

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

The makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.

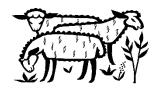
\*Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

I fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.



# Sunday, May 12, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Easter Holy Communion

# May 12, 2019 • 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Service

#### INTRODUCTION

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those "who have come out of the great ordeal" in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**PRELUDE** 

Can You Count the Stars? A Mother's Day Tribute
(Lyrics on back cover of bulletin) Powell
Jan Gazdic, soloist

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The assembly stands.

#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

#### Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We give you thanks, O God, O Living One, for you have created all, and you water the earth abundantly. Oceans and aquifers praise you. Rivers and streams bless you.

All life is sustained by you, our Source.
We praise you for Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who frees us from sin and raises us up to new life.
Here at this font we touch the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing through the city of God.
Here, death is washed away forever.
Here, we are grafted into the tree of life, with leaves for the healing of the world.
Pour out your Holy Spirit on this assembly, into this community, and throughout all creation.
Cleanse us from our fears and drown our divisions.
Grant that all may drink of your mercy and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

**GATHERING SONG** 

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

**ELW 385** 

#### **GREETING**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

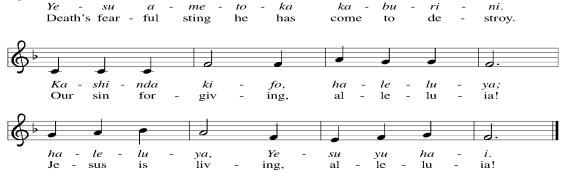
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.



#### (SING VERSES 1 & 3) **CANTICLE OF PRAISE** M fu rahileni, haluya, Christ has ris en, al le lu ia. a grave 2 For three long the did days its worst them, "Do The an - gel said to not fear. kommboziame fu fu ka. Re - joice praise and him, alle lu ia. un - til You look its strength by God was dis persed. for Je who here. sus is not $\boldsymbol{A}$ fu fu ka, lelumeha ya, For the our re deem er burst from tomb, did death He who gives life un der go, See for your selves the tomb is all bare. i. sifи nimsa sa уи hafrom dis ling gloom. e ven death, pel its and in its con quest ĥis might did show. there." grave -On - ly the clothes are ly ing Refrain Tu - mwi - mbi etekwa fu raha. so him with Let us sing praise end less joy. to *J* .



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep.

By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43

(Please turn to page 133 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

Dorcas was a faithful and devoted woman of charity in the community of Joppa. Her kindness and her work with clothing was well-known, especially to the widows in town. When she fell ill and died, Peter raised her back to life through the power of prayer.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9–17** 

(Please turn to page 271 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering, in whose blood the saints have washed their robes and made them white.

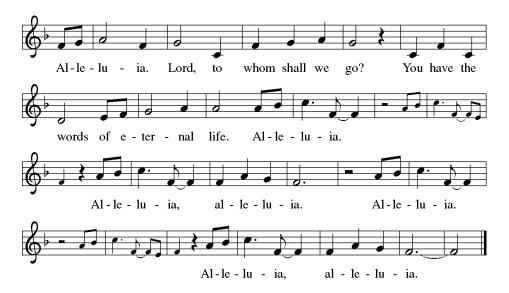
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Thanks be to God.



The assembly stands.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



GOSPEL: John 10:22-30

# (Please turn to page 108 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

Jesus responds to questions about his identity with the remarkable claim that he and the Father are one. Those who understand this are his sheep; they hear his voice, follow, and will never be snatched from his hand.

The holy gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

**SERMON** 

Pastor Steven Wigdahl

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Shepherd Me, O God ELW 780

Pastor Steve will sing the verses; the Assembly will sing the Refrain.

#### Refrain:

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

- 1 God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace. *Refrain*
- 2 Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your name. *Refrain*
- 3 Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. *Refrain*
- You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. *Refrain*
- Surely your kindness and mercy follow me
   all the days of my life;
   I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. *Refrain*

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#### THE 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.

Or "who proceeds from the Father." The phrase "and the Son" is a later addition to the creed.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing with all the witnesses of the resurrection, let us pray in confidence for the church, the world, and all who are in need. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 



We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch.

(Names from our congregation...)

Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.** 

# Congregational refrain: "Hear Our Prayer"

#### PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

# And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

#### **OFFERING**

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set.

Low in the grave He lay, Jesus, my Savior, waiting the coming day, Jesus, my Lord! Up from the grave He arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes! He arose a Victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever, with His saints to reign. He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose! Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus, my Savior; Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus, my Lord! Up from the grave He arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes! He arose a Victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever, with His saints to reign. He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose! Death cannot keep his Prey, Jesus, my Savior; He tore the bars away, Jesus, my Lord! Up from the grave He arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes! He arose a Victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever, with His saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

(11:00)

The Lord's My Shepherd (tune: CRIMOND)

arr. Dew

The assembly stands.

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth.

Day by day you shower us with blessings.

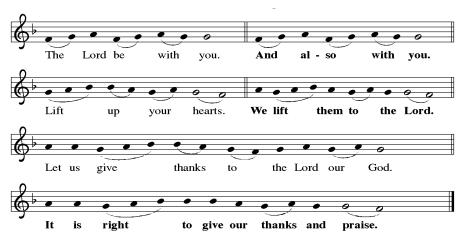
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,

give us glad and generous hearts,

ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

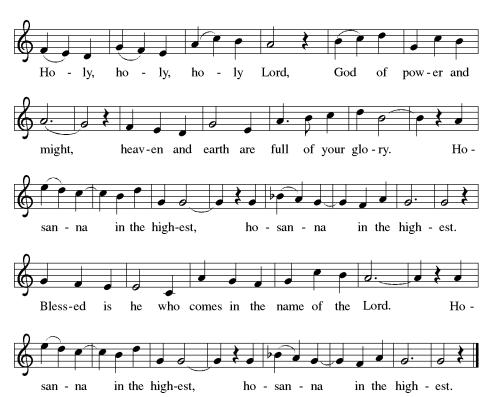
## **DIALOGUE**



#### **PREFACE**

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, for the glorious resurrection of 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:

#### HOLY



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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.

hallowed be thy name,

#### Invitation to Communion

The table of life is spread before you. Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

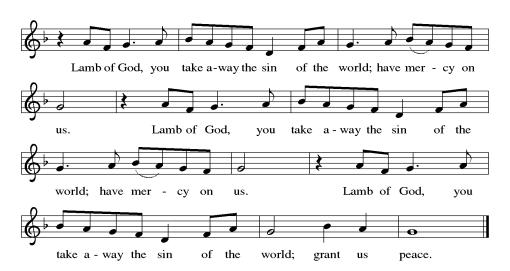
Jesus Christ is the host of this Holy Communion, in which we celebrate the Real Presence of our Lord. All are welcome! The Communion is administered by "intinction," that is, the bread is handed to the communicant and the communicant dips the bread into the wine. If you are not able to take the wine, simply take the bread. Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you desire Communion, but are not able to come forward. please let an usher know. We'll bring it to you. If you do not wish to partake of the Sacrament, simply remain seated when your row is directed to come forward. Glutenfree wafers are available; simply ask the server.

#### COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond Amen.



#### **COMMUNION SONG**



# **COMMUNION HYMNS:**

Blessed Assurance My Shepherd, You Supply My Need Now the Green Blade Rises ELW 638 ELW 782 ELW 379

The assembly stands.

### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### BLESSING

The blessing of the Lord God Almighty, the blessing of + Christ, the Lamb who was slain, and the blessing of the Holy Spirit of truth be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

**SENDING SONG** 

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

**ELW 789** 

DISMISSAL

Alleluia. Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE

Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain (with Handel's Water Music)

arr. Lau

#### ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC



The Emmanuel Choir will be singing the beloved gospel hymn, *Christ Arose*, for today's 9:00 a.m. service. This song was written by Robert Lowry (1826-1899). Lowry was an American preacher who wrote several well-known hymns, including *Shall We Gather at the River* and *Nothing But the Blood of Jesus*.

Soloist Jan Gazdic will sing a beautiful song for the 9:00 and 11:00 Prelude: Can You Count the Stars gives thanks to God for all the wonders in Creation; it is also a lovely tribute to all Mothers as we thank them and celebrate them today on Mother's Day. Thank you, Jan, for sharing your musical gifts with us!

#### 9:00 Service

Greeters: Dave & Kerstin Beitzel
Assisting Minister: Dee Schleutker

Lector: Kaitlyn Ziegelmaier Acolyte: Ana Cabrera

Ushers: Keith & Beth McCullen, Rosy Myers, Marilyn Thomack

Altar Guild: Joyce O'Neill

AV: Alex Lyberg, Zack Faust, Colleen Ziegelmaier, Jayden Wampler (helper)

Hospitality: Kerstin Beitzel and Jan Donnell



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The flowers that beautify our altar today are given by the Reicherts in honor of their children's birthdays.



# CAN YOU COUNT THE STARS? A Mother's Day Tribute

Can you count the stars that brightly twinkle in the midnight sky? Can You count the clouds, so lightly o'er the meadows floating by? God, the Lord, does mark their number, with His eyes that never slumber:

He has made them every one, He has made them every one.

Can you count the wings now flashing in the sunshine's golden light? Can you count the fishes splashing in the cooling waters bright? God, the Lord, a name has given, to all creatures under Heaven; He has named them every one, He has named them every one.

Can you count the loving measure of a mother's heart, and mild, nurturing the wondrous treasure found in each and every child. Like a mother, God enfolds us, gently, in his arms, will hold us, And will comfort every one, and will comfort every one.

Do you know how many children rise each morning on their way? Can you count their happy voices singing sweetly on this day? God hears all the happy voices, in their merry songs rejoices; And He loves them, every one, and He loves them, every one.



Blessed Mother's Day