



Luther Memorial Church

Holy Communion

6 EASTER

SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023 | 10:30 AM

Welcome!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is available in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

HYMNAL

The red hymnal in the pew in front of you contains much of the music used in this service. Page numbers are in the front part of the hymnal on the bottom of the page, while hymns are found towards the rear of the hymnal.

RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. A staffed nursery is available Sundays 9:15-11:45 am.

LEARN MORE

If you would like a pastor to call, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at www.luthermem.org or Facebook

PRELUDE *Music for bell choir, arr. Martha L. Thompson*

Sunday School Holy God, We Praise Thy Name
Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Youth Spirit of the Living God
O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.

#833 PROCESSIONAL HYMN Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

Stanzas 1 & 2: all; stanza 3: high voices; stanza 4: low voices; stanza 5: all

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE from *Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo* | Joseph Haydn

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison

GLORIA from *Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo* | Joseph Haydn

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

Laudamus te.

Benedicimus te.

Adoramus te.

Glorificamus te.

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,

Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,

Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Qui tollis peccata mundi,

suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,

miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus.

Tu solus Dominus.

Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe.

Cum Sancto Spiritu

in gloria Dei Patris.

Amen.

Glory to God in the highest

and peace on earth to all people of good will

we praise you

we bless you

we adore you

we glorify you

we thank you, for your great glory

Lord God, king of the heavens

God almighty Father

Lord, begotten son, Jesus Christ

Lord God, lamb of God, son of the father

take all sins from the world, have mercy on us

take all sins from the world,

receive our invocation.

You who are seated at the right of the father,

have mercy on us

because only You are Holy,

only You are Lord,

only You are Highest

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father,

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, hear the prayers of your people. Send your Spirit that, with all your children, we might love your Son and keep his commandments. Bind us and the whole creation to yourself, that we and all things might live in holy love through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it,

he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 66:8-20

The choir sings the antiphon, “Bless our God, you peoples,” before and after the psalm. The choir and congregation alternate in the singing of the psalm verses, beginning with the choir.



Bless our | God, you peoples;*

let the sound of | praise be heard.

Our God has kept us a- | mong the living*

and has not allowed our | feet to slip.

For you, O God, have | tested us;*

you have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried.

You brought us in- | to the net;*

you laid heavy burdens up- | on our backs.

You let people ride over our heads; we went through | fire and water,*

but you brought us out into a place | of refreshment.

I will enter your house | with burnt offerings*

and will pay | you my vows—

those that I promised | with my lips*

and spoke with my mouth when I | was in trouble.

I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the | smoke of rams;*

I will give you ox- | en and goats.

Come and listen, all you | who believe,*

and I will tell you what God has | done for me.

I called out to God | with my mouth,*

and praised the Lord | with my tongue.

If I had cherished evil | in my heart,*

the Lord would | not have heard me;

but in truth | God has heard me*

and has attended to the sound | of my prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not reject- | ed my prayer,*

nor withheld unfailing | love from me.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3:13-22

Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Choir: Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

GOSPEL John 14:15-21

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON

Please stand.

#804 HYMN OF THE DAY Come Down, O Love Divine

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.
Please greet your neighbor: Peace be with you.

MEAL

Please sit.
OFFERING

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING Bist du bei mir (BWV 508) | Johann Sebastian Bach

Bist du bei mir,

geh ich mit Freuden zum Sterben und zu meiner Ruh.

Ach, wie vergnügt wär so mein Ende,

es drückten deine schönen Hände

mir die getreuen Augen zu.

If you are with me,

then I will go gladly unto [my] death and to my rest.

Ah, how pleasing were my end,

if your dear hands then

shut my faithful eyes!

Please stand.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

SANCTUS from *Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo* | Joseph Haydn

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus

Dominus Deus Sabaoth

Pleni sunt coeli et terra

Gloria tua

Hosanna in excelsis

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

We give you thanks, Father... both now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav- en, hal- low- ed be



thy name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done,



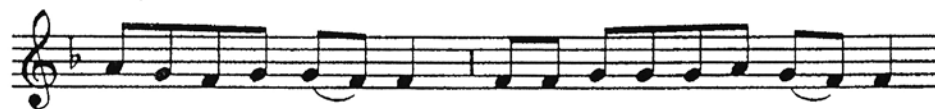
on earth as it is in heav- en. Give us this day our



dai- ly bread; and for- give us our tres- pass- es,



as we for- give those who tres- pass a- gainst us; and lead us



not in- to temp- ta- tion, but de- liv- er us from e- vil.



For thine is the king- dom, and the pow- er, and the



glo- ry, for- ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

Please sit.

AGNUS DEI *from Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo* | Joseph Haydn

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Dona nobis pacem.*

THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice.*

**Gluten-free bread is available on request.*

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION Invocation | Jeffrey Honoré

#594 COMMUNION HYMN Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.

#449 RECESSIONAL HYMN We Know That Christ Is Raised

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Carillon *from Sept Pièces* | Marcel Dupré

TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Our sin lies in nothing else but in loving what you hate and hating what you love. I confess, eternal God, that I have constantly loved what you hate and hated what you love. But today I cry out in the presence of your mercy: grant that I may follow your truth with a simple heart; give me the deep well and fire of charity; give me a continual hunger to endure pains and torment for you. Eternal Father, give my eyes a fountain of tears with which to draw your mercy down over all the world, and especially over your bride. Amen.

Catherine of Sienna
(1347 – 1380)

SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
PREACHER	Pastor Brad Pohlman
ORGANIST & ADULT CHOIR DIRECTOR	Andrew Schaeffer
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CRUCIFER	George Alexander
LECTOR	Susan Berggren
SACRISTAN	Mary Powell
AUDIO	David Heins
VIDEO	Lee Powell
HEAD USHER	Carl Anderson
USHERS	Kendall Oelkers, Paul Schmidt, Phyllis Pleuss

Our thanks to the handbell choir, children's choir and children's bell choirs for leading us in worship.

Today we remember the inurnment of Jessie Nelson in the LM columbarium. The congregation is invited to visit the columbarium and read her page in the memory books.

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