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## Third Sunday of **EASTER**



**April 26, 2020**

**Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...**

*an adventure for life!*

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

## WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

We Are An Offering

Dwight Liles, arr. Mark Hayes, Lorenz Publishing, 2019

Welcome

Hymn

Morning Has Broken

(sing two verses)

1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black - bird has  
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first  
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the  
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet  
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.  
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881–1965  
Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version  
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## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

**First Reading**      **Acts 2:14a, 38-42** (Contemporary English Version)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter stood with the eleven apostles and spoke in a loud and clear voice to the crowd:

“Friends and everyone else living in Jerusalem, listen carefully to what I have to say!

“Turn back to God! Be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, so that your sins will be forgiven. Then you will be given the Holy Spirit. This promise is for you and your children. It is for everyone our Lord God will choose, no matter where they live.”

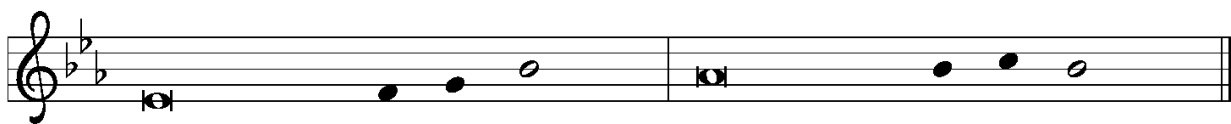
Peter told them many other things as well. Then he said, “I beg you to save yourselves from what will happen to all these evil people.” On that day about three thousand believed his message and were baptized. They spent their time learning from the apostles, and they were like family to each other. They also broke bread and prayed together.

Word of God, Word of Life

**Thanks be to God.**



## Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19



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I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice,  
and listened to my | supplication,  
**for the LORD has given | ear to me**  
**whenev- | er I called.**

The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave | came upon  
me;

I came to | grief and sorrow.

**Then I called upon the name | of the LORD:**  
**“O Lord, I pray you, | save my life.”**

How shall I re- | pay the LORD  
for all the good things God has | done for me?

**I will lift the cup | of salvation**  
**and call on the name | of the LORD.**

I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD  
in the presence of | all God’s people.

**Precious in your | sight, O LORD,**  
**is the death | of your servants.**

O LORD, truly I | am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me | from  
my bonds.

**I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving**  
**and call upon the name | of the LORD.**

I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD  
in the presence of | all God’s people,

**in the courts of | the LORD’s house,**  
**in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. | Hallelujah!**

## Gospel

Luke 24:13-35 (The Message, alt.)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

The day Jesus rose from the dead, two of his followers were walking to the village Emmaus, about seven miles out of Jerusalem. They were deep in conversation, going over all these things that had happened. In the middle of their talk and questions, Jesus came up and walked along with them. But they were not able to recognize who he was.

He asked, "What's this you're discussing so intently as you walk along?"

They just stood there, long-faced, like they had lost their best friend. Then one of them, his name was Cleopas, said, "Are you the only one in Jerusalem who hasn't heard what's happened during the last few days?"

He said, "What has happened?"

They said, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene. He was a man of God, a prophet, dynamic in work and word, blessed by both God and all the people. Then our high priests and leaders betrayed him, got him sentenced to death, and crucified him. And we had our hopes up that he was the One, the One about to deliver Israel. And it is now the third day since it happened. But now some of our women have completely confused us. Early this morning they were at the tomb and couldn't find his body. They came back with the story that they had seen a vision of angels who said he was alive. Some of our friends went off to the tomb to check and found it empty just as the women said, but they didn't see Jesus."

Then he said to them, "So thick-headed! So slow-hearted! Why can't you simply believe all that the prophets said? Don't you see that these things had to happen, that the Messiah had to suffer and only then enter into his glory?" Then he started at the beginning, with the Books of Moses, and went on through all the Prophets, pointing out everything in the Scriptures that referred to him.

They came to the edge of the village where they were headed. He acted as if he were going on but they pressed him: "Stay and have supper with us. It's nearly evening; the day is done." So he went in with them. And here is what happened: He sat down at the table with them. Taking the bread, he blessed and broke and gave it to them. At that moment, open-eyed, wide-eyed, they recognized him. And then he disappeared.

Back and forth they talked. "Didn't we feel on fire as he conversed with us on the road, as he opened up the Scriptures for us?"

They didn't waste a minute. They were up and on their way back to Jerusalem. They found the Eleven and their friends gathered together, talking away: "It's really happened! The Master has been raised up— Simon saw him!"

Then the two went over everything that happened on the road and how they recognized him when he broke the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord

Message

Praise to you, O Christ.

*LETTING GO*



## Ministry of Music

***They Could Not*** Ron Harris and Claire Cloninger  
Sung and signed by Emily Kent / Bennett Whitaker

They looked at Him and saw a simple man.  
A carpenter with healing in His hands.  
They saw Him calm the sea, and heal a dying man.  
They saw, but could they really understand?

They could not, they could not.  
Though they tried, they could not.  
He was just a simple carpenter with healing in His hands.  
But could they really understand? They could not.

They listened to the teaching that they heard.  
And wondered at the mystery of His word.  
They wondered what He meant, about a Father's plan.  
They heard, but could they really understand?

They could not, they could not.  
Though they tried, they could not.  
They listened to the teaching about His Father's plan.  
But could they really understand? They could not.

So finally upon a rugged cross  
They killed the man who would not suffer loss.  
And when at last they took what willingly He gave,  
He died, but could they keep Him in the grave?

They could not, they could not!  
Praise God, they could not!  
And when at last they took from Him  
What willingly He gave,  
Could they keep Him in the grave?  
Could they keep Him in the grave?  
Could they keep Him in the grave?

They could not, they could not!  
Praise God, they could not!  
And when at last they took from Him  
What willingly He gave,  
Could they keep Him in the grave?  
Could they keep Him in the grave?  
Could they keep Him in the grave?  
They could not!



## **Apostles Creed**

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**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.**

## **Community Prayers**

Let us pray....

**Amen.**

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Lea Spang, recovering from surgery, Bonnie Hegreiness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kelly Scott, Diane Louangrath, Sue Baker, Julie Denniss' uncle Ed Stewart, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Amy DeLorenzo, Linda and Don Williams, Pamela Andrews, Tom Kent, Val Farnham, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's mother Maryland Belhorn and friend MaryAnn, Laura Warren's brother Walter Hudson, Bill Boys, Doretha Holland, Madelyn Zimmer's daughter DJ, Dolores Brannigan's husband Donald, Marques Highland and family on the death of his grandmother Charlie Mae Highland, Reinoehl family on the death of Dave's mother Esther, Wendy Stoica and family on the death of her brother Mark, Shirley and Jack Miller.

## **Sharing the peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.



## WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

### Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**And also with you.  
We lift them to the Lord.**

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



We stand in the resurrection garden of God – a place filled and shaped by love and ripe with all it might become when we are open to the Spirit's life and ours become one. This is the table of the risen Jesus – a place fashioned and furnished by love and rich with its promises. So come – whether you have seen and believed, or are dubious and doubting still, whether you confess confidently, or come to this meal with a fragile, fearful heart. Come and share these gifts of grace, encounter Christ, and be healed by Love and transformed by Life.

We remember with wonder and joy that Love, though broken on a cross, was not defeated. We rejoice that Love, though swallowed by death, was not silenced. Neither defeated nor silenced, Love lives and speaks words of welcome, healing and hope to all. In awe of all you have done and all you are doing through us, we join our voices with that of Creation and with all those who bear witness across the world and throughout the ages to the eternal power of your Love and Life:

*Congregation:*

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!

Before the bright dawn in the garden – in which Love was resurrected, before the cold silence of the tomb – by which Love was swallowed, before the black horror of the cross – on which Love was broken, before the bitter struggle of the Gethsemane garden – through which Love affirmed its choices, Jesus ate a final supper with his friends. He took bread, blessed it, and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take this, and eat! This is my body, broken for you. Do this to remember me.” After supper, he took a cup of wine and gave it to them, saying, “This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. As often as you drink this, do so to remember me.”

And so we pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

### **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

Recalling that meal and honoring that life, eating this bread and drinking this cup, we thank you, God, for making us part of the ongoing story of your Love and Life. Now, we pray, send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine, that we may once again encounter Christ's Love and be transformed by Christ's Life.

### **Sharing the Meal**



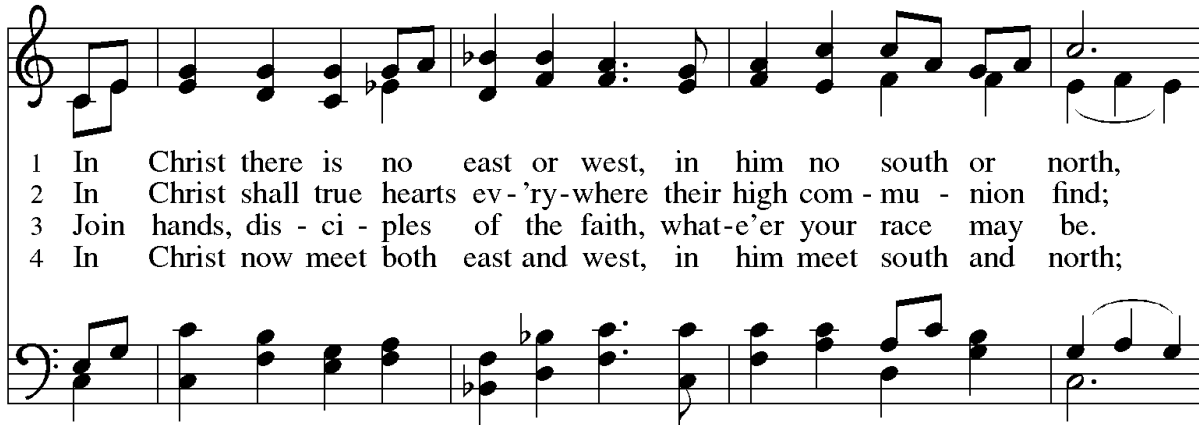
### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

We give you thanks, Holy God, that in this meal, Jesus Christ, Love resurrected, has met us once again in this garden and touched and transformed us with Life. May the peace of the Resurrected One – the challenging peace of committed life, the liberating peace of selfless love, the vibrant peace of new possibility – recall us to radical living, empower us for rich loving, and transform us with radiant joy. Alleluia! **Amen.**

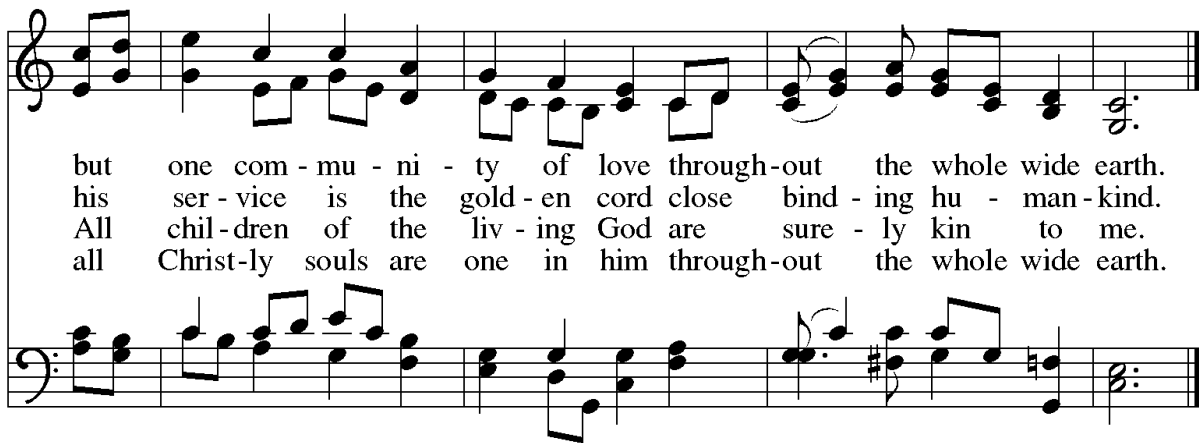
## WE ARE SENT

Hymn

In Christ There Is No East or West (sing two verses)



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,  
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com - mu - nion find;  
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.  
4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com - mu - ni - ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.  
his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man-kind.  
All chil - dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.  
all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.

Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

**Blessing**

**Amen.**

**Postlude**

Low in the Grave He Lay

Robert Lowry, arr. Mark Hayes, Lorenz Publishing, 2016

**Our first act of love is to greet those standing near us and around us.**

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## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	David Shull, Pastor
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Kay Ernsthausen
<b>ASL Interpreter</b>	Tori Reed
<b>Reader</b>	Heidi Sherer
<b>Cantor</b>	Jennifer Young
<b>Organist &amp; Senior Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chimes Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Producer</b>	Kristi Hildebrand

*Flowers are dedicated by **Chad Eberle** and **John Caron**  
celebrating their 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Noisy Offering will go to Kaleidoscope Youth Center.*

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER APRIL 26 – MAY 3

<b>Today</b>	YouTube 10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion Zoom Adult Sunday School
<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00 pm	Zoom Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 pm	Zoom Conversations about Race
<b>Next Sunday</b>	YouTube 10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion Zoom Adult Sunday School



Birthdays this week:  
27 - Margie Frazier  
27 - Dora Pinder  
28 - Edwina Bradley  
1 - Daniel Pawlowski  
2 - Niciolas Amon  
2 - Trevor Binau  
2 - Jonathan Denniss



Tuesdays 1- 2:30 pm  
via Zoom  
**1 Corinthians**  
We'd love to have you!



**Conversations on Race**  
**Wednesday**  
**7:00 pm via Zoom**

Join us as we as we discuss **White Fragility** by Robin DiAngelo.