



# We are glad you are with us today.

We are a family of faith living and growing together in Christ.

This bulletin is filled with information about the life of the church, you are invited to take it home for reference and further reflection during the week. Various updates and additional church information, along with the Pastor Tim's sermons, are posted each week on our website — *www.holyspirit-elca.org*. Welcome cards/ envelopes are located in the pew rack. Please take a moment to fill out the information and return it to the offering plate.

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As we worship and celebrate communion this morning we remind you that this is the Lord's table. Jesus is the host. We are his guests. God welcomes everyone to come and eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Come and eat and live! Please extend your hand to receive the bread, then take a cup from the tray. Please indicate if you prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer. Those not receiving communion are welcome to receive a blessing.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Holy Spirit, please see Pastor Tim. Membership comes through baptism or affirmation of faith.

Please let us know if we can be of service to you in any way!

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# SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION.

PRELUDE	"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"	Powell

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- **P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P Source of all life,
- C we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free.
  We fear that we are not good enough.
  We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it.

We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us.

Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.

- P God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

**GATHERING HYMN** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!" ELW 369 Hymn is printed on page 18 **HYMN OF PRAISE** 





#### **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.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

#### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Song is printed on page 20

#### FIRST READING

<sup>12</sup>[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?<sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"God's World"

<sup>17</sup>"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

- A The Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

# LYFE Choir

**Pastor Tim Linstrom** 

### Acts 3:12-19

*The choir/cantor sings the refrain first. The congregation joins in the second time and then sings the refrain as indicated.* 

### REFRAIN



L: *Refrain* 

### C: REFRAIN

L: Be faithful to me when I call, free me from my trouble; I need You now, listen to my prayer.

### C: REFRAIN

L: Look, look! Those who believe are amazed; The Lord will bend to hear me when I call.

#### C: REFRAIN

L: You fill my heart with joy, more than the world can give. In Your presence now I sleep, with peace in Your embrace

### **C: REFRAIN**

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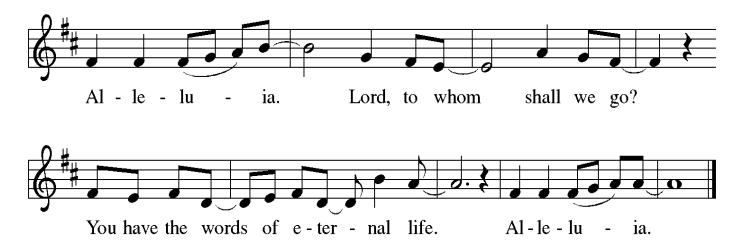
#### **SECOND READING**

### 1 John 3:1-7

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

- A The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



## **GOSPEL VERSE**

### GOSPEL

Luke 24:36b-48

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twenty fourth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

P <sup>36b</sup>Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as

you see that I have." <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate in their presence.

<sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things."

- P The Gospel of the Lord
- **C Praise to you, O Christ.**

#### SERMON

#### **Pastor Tim Linstrom**

Please Stand		
<b>HYMN OF THE DAY</b> <i>Hymn printed on pages 19</i>	"We Walk by Faith"	ELW 635

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

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.

# THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

O God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life. God of grace,

- C hear our prayer.
- A O God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety. God of grace,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- A O God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people. We pray for those serving in the military and their families, especially Amelia
   Eastman, Thomas Menter (grandson of Louise), Dylan Utterback (son of Julie & Joel), Jim Detjen (brother of Mary), and Kimberly Koblas (daughter of Wendy & Jim). God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A O God our elder, you care for all your children. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty. We especially pray for Katie Bally, Ruth Berman, Ethan Cloonan, Amy Dohler, Jane Ernst, Elizabeth Falato, Jean Gates, Dorothea Lehtinen, Bill Lynn, Marian McBride, Cathy Nathan, Inge Ohnona, Ken Rosko, Tom Weglarz, Allison Wittich, John Bertrand (son of Carol Bertrand), Nancy Flynn (friend of Mary Detjen), Jim Hanzel (uncle of Patrick Cantagallo), Dana Imlah (daughter of Mary Lou Gilliam), Phil Larson (friend of Nila Bilstad), Sally Navarro (friend of Ruth Ann Grockis), the

Chase Petersen family (friends of Amy Dohler), Bruce Tagge (father of Tim Tagge), Jacob Rosenkranz (friends of the Prosk family), Michael Ungari, Lenita Spears, (relatives & friends of the Labellartes), Coco & Lukas (grandchildren of JoAnne Schwarcz), baby Ryan and his family (friends of the Pedersen family). God of grace,

- C hear our prayer.
  - A O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry. Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. God of grace,

# C hear our prayer.

- A O God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever. We remember our beloved who have died. As we remember and share their love, comfort those who mourn. We especially pray for the family and friends of **Marilee Hart** (mother in-law of Bill Vaananen). God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

C Amen.

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

# C and also with you.

All the people greet one another through the sharing of the peace.

# THE OFFERING

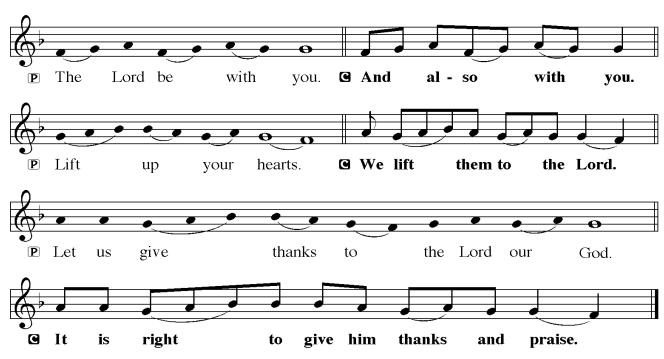
# SECOND OFFERING For World Hunger

**OFFERTORY MUSIC** "The Lamb"

Coleman/Jirsa

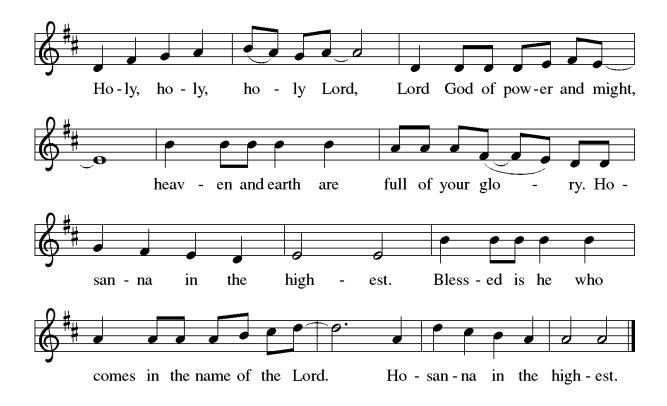
## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- A Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit.
  May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love.
  Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
- through Jesus Christ, our true vine. C Amen.



### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P 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, through 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:



P Blessed are you, O holy God:

you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.

He is your Light, shining in our darkness

and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

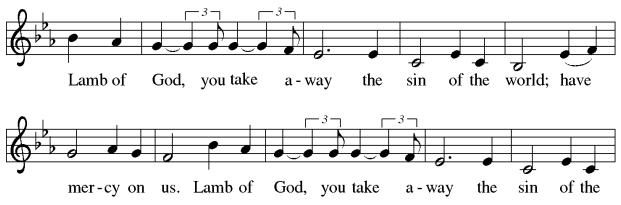
Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light. By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

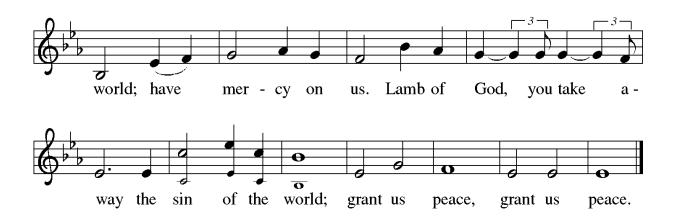
C Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P All who believe in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, are welcome at the table of the Lord. Let us pray together as our Lord taught us.
- C 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.

# **COMMUNION CANTICLE**



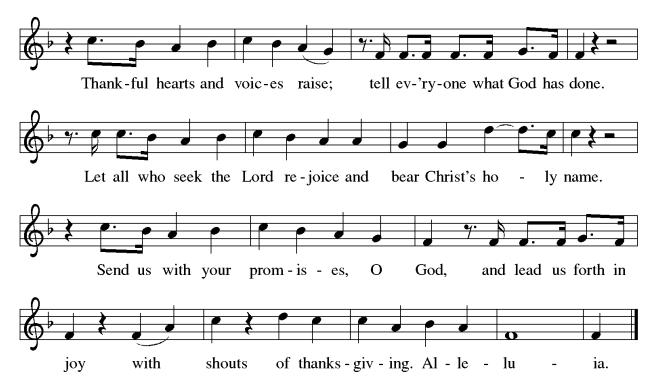


**COMMUNION HYMN** "Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing " ELW 389 Hymn is printed on page 21

# **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

- P The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

# **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**



# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

- A Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love.
  Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.
- C Amen.

### **BENEDICTION**

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope bless you now and always.

C Amen.

### SENDING HYMN

"This Joyful Eastertide"

ELW 376

Hymn is printed on page 22-23

# DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE	"This Joyful Eastertide"	Behnke
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<u>SUNDAY HOSPITALITY SERVICE</u> — Every Sunday we have hospitality coffee and treats after service. We are asking that you please consider volunteering for a Sunday on the sign up sheet in the Gathering Space. This is a simple task that makes a huge difference in the life of our church community.

**EXPOS** — Expos will be pausing their monthly meetings for the upcoming spring and summer months. Any special gatherings will be announced as they are scheduled.

**<u>QUILTERS</u>**—Quilting ministry meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m.

**THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY** — Thursday Bible Study meets from 10:15 to 11:30 a.m. and everyone is encouraged to attend. Besides delving into the Holy Scriptures, we also study contemporary theologians, our Lutheran roots, and current issues as they impact our lives. We are currently starting a new study on C.S. Lewis' best selling book "Mere Christianity". Rejecting the boundaries that divide Christianity's many denominations, Lewis provides an unequaled opportunity for believers and nonbelievers alike to hear a powerful, rational case for the Christian faith. It is a collection of scintillating brilliance that remains strikingly fresh for the modern reader and at the same time confirms C.S. Lewis' reputation as one of the leading writers and thinkers of our age. Join us for some spirited discernment and conversation! We always close our time together in prayer.

**<u>PRAYER GROUP</u>**— Our prayer group meets at 9:30 am on Thursday mornings in the Sanctuary. If you'd like to pray with us, please come! We'd love for you to join us.

**FLOWER CHART**— If you would like to donate flowers in honor or celebration of someone, please sign up on the new flower chart hanging in the Gathering Space.

**ON-LINE GIVING AND TEXT TO GIVE** — Our secure online giving option makes it more convenient for members and visitors to donate. Giving is also as easy as sending a text with our text-to-give feature. Text the amount you want to donate to

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**LIVE STREAM** — We are in the process of updating our live streaming equipment, for the time being the best option for viewing is our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/churchinthewoods or scan the QR code. Please reach out to Daaron Dohler or Jeanne Nelson if you have any questions.

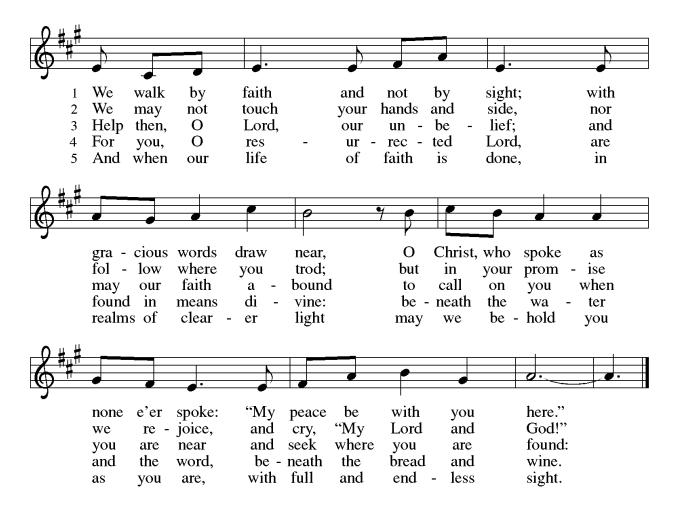




# Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!

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# We Walk by Faith



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# God's World

1. Come on kids, step into your front yard To see the Lord's blessings isn't that hard Stop, look, and listen for a minute or two God's special world is waiting for you!

> Raise your binoculars up to your eyes Look in the oak tree, there's a surprise! The Lord's creations are singing a song Inviting you to come along.....

- (Chorus) Celebrating God's world! All is great in God's world! When you see a perfect day, then it's time to believe That you're a part of God's world....like me......
- "Ask now the beasts", and they'll teach you to see God created nature - for you and for me! A chirping Chickadee, He allowed to fly Spreading His Word across the beautiful sky.

All God's creatures that inhabit the wood Proclaim the love of God and all that is good The perfect balance and harmony In Nature's big church it's so easy to see:

(Chorus) It's all there in God's hands And we're all a part of God's plan! When you see a perfect day, then it's time to believe That you're a part of God's world....with me.....

There's the Seven Wonders of the Ancients And the Modern Wonders too But the Seven Days of God's creation Are a Wonder – times two! *(repeat Verse 1 and Chorus)* 

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing 0 0 8 0 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The stands 1 cross Christ is a - live! No 2 long - er bound to dis tant rift, 3 in sult, where In ev 'ry and war, col - or, -4 Wom - en and men, in age youth, can feel the and 5 a - live, Christ is and comes to bring good news to 0 0 0 the sky. Let homes with emp ty streets and to years Pal in es tine. but sav ing, heal ing, wealth di suf vide, Christ fers still, scorn, \_ yet or and Spir hear the call, find the the it, way, this and ev -'ry age, till earth and sky and 00 prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall die. nev - er now, and place and here and touch - ing 'ry time. ev loves lives, where hope has died. the and more, e ven re - vealed in life, the truth, Je \_ sus, freed for all. joy, with jus love, and praise. 0 cean ring with \_ tice, 8 0

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Verses 1, & 3





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# HOLY SPIRIT HAPPENINGS

Sunday, April 14	9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion Bell Choir
Monday, April 15	4:00 p.m.	Confirmation
Tuesday, April 16	4:00 p.m.	LYFE
Wednesday April 17	6:15 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Bell Choir Adult Choir
Thursday April 18	9:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
Saturday, April 20	8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Life Line Screening
Sunday, April 21	9:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion

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	Patrick Cantagallo, and Nancy Fencl
Organist:	Kathy Roderer
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