

**April 24, 2022**

*Second Sunday  
of Easter*



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*Communion:*  
*1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays*

Adult Bible Study &  
Sunday School:  
9:30 am  
(Grace Hall)

Pastor:  
Richard Willsea

Deaconess:  
Karen Suter

# THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

**PRELUDE** "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" Thomas Keesecker, Raymond H. Haan  
8:00 AM, Clarinet, Charles Messersmith

"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" Thomas Keesecker  
"Christ Sits at God's Right Hand" Richard Proulx

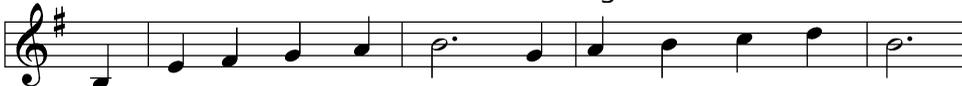
## WELCOME

*Stand*

## HYMN

### "Christ Sits at God's Right Hand"

**LSB 564**



1 Christ sits at God's right hand, His sav - ing work com - plete,  
2 Christ was that priest God swore, U - nique - ly First and Last,  
3 Christ's al - tar was the tree, Where on the world's be - half  
4 What cost - ly sac - ri - fice To cov - er hu - man sin!



To reign till ev - 'ry foe will lie Be - neath His feet—  
Who would in righ - teous - ness and love Be un - sur - passed:  
He shed a blood, un - like the blood Of goat or calf,  
Who but Christ Je - sus had the right To en - ter in?



All that the Fa - ther planned, The Son sought to ful - fill,  
"A priest for - ev - er - more," An oath God would not break,  
To seal God's guar - an - tee Of grace that can - not fail;  
His blood, that sprin - kled price, So we might be as - sured



When first He said, "Lord, here am I To do Your will."  
"A priest with - in the or - der of Mel - chiz - e - dek."  
With blood He en - tered for our good Be - hind the veil.  
That our in - her - i - tance in light Has been se - cured.

**5** Then let us now draw near,  
Washed in that precious flood  
And enter the Most Holy Place  
By Jesus' blood.  
From hearts that are sincere,  
Let tongues our hope profess,  
And trust anew God's faithful grace  
That we confess.

**6** All praise to Christ we bring,  
Our Lord who intercedes,  
Our great High Priest enthroned above  
Who knows our needs;  
And to the Father sing  
Our songs of thankful praise,  
Who with the Spirit reigns in love  
For endless days.

## INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

*Sit*

## RECEPTION OF MEMBERS BY TRANSFER OR PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Harding Family, Gray Family, Seifert Family, Charles Jones

**P** Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

**P** Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

**R** *Yes, I do.*

**A** Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

**R** *Yes, I renounce them.*

**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?

**R** *Yes, I believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

**A** Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God and the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from them and confessed in the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

**R** *I do.*

**P** Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

**R** *I do, by the grace of God.*

**A** Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

**R** *I do, by the grace of God.*

**P** Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

**R** *I do, by the grace of God.*

**A** Do you desire to become a member of this congregation?

**R** *I do.*

**P** Will you support the work our gracious Lord has given this congregation with your prayers and the gifts God has given you?

**R** *I will, with the help of God.*

**P** Upon this your confession of faith, I acknowledge publicly that you are [a member/members] of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation. Receive the Lord's Supper and participate with us in all the blessings of salvation that our Lord has given to His Church, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

### *Stand*

**P** Let us pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that by Your Word and Spirit they may continue steadfast in the one true faith in the fellowship of this congregation as together we await the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*The new members return to their places.*

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 91:1-2

**P** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**C** **I will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”**

**P** Taking refuge in the mercy of the Lord, let us come before Him in prayer.

*A moment of silence to reflect on God’s Word and to examine our hearts before Him.*

**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

**C** **We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. By the things we have done and by what we have failed to do, we have not honored You as we ought, nor have we served others in love. We deserve to be cast from Your presence forever. Yet in Your great mercy, You sent Your Son to die and rise again for us. Help us to know the power of His resurrection and to share in the joy that His forgiveness brings. Enable us to receive Your mercy and be renewed by Your Spirit that we may honor You as the Lord and God in whom we place our trust. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hears our prayers and answers them for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ. By faith, we stand at His cross and empty tomb. We find our refuge and sing for joy in the shadow of His wings. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

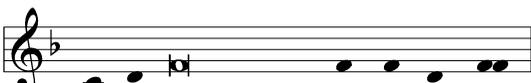
**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## † SERVICE OF THE WORD †

### KYRIE

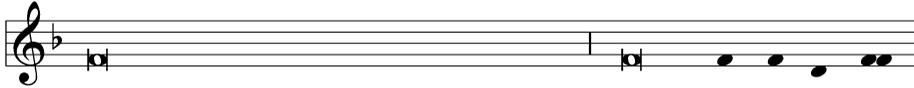
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**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



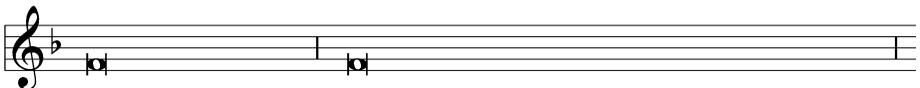
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



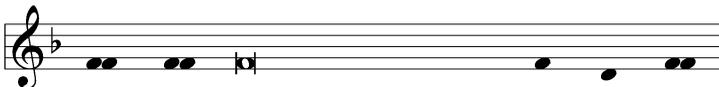
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

HYMN

"Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

LSB 822



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! To God the Fa -  
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Lamb  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Ho -  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to our tri -



ther let us bring Our songs of ad - o - ra - tion.  
of God we sing, In whom we are e - lect - ed.  
ly Ghost we sing For our re - gen - er - a - tion.  
une God we sing; Blest be His name for - ev - er!



To Him through ev - er - last - ing days Be wor - ship, hon -  
He bought His Church with His own blood, He cleansed her in  
The sav - ing faith in us He wrought And us un - to  
With an - gel hosts let us a - dore And sing His prais -



or, pow'r, and praise, Whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.  
that bless - ed flood, And as His bride se - lect - ed.  
the Bride-groom brought, Made us His cho - sen na - tion.  
es ev - er - more For all His grace and fa - vor!



Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, Is our u - nion And com - mu - nion.  
Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, Bliss su - per - nal;  
Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;



Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.  
His be - friend - ing Gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.  
There is man - na And an end - less, glad ho - san - na.  
Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

## SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

**FIRST READING, Elder or Lector**

*Acts 5:12–20*

The Word is read...

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

*Psalm 148*

**A** Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights!

**C** **Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts!**

**A** Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars!

**C** **Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!  
Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His  
majesty is above earth and heaven.**

**A** Let them praise the name of the LORD! For He commanded and they were created.

**C** **And He established them forever and ever; He gave a decree, and it shall not  
pass away.**

**A** Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,

**C** **fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling His word!**

**A** Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

**C** **Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!  
Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His  
majesty is above earth and heaven.**

- A** Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!  
**G** **Young men and maidens together, old men and children!**  
**Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven.**

- A** He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints,  
**G** **for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the LORD!**  
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**EPISTLE**, *Elder or Lector*

*Revelation 1:4–18*

The Word is read...

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**G** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**VERSE**

*Romans 6:9; John 20:29b*

- P** Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;  
**G** **death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.**
- P** Blessed are those who have not seen  
**G** **and yet have believed. Alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*John 20:19–31*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.  
**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Gospel is read...

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Sit*



1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when  
 2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most  
 3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His  
 4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, Tell - ing how  
 5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the



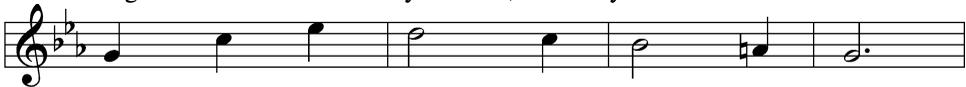
stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in  
 High, is not dwell - ing; High a - bove earth His  
 own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal  
 God has re - ceived us. The al - tar re - calls Christ's  
 church bells are ring - ing, Man - y in sav - ing



ev - 'ry land; Bells still are chim - ing and call -  
 tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -  
 grace us owns Heirs of His won - drous sal - va -  
 sac - ri - fice And what His Sup - per here gives  
 faith may come Where Christ His mes - sages is bring -



ing, Call - ing the young and old to rest,  
 ling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n a - bove  
 tion. Were we but two His name to tell,  
 us. Here sound the Scrip - tures that pro - claim  
 ing: "I know My own; My own know Me.



But a - bove all the souls dis - tressed,  
 Choos - es to live with us in love,  
 Yet He would deign with us to dwell  
 Christ yes - ter - day, to - day, the same,  
 You, not the world, My face shall see.



Long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.  
 Mak - ing our bod - ies His tem - ple.  
 With all His grace and His fa - vor.  
 And ev - er - more, our Re - deem - er.  
 My peace I leave with you. A - men."

## SERMON

*Stand*

**APOSTLES' CREED**, *If no new members are received*

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

, *Elders*

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- A** Gracious God, You are exalted over all things in heaven and on earth. In Your mercy, You shower us with blessings of both body and soul as You care for Your creation. Enable us to see Your hands at work in our midst that, together with all those who share in the power of Your Son's resurrection, we always say of You:
- G** **You alone are Lord and God!**
- P** Giver of life, You renew our souls through the power of Your Holy Spirit as we dwell in the shadow of Your wings. As we continue to celebrate the joy of our Savior's Easter victory, grant that Your Church on earth always speaks Your Word with boldness and confidence, that like the first eyewitnesses of Christ's resurrection, we share with all people:

**C You alone are Lord and God!**

**A** You govern all nations with Your mighty and merciful hand, O Lord. Show forth Your favor to the land in which we live, raising up men and women who will serve as godly leaders among us; blessing those who make, administer, and judge our laws; protecting all those who serve in harm's way for the benefit of others; and helping us always to know and believe:

**C You alone are Lord and God!**

**P** In Your Son's earthly ministry, people brought to Him all those who were sick and suffering that He might touch and heal them. This ministry of healing continued through His disciples in the earliest church. Even now, we know that Jesus heals, renews, and restores through the Means of Grace He has provided for our benefit. Place Your healing hand upon those for in need, [especially . . .]. In the shadow of Your healing presence, we boldly confess:

**C You alone are Lord and God!**

**A** Prepare the hearts of all those who will receive You at Your Table this day, O Lord. Help us to cast aside all bitterness and pride, laying our burdens down at the foot of Christ's cross. Because He lives in triumph over death and the grave, we experience His life-giving presence as we are gathered in His name to remember His sacrifice. Grant that all who share in His body and blood look upon Him, trust in Him, and always say of Him:

**C You alone are Lord and God!**

**P** We bring all these prayers before You, gracious Father, in the name of Him who is risen from the dead and reigns with You forever as our Lord and God: Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**C Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses**

**as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## PAX DOMINI

LSB 180

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## OFFERING

### VOLUNTARY

" Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

Paul Manz

### MISSION MINUTE

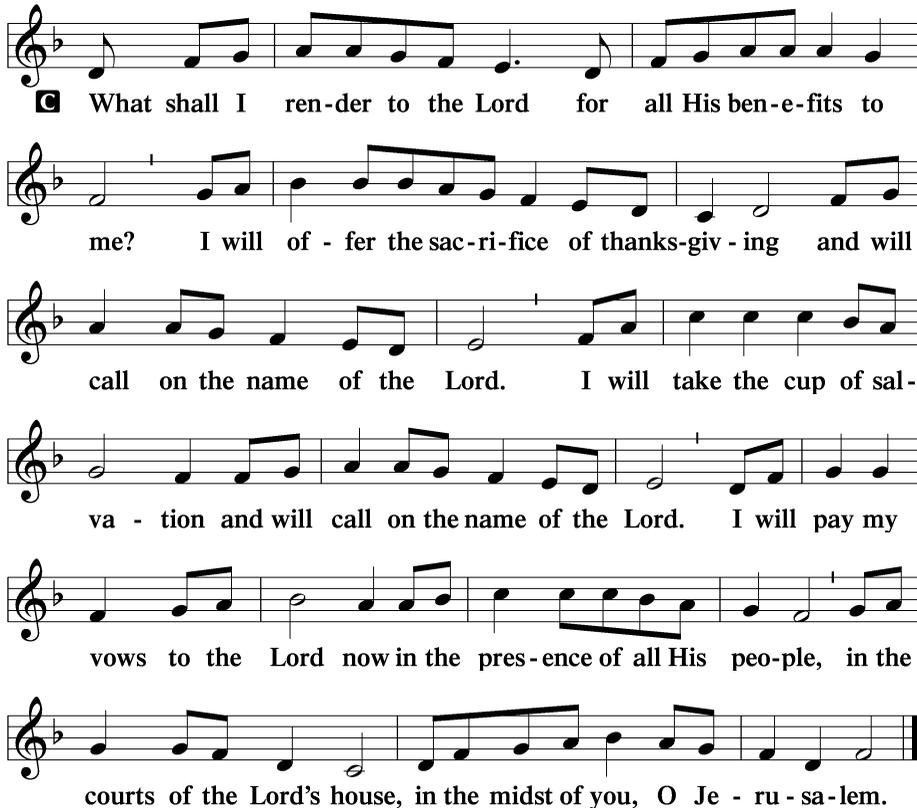
Board Nominations

John Kinney

*Stand*

## OFFERTORY

LSB 159



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## BENEDICTION AND EASTER ACCLAMATION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\dagger$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**HYMN**

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

**LSB 549**



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;  
 2 Crown Him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;  
 3 Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,  
 4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da - vid's line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.  
 Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.  
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
 The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.



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**5** Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
 The wormwood and the gall,  
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
 And crown Him Lord of all.  
 Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
 And crown Him Lord of all.

And crown Him Lord of all.  
 To Him all majesty ascribe  
 And crown Him Lord of all.

**6** Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,  
 On this terrestrial ball  
 To Him all majesty ascribe

**7** Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
 We at His feet may fall!  
 We'll join the everlasting song  
 And crown Him Lord of all.  
 We'll join the everlasting song  
 And crown Him Lord of all.

Sit

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

- A** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
- G** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Tim Fields

## PARTICIPATING IN THIS SERVICE

*Pastor: Richard Willsea*

*Deaconess: Karen Suter*

*Organist: Jim Pierce*

*Clarinet: Charles Messersmith*

*Head Elders: Sammy Peek (8:00), John Kinney (9:30), Kyle Sinisi (11:00)*

*Lay Reader, 11:00 Service: Jonathon Moore*

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