MORNING WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday of Easter | May 5, 2024 at 9:30 AM | Christ the King Lutheran

GATHER

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

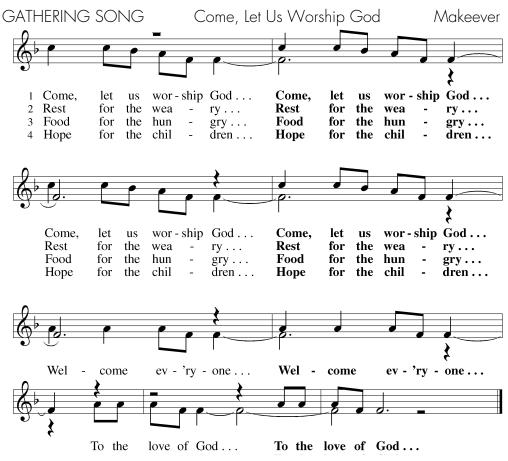
PRELUDE

Mountain Springs King's Ringers Handbell Choir by Sondra K. Tucker

WELCOME

INVOCATION 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**



WORD

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM	Gracious Spirit Dwell with Me Sanctuary Choir	arr. K. Lee Scott
FIRST READING	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Pew Bible N.T. pg. 175

The reading is concluded:

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SUNG RESPONSE Hallelujah! Praise Ye the Lord! LS 179 All may rise in body or spirit to welcome God's word among us.



The gospel is announced:

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

"I've loved you the way my Father has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love. If you keep my commands, you'll remain intimately at home in my love. That's what I've done—kept my Father's commands and made myself at home in his love. "I've told you these things for a purpose: that my joy might be your joy, and your joy wholly mature. This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you. This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends. You are my friends when you do the things I command you. I'm no longer calling you servants because servants don't understand what their master is thinking and planning. No, I've named you friends because I've let you in on everything I've heard from the Father. "You

didn't choose me, remember; I chose you, and put you in the world to bear fruit, fruit that won't spoil. As fruit bearers, whatever you ask the Father in relation to me, he gives you. "But remember the root command: Love one another.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Sarah Anderson

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY



AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Madeline Johnson

PRESENTATION

PRAYFR

Merciful God, we thank you for Madeline, who you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called her to yourself, enlightened her with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished her in the community of faith. Uphold your servant in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen

PROFESSION OF FAITH

All may rise in body or spirit.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God? We renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father? I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

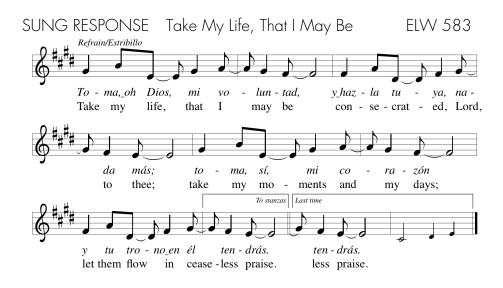
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

AFFIRMATION

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Madeline: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support Madeline and pray for her in her life in Christ? We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.



LAYING ON OF HANDS

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in Madeline the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen**

WELCOME Let us rejoice with our sibling in Christ. We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

All sing, "Take my life, that I may be..."

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

Love Will Never Fail Confirmation Band Porter's Gate

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

WAYS TO GIVE

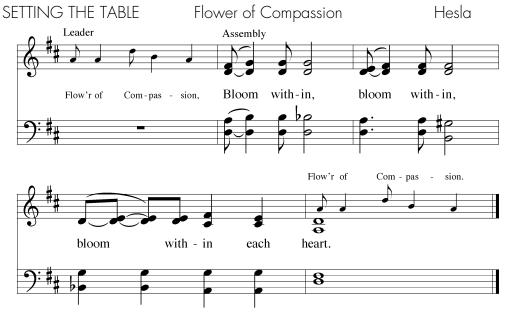


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Leader sings:

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.

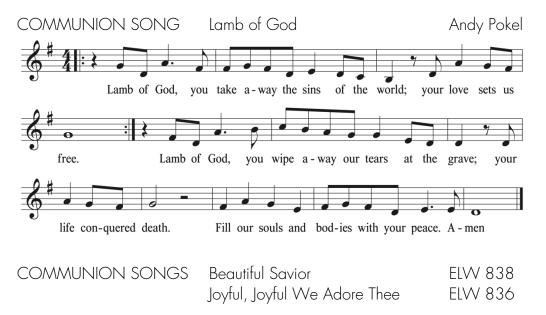
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.



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

This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677

DISMISSAL Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

This Joy

setting, John Carter

WORSHIP LEADERS + PLANNING TEAM

Pastor Sarah Anderson, Interim Associate Pastor; Nate Crary, Director of Worship; Megan Crosby, Cantor; Elijah Deaton-Berg, Sound Technician; Pastor Sonja Hagander, Lead Pastor; Julie Johnson, Worship Media Operator; Adam Miller, Worship Coordinator; Deb Wolterstorff, Director of Children + Family Ministry; Don Zatroch, Camera Operator

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Carolyn Erkfitz, Jim Hanson, John Hanson, Laurie Johnson, Ron Olsen, Raymond Wolf

WE COMFORT THE GRIEVING

For the families and loved ones mourning the deaths of Peder Eide and Joyce Fuhrman

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Leila Fischer, Shelly Lausche, Aubrey Olson, Joe Miskowic, Bob Noer, Bruce Phelps, Bill Stone, Billie Ward, Cliff Weiss, Kao Yang