Welcome!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

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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.

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Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. A staffed nursery is available Sundays 9-noon.

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Luther Memorial Church

Holy Communion 2 EASTER

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025 | 10:30 AM



Holy Communion

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PRELUDE Saraband *for the morning of Easter* | Herbert Howells

GATHERING

Please turn and face the baptismal font at the rear of the nave.

P. 227 SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

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

#363 PROCESSIONAL HYMN Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

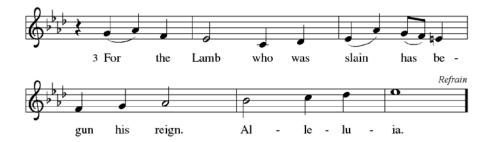
APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.

GLORIA





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING Acts 5:27–32

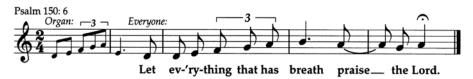
When they had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 150 (*Setting by Peter R. Hallock*)

Antiphon:



Choir: Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple;

praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him for his might acts;

praise him for his excellent greatness.

Antiphon sung by all.

Choir: Praise him with the blast of the ram's horn;

praise him with the lyre and harp.
Praise him with the timbrell and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe.

Antiphon sung by all.

Choir: Praise him with resounding cymbals; praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

Hallelujah!

Antiphon sung by all.

SECOND READING Revelation 1:4–8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please rise.

GOSPEL PROCESSION



Choir: Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.

GOSPEL John 20:19-31

Glory to you, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the

doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON

Please rise.

#386 HYMN OF THE DAY O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

Stanzas 1–3: all stanza 4: low voices stanza 5: high voices stanza 6: choir stanzas 7 & 8: all

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 Lord of the Dance | arr. John Ferguson

I danced in the morning
When the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon
And the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven
And I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem
I had my birth.

Dance, then, wherever you may be, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he. I danced for the scribe
And the pharisee,
But they would not dance
And they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen,
For James and John –
They came with me
And the Dance went on.

Dance, then...

I danced on the Sabbath
And I cured the lame;
The holy people
Said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
And they hung me on high,
And they left me there
On a Cross to die.

Dance, then...

I danced on a Friday
When the sky turned black –
It's hard to dance
With the devil on your back.
They buried my body
And they thought I'd gone,
But I am the Dance,
And I still go on.

Dance, then...

They cut me down
And I leapt up high;
I am the life
That'll never, never die;
I'll live in you
If you'll live in me –
I am the Lord
Of the Dance, said he.

Dance, then...

Please rise.

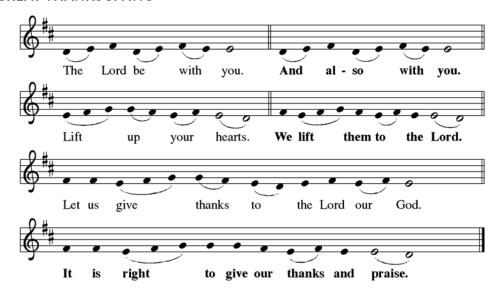
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

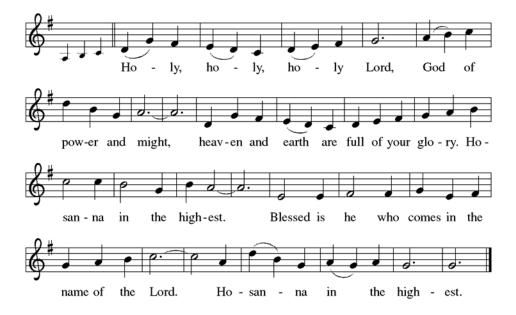
God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.



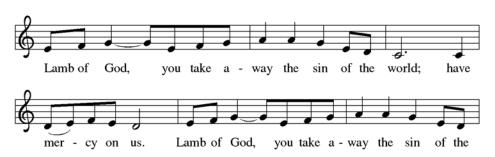
Remembering, therefore... now and forever.

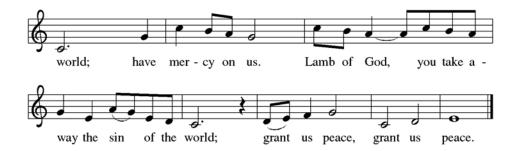


LORD'S PRAYER



Please sit. **LAMB OF GOD**





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 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing | Richard Hillert

COMMUNION HYMNS

- #635 We Walk By Faith
- **#379** Now the Green Blade Rises
- **#361** The Day of Resurrection!

Please rise.

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.

#376 RECESSIONAL HYMN Thine Is the Glory

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE Carillon de Westminster from 24 Pièces de fantaisie op. 51 | Louis Vierne

TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

For Christ's resurrection is life for the dead, pardon for sinners, glory for the saints. And so the holy prophet invites every creature to the celebration of Christ's resurrection: we should rejoice, he says, and be glad on this day which the Lord has made...

Christ is the Son-day, to whom the Father-day hs whispered the secret of his divinity. He is the day who says thourgh the mouth of Solomon: "I have made an undying light rise in the heavens."

And so... we ought all to rejoice on this holy day. No one should separate himself from the general rejoicing because he has sins on his conscience; no one should refuse to take part in the public worship because of the burden of his misdeeds. However great a sinner he may be, on this day he should not despair of pardon, for the privileges granted by this day are great. If a thief was thought worthy of paradise, why should not a Christian be thought worthy of forgiveness?

Maximus of Turin (5th Century)

SERVING TODAY

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USHERS Casey Oelkers, Dylan Oelkers, Kendall Oelkers

Baptized today is Theodore Kranig, child of Calvin & Georgeann Kranig.

We welcome Pastor Preston Fields as our preacher today. Pr. Fields is campus pastor at Lutheran Campus Ministry.

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