

MORNING WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday of Easter | April 28, 2024 at 9:30 AM | Christ the King Lutheran

GATHER

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds ELW 367

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign made at baptism.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
the wellspring of grace, our Easter joy.

Amen

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.
Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea
into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John
 and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
 By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
 you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,
 freeing us to live as Easter people.

**We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you,
 through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.**

Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE Now the Feast and Celebration

ELW 167



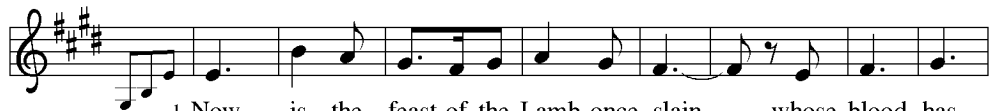
Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



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.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, silence, preaching, and song.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Hallelujah! Praise Ye the Lord! LS 179

All may rise in body or spirit to welcome God's word among us.



GOSPEL John 15:1-8

The gospel is announced:

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Sonja Hagander

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

○ Blessed Spring

ELW 447

All may rise in body or spirit to proclaim the word of God in song.



1 O bless - ed spring, where word and sign em - brace us
 2 Through sum - mer heat of youth - ful years, un - cer - tain
 3 When au - tumn cools and youth is cold, when limbs their
 4 As win - ter comes, as win - ters must, we breathe our
 5 Christ, ho - ly Vine, Christ, liv - ing Tree, be praised for



in - to Christ the Vine: here Christ en - joins each one to
 faith, re - bel - lious tears, sus - tained by Christ's in - fus - ing
 heav - y har - vest hold, then through us, warm, the Christ will
 last, re - turn to dust; still held in Christ, our souls take
 this blest mys - ter - y: that word and wa - ter thus re -



be a branch of this life - giv - ing Tree.
 rain, the boughs will shout for joy a - gain.
 move with gifts of beau - ty, wis - dom, love.
 wing and trust the prom - ise of the spring.
 vive and join us to your Tree of Life.

PRAYERS

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

All may greet each other with a sign of Christ's peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

We Abide, We Abide in You Porter's Gate
Megan + Nate

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church,
including the care of those in need.

Kids are welcome to go to the back of the Sanctuary
to bring forward the gifts.

WAYS TO GIVE



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Electronic gifts to Christ the King are fast and secure, and they reduce administrative costs, allowing more of every dollar to fund the important work we are called to do. Visit lifeatctk.org/givenow or scan the QR code to give now.

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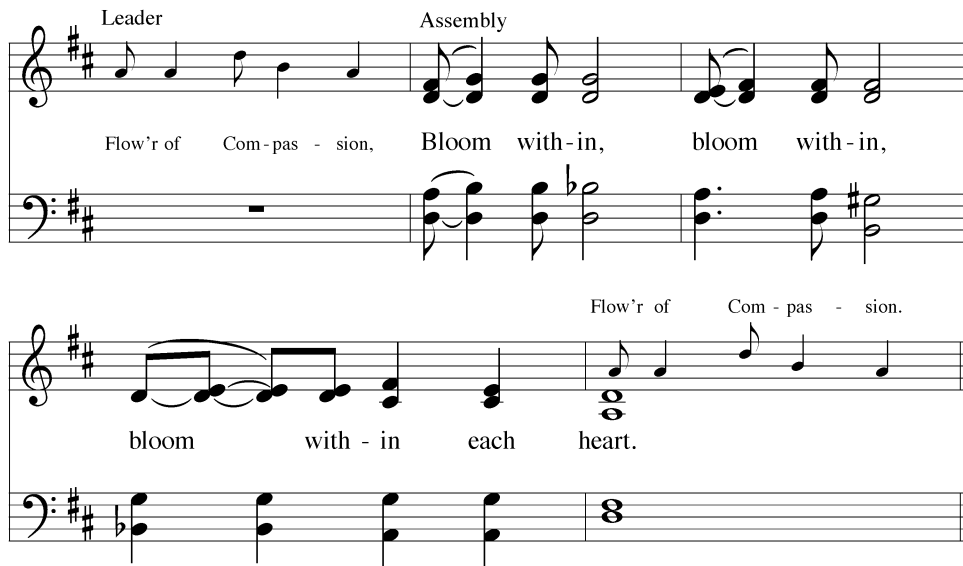
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SETTING THE TABLE

Flower of Compassion

Hesla

Leader Assembly



Flow'r of Com-pas - sion, Bloom with-in, bloom with-in,
bloom with - in each heart.

Leader sings:

Blossom of Love... Vision of Justice... Garden of Mercy... Promise of Beauty...

OFFERING PRAYER

**Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest; and let these gifts to us be blessed.
Your love breaks open seeds of sin to let your joy bloom from within.
Amen**

DIALOGUE

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.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels,
cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

from Foundry Hymnal

Andy Pokel

Whol-ly one and Ho - ly Three, in - fin - ite yet close to me.
Mak - er, Son, and Liv - ing Flame; God of all who calls my name.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics: "Whol-ly one and Ho - ly Three, in - fin - ite yet close to me." The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics: "Mak - er, Son, and Liv - ing Flame; God of all who calls my name." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,
let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father...

INVITATION

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at Christ's table. Those who do not yet commune or who do not wish to receive communion may still come forward to receive a blessing. If you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer, please let the communion server know. Non-alcoholic grape juice is available. Please, let an usher know if you would like a pastor to bring communion to you while you remain seated. Come as you are. See for yourself.

COMMUNION SONG Lamb of God Andy Pokel

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world; your love sets us
free. Lamb of God, you wipe a-way our tears at the grave; your
life con-quired death. Fill our souls and bod-ies with your peace. A - men

COMMUNION SONGS There in God's Garden ELW 342
Mercy, We Abide in You ACS 1077
Leaders sing verses, all sing refrain.

Refrain - All Mer-cy, we a - bide in you. Stir in us, we pray. *Fine*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SEND

God blesses us and sends us to join God's mission in the world.

BLESSING

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope ✝ bless you now and always.

Amen

SENDING SONG Let All Things Now Living ELW 881

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP LEADERS + PLANNING TEAM

Caleb Anderson, Sound Technician; Pastor Sarah Anderson, Interim Associate Pastor;
Roger Bloomquist, Worship Coordinator; Nate Crary, Director of Worship; Megan Crosby, Cantor;
Pastor Sonja Hagander, Lead Pastor; Henry Miller, Worship Media Operator;
Deb Wolterstorff, Director of Children + Family Ministry; Don Zatroch, Camera Operator

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Peder Eide, Carolyn Erkitz, Jim Hanson, Sue Heurung, Laurie Johnson,
Shelly Lausche, Aubrey Olson, Ron Olsen, Bruce Phelps, Bill Stone, Raymond Wolf

WE COMFORT THE GRIEVING

For the family and loved ones mourning the death of Joyce Fuhrman

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Leila Fischer, Joe Miskowic, Bob Noer, Billie Ward, Cliff Weiss, Kao Yang



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