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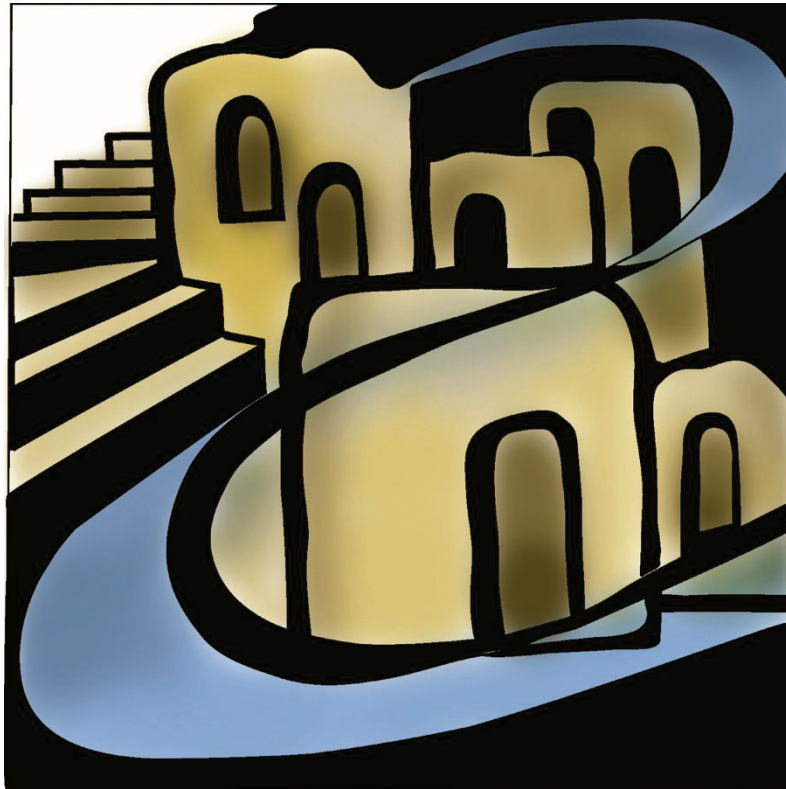
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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 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.

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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 "Morning Has Broken/Baptized in Water"
(tune: Bunessan) - arr. Fred Bock

◆ 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

"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!"

ELW 377

Verses 1, 2, and 3



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!

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◆ 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"

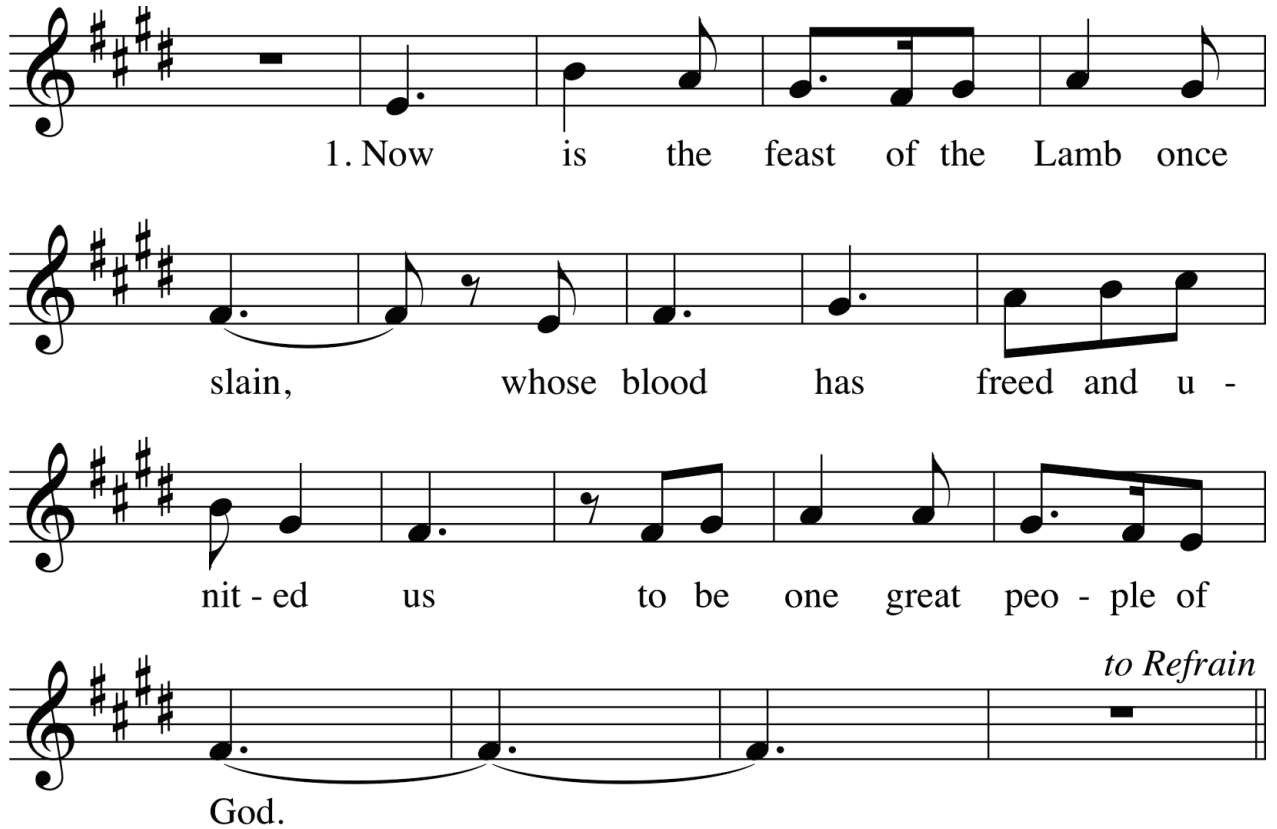
(Refrain-sung by all, Vs. 1 women only, Vs. 2 men only, Vs 3 All)

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!

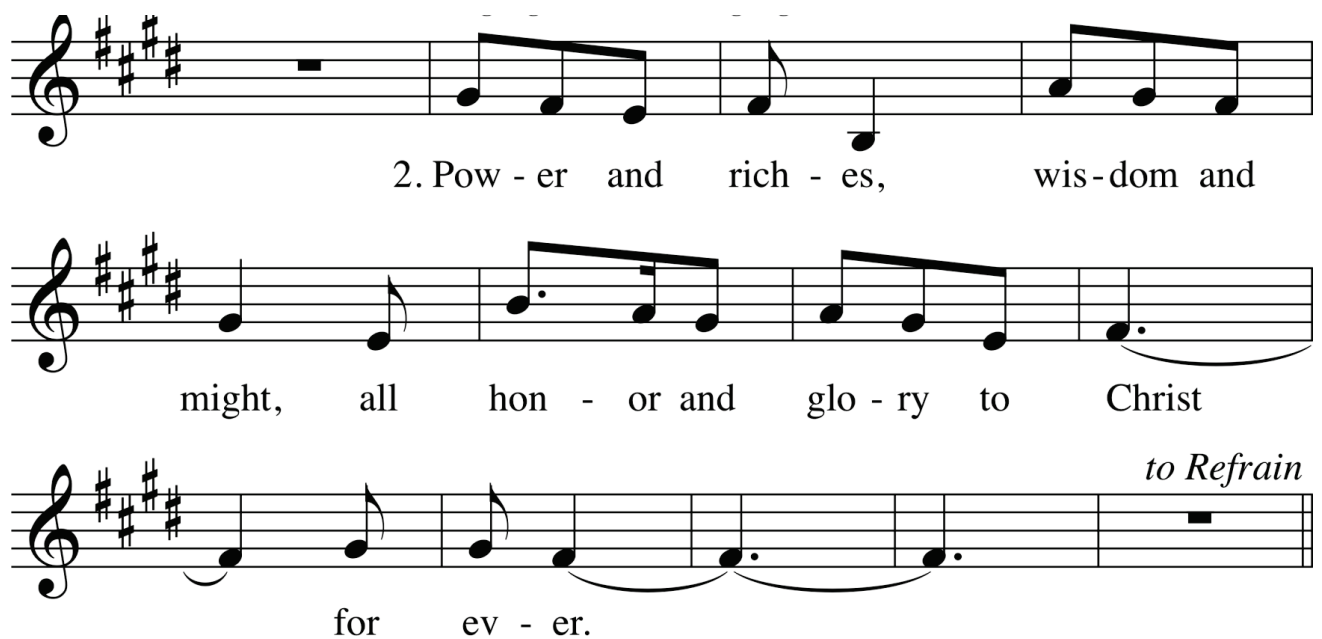
Verse 1 - Women



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 is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps: F# and C#). The melody begins with a whole rest, followed by a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The lyrics "1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once" are aligned under these notes. The second line starts with a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The lyrics "slain, whose blood has freed and u -" are aligned under these notes. The third line starts with a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The lyrics "nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of" are aligned under these notes. The fourth line starts with a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The lyrics "God." are aligned under these notes. The staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

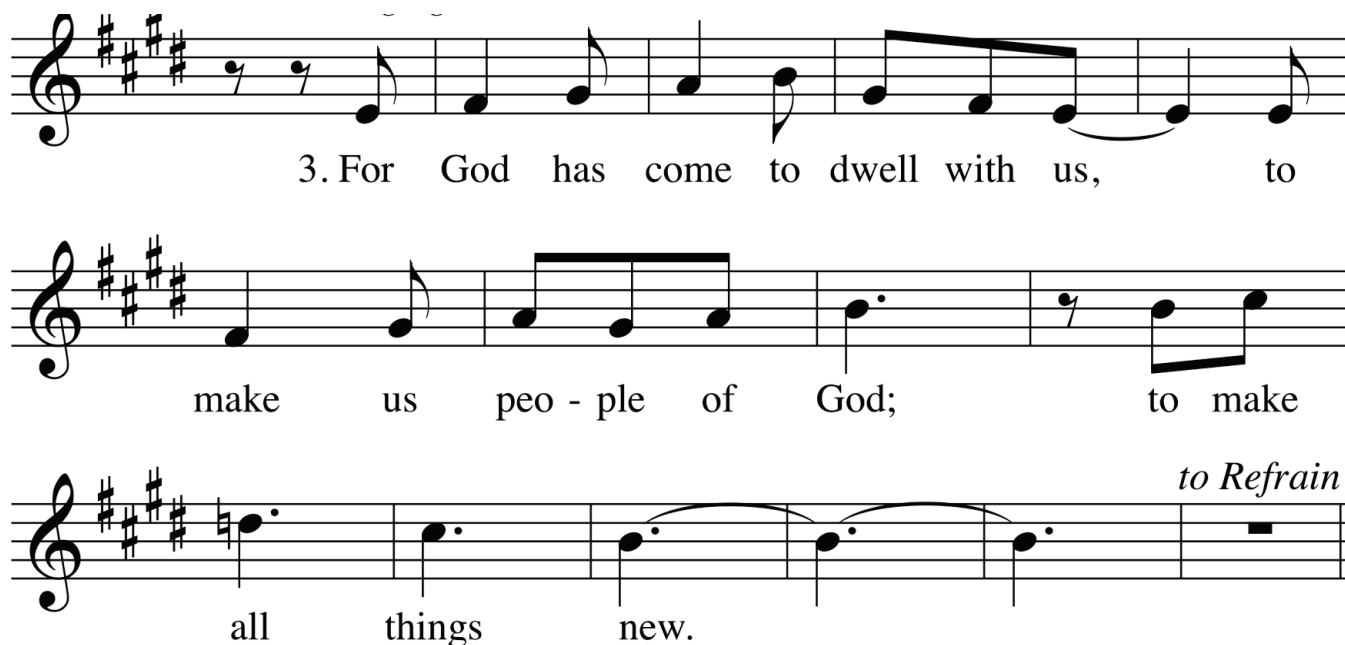
Verse 2 - Men



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

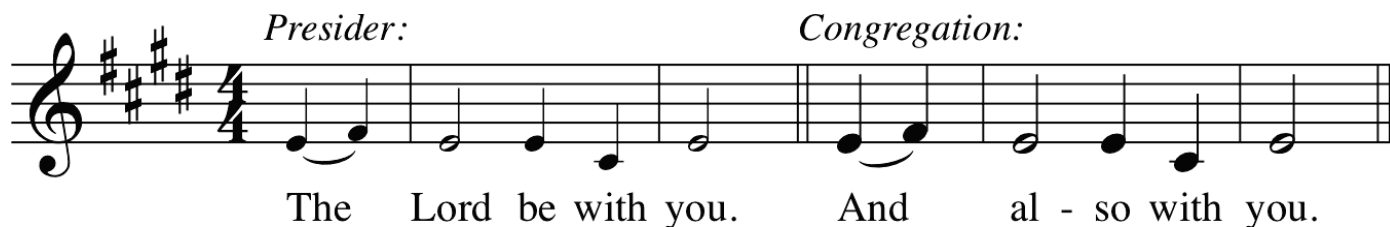
The musical notation for Verse 2 - Men is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps: F# and C#). The melody begins with a whole rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The lyrics "2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and" are aligned under these notes. The second line starts with a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The lyrics "might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ" are aligned under these notes. The third line starts with a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The lyrics "for ev - er." are aligned under these notes. The staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

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 ...

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he 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 7:55-60

Stephen was one of the seven men chosen by the apostles to serve tables so that the apostles could be free to serve the word (Acts 6:1-6). Stephen does more than distribute food, however. For his preaching of God's word, he becomes the first martyr of the faith.

⁵⁵ Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸ Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him, and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

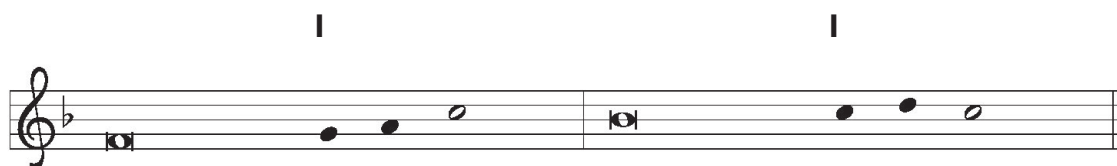
C Thanks be to God.



PSALM

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)



- ¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be | put to shame;
deliver me | in your righteousness.
- ² **Incline your | ear to me;**
make haste to de- | liver me.
- ³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag | and my
stronghold;
for the sake of your name, lead | me and guide me.
- ⁴ **Take me out of the net that they have secretly | set for me,**
for you are my tow- | er of strength.
- ⁵ Into your hands I com- | mend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me, O LORD, | God of truth.
- ¹⁵ **My times are | in your hand;**
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute
me.
- ¹⁶ Let your face shine up- | on your servant;
save me in your | steadfast love.”



SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:2-10

Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives. We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.

² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴ Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷ This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner,”

⁸ and

“A stone that makes them stumble
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

¹⁰ Once you were not a people,
but now you are God's people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

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

John 14:1-14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the fourteenth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor John Guthridge

SERMON

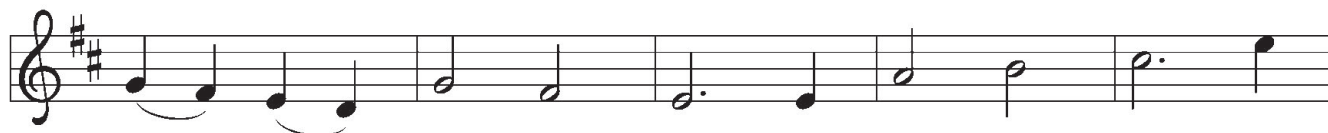
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◆ HYMN OF THE DAY "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" **ELW 389**
Verses 1, 2, and 5



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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Sacrament of Holy Baptism

We celebrate the Baptism of Clarice Rose Miles, child of Austin & Hannah Miles.

Sponsors are Holly and Ken Wood.

The Baptism of Allan Bjorn Fredrickson, sponsors are his children:

Darcy Fredrickson, Sonia Highet, Amy Borg, and Todd Fredrickson.

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

(ELW p. 229)

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C 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.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C 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.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

(ELW p. 230)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

BAPTISM

(ELW p. 230)

P *Clarice Miles / Allan Fredrickson*, I baptize you in the name of
the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.

C Alleluia.



PRAYER AND ANOINTING

P *Clarice Miles / Allan Fredrickson*, child of God, you have been
sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C Amen.

WELCOME

(ELW p. 231)

P Jesus said, I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me
will have the light of life.
Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good work
and glorify your Father in heaven.
Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C We welcome you into the body of Christ
and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.
Amen.**

◆ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(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.*

OFFERTORY: CHORAL ANTHEM

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee” - arr. Ed Lojeski
TEXT adapted from ELW 697

Congregation remains seated while offering is collected.

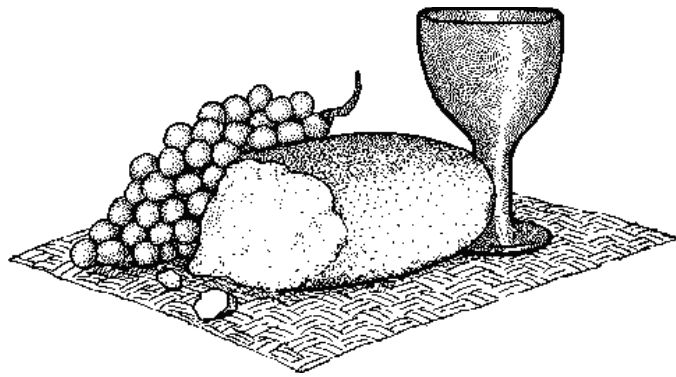
◆ THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

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.

THE OFFERING *The ministry of Edison Lutheran Church is financially supported entirely by the donations of members and visitors. Your gift furthers this congregation’s ministry to those in need, helps foster fellowship, and promotes the spread of the life-giving gospel of Jesus Christ. Donations may be put in the offering plate, sent by mail, or given online by visiting our website or scanning the QR code to the right. We appreciate your generosity!*





◆ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Marty Haugen

Presider: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with

Presider: *Congregation:*

you. Lift up your hearts. We

Presider:

lift them to the Lord. Let us give

Congregation:

thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

continued on next page

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

Choral Anthem

- Albert Hay Malotte / arr. Peter Blau Ormsby



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:

"Beautiful Savior"

- ELW 838



"Touch That Soothes and Heals" - ACS 939



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."

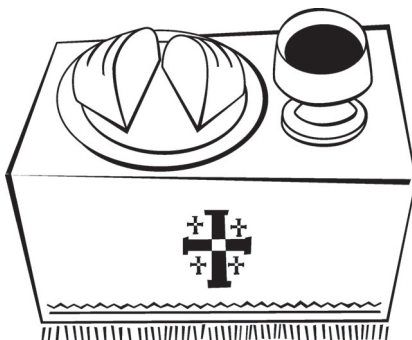
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- "Baptized in Water" - **ELW 456**
- "We Know That Christ Is Raised" - **ELW 449**
- "Let Us Break Bread Together" - **ELW 471**
- "Come, Let Us Eat" - **ELW 491**
- "What Feast of Love" - **ELW 487**
- "I Come with Joy" - **ELW 482**
- "Eat This Bread" - **ELW 492** REPEAT as led by the organ.

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.

Presider: — give us peace. *Congregation:* A - men.

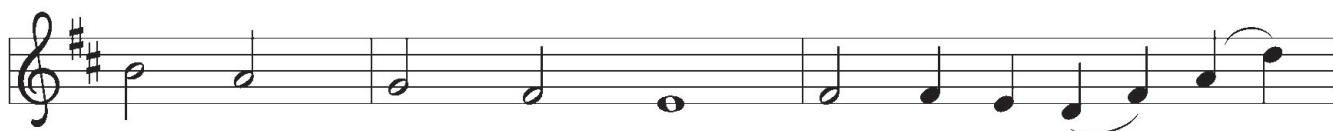
Musical notation for the benediction. The first part, labeled 'Presider:', is in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature. It consists of a whole note followed by a quarter note, a half note, and another whole note. The second part, labeled 'Congregation:', is in 4/4 time and consists of a quarter note, an eighth note, a quarter note, an eighth note, a quarter note, a half note, and a whole note. A slur covers the eighth notes and the quarter note following them.

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◆ SENDING HYMN "I Know That My Redeemer Lives!" **ELW 619**
Verses 1, 2, 3, and 4



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
 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,
 guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
 wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my



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.

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, alt.
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

◆ SENDING

AM Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE:

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

- Ludwig van Beethoven/arr. Hal H. Hopson

Thank you to all who serve in worship!

	Serving Sunday May 3	Serving Next Sunday May 10
Presiding Minister	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
Music Ministers	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
Assisting Minister	Bonnie Bowers	Chris Omdal
Acolyte	Brayden Kress	Hannah Kress
Lector	Susie Forsythe	Bryan Galbraith
Greeters	Linda Nilsen Linda Johnson	Inger Conner Laura Engebretsen
Ushers	Brad Wyman Cathy Smith	Jon & Susie Aarstad
Altar Guild	Judy Sheahan Kay Zielinski	Kay Zielinski Debbie Conijn
Fellowship Hosts	Jenny & Jerry Nelson Linda Larson / Jerry Sells Don & Marilyn Zorn	Judy Sheahan Kristin Caldwell John & Candy Johnson
Flowers	Judy Sheahan	Darcy Hamilton
Council Member of the Day	Jon Aarstad	Laura Engebretsen



Scripture Readings for next Sunday, May 10th, are:

Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66:8-20 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21

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