**

"Touch that Soothes and Heals" - **ACS 939** CHOIR only st. 1;  
 ALL st. 2-4.



1 Touch that soothes and heals the hurt - ing, hands that  
 2 Feed the hun - gry, clothe the na - ked, vis - it  
 3 Love and serve with - out dis - tinc - tion all earth's  
 4 Hands that beck - on lit - tle chil - dren, bind a



break a loaf of bread; steps that walk be - side the  
 ones in need of care, give the home - less warmth and  
 peo - ple, first and least. Know with - in each act of  
 wound, pre - pare a meal, feet that rush to share good



wea - ry, bear - ing bur - dens in their stead:  
 shel - ter: Christ will find a wel - come there.  
 kind - ness hope and whole - ness are in - creased.  
 tid - ings, Christ a - ris - en, still re - veal.

*Refrain*



"See my hands and feet," said Je - sus, love a - ris - en from the



grave. "Be my hands and feet," said Je - sus, "live as



ones I died to save."

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 Music: CIVILITY, Gregg DeMey, b. 1972  
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- "We Come to the Hungry Feast" - **ELW 479**
- "Now the Green Blade Rises" - **ELW 379**
- "As We Gather at Your Table" - **ELW 522**
- "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises" - **ELW 535**

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

# Sending

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ◆ BENEDICTION

*Presider:* May God bless and keep us.  
 May God's face shine on us and be gracious.  
 May God look on us with favor and ☩ give us peace.

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff, labeled "Presider:", is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It contains the notes G4 (half), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), and G4 (half), with the lyrics "— give us peace." below. The second staff, labeled "Congregation:", is in 4/4 time and contains the notes A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), and G4 (half), with the lyrics "A - men." below. A slur covers the notes A4, B4, and C5.

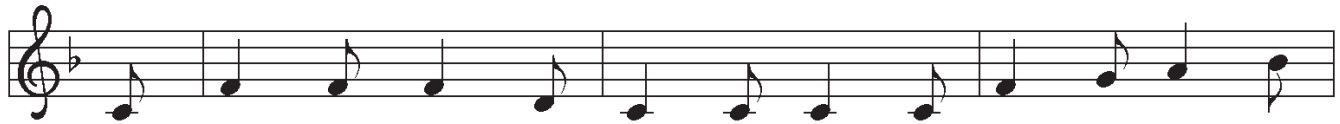
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◆ SENDING HYMN

"I Come with Joy"

ELW 482

All Verses



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are  
 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion  
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in  
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in  
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and  
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -  
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.  
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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SENDING

AM Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE:

"Chaconne"

- Louis Couperin

Thank you to all who serve in worship!

	<b>Serving Sunday April 19</b>	<b>Serving Next Sunday April 26</b>
<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
<b>Music Ministers</b>	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Eva Kllogjeri	Mandy Englund
<b>Acolyte</b>	Hannah Kress	Cameron Dahl
<b>Lector</b>	Christie Peterson	Laura Engebretsen
<b>Greeters</b>	Dotty Murray Janet Wyman	Jean Miller Cathy Smith
<b>Ushers</b>	Dan & Patsy Martin	Mike Miller Jim Zielinski
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Terri Olsen Janet Wyman	Janet Wyman Judy Sheahan
<b>Fellowship Hosts</b>	Judy Bendtsen & Roger Taxdahl Maria Day Glenda & Keith Gundersen	Gary & Jenifer Troxel Dan & Patsy Martin Kathy Shoop
<b>Flowers</b>	Tim & Karma Larson	Ron & Gailyn Ploeg
<b>Council Member of the Day</b>	Keith Peterson	Dennis Jensen



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*Scripture Readings for next Sunday, April 26th, are:*

**Acts 2:42-47      Psalm 23      1 Peter 2:19-25      John 10:1-10**

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