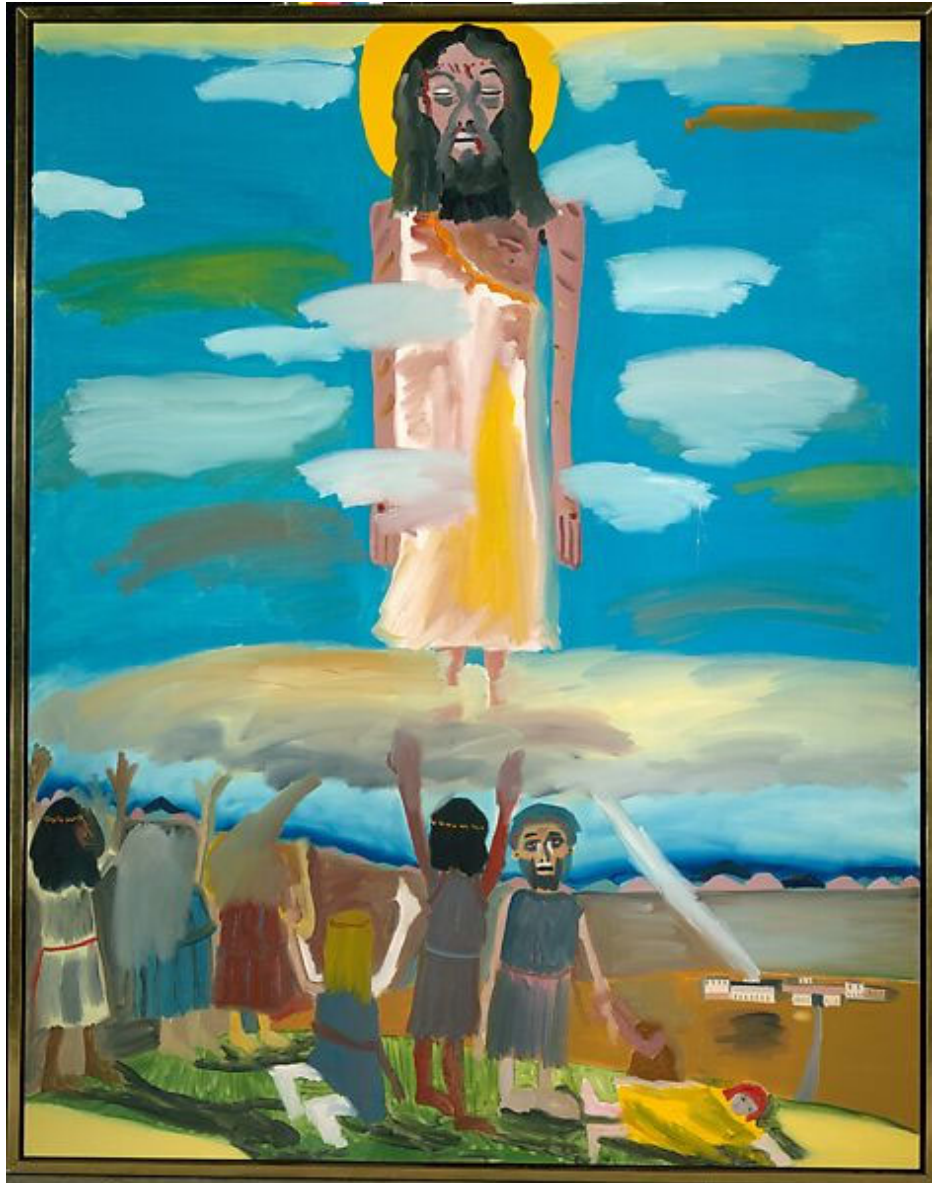


*Welcome to*  
Luther Memorial Church



14 MAY 2026  
**THE ASCENSION**  
*ERIE LUTHERAN CONFERENCE WORSHIP*

## WELCOME!

*This is the day that the Lord has made. Together, let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

~ Here are a few notes to help you participate in worship today: Everything you need is in this bulletin, including hymns. You are invited to participate with the words in **bold type**. You are invited to stand as you are able where indicated.

† In celebration of the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed, and in deference to *The Lutheran-Orthodox Joint Statement on the Filioque*, we will not be including "...and the Son" at the appropriate point of the recitation of the Creed.

~ **You don't need to disconnect here!** You don't need to turn off your phone, but please place it in silent mode. Feel free to take pictures—of our building, of worship, but ask permission for any people-pictures. We ask that you not use flash during this worship service. Post your favorite quote from the sermon or verse from a hymn...just be sure to check in and let your friends know where you are!

~ We welcome all of God's children **no matter your age**. Wiggles, dancing, and singing welcome! Together we raise a joyful noise. If you would like a children's bulletin, a soft toy, or a book, they're near the ramp door (out the doors next to the pulpit on the long Welcome Table).

~ **Restrooms** may be found out either door at the front of the Sanctuary. There is an accessible ramp through the doors near the pulpit. At the top of the ramp(s), follow signs to the restrooms. A fully accessible restroom is available through the parlor.

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## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**PRELUDE** – "Prelude in D"

J. S. Bach

## **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Erie Lutheran Conference is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Haudenosaunee, Mississauga, and Erie people. These lands were ceded by the people of the Six Nations on October 22, 1784 in a treaty ratified by the United States Government in 1785 and never ratified by the people of the Six Nations. We gather in this place indebted to these peoples for their forced generosity. While some peoples were successful in resisting assimilation and genocide, and still live on dwindled homelands now, many were absorbed into other peoples, exiled, or annihilated by the United States government for their land. For those who remain and for the land on which we gather, we give thanks to the Creator and to those who have been custodians of this part of Turtle Island since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

*The congregation may rise in body or spirit and face the ministers at the Crossing.*

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

ONE: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

ALL: **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we give thanks for the Great Exchange, the mercy and forgiveness that wrap our true selves in sacred belonging and purpose.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

For a word at the dawn of creation, which spoke water and life into being.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

For the great flood that revealed nature's power and God's commitment to life after death.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

For the river that carried Moses safely, building a bridge between mothers and nations.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

For the rock split open in the desert, spilling water for those thirsting for freedom.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

For the One who turned water into wine and met a woman at the well with living water.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

For Living Water poured out on all people, washing the eunuch and Philip and us alike.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

For the gift of holy baptism, which declares there are no more godforsaken places, and nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus. For Christ is risen!

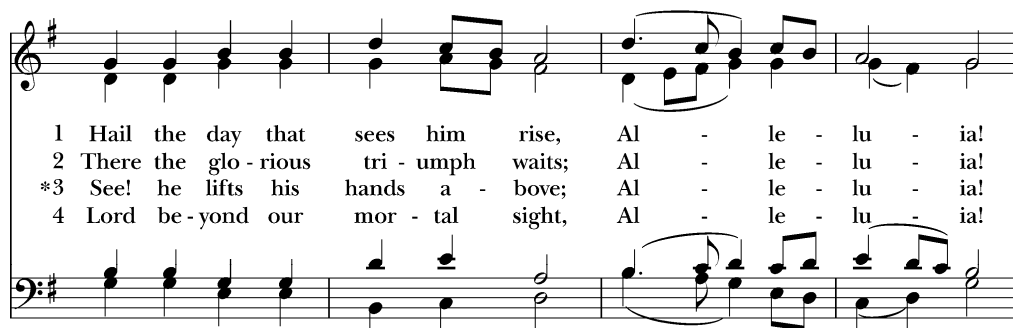
**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

Let us pray: God of life, we rejoice with the waters that cover creation; our songs of praise echo their dancing tides and streams. Pour out your Holy Spirit on this community and all of creation. Cleanse our fears. Drown our divisions. Give us mercy and grace to drink so that our whole lives are signs of death defeated and thirst quenched thanks to the risen Jesus, the Beloved of God.

**Amen.**

*During the singing of the Gathering Hymn, the congregation is sprinkled with water as a reminder of baptism. It is customary to make the sign of the cross remembering that in baptism each is "sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever."*

## GATHERING HYMN



1 Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 There the glo - rious tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!  
\*3 See! he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Lord be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - le - lu - ia!

glo - rious to his na - tive skies; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 See! he shows the prints of love: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Wide un - fold the ra - diant scene; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - le - lu - ia!

en - ters now the high - est heaven! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 find our heaven of heavens in thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

**GREETING**

Alleluia! God has gone up with a shout!  
**The Lord with the sound of the trumpet! Alleluia!**

The grace of the risen and ascended Christ, the love of our God enthroned on high,  
 and the fellowship of the gifted Holy Spirit, be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;  
 ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.  
 Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;  
 yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things. Mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

**BLESSING OF THE LECTORS**

Let us pray. Bless, O Lord, your servants Karen and Karen as they read to us the holy Word. May our hearts burn within us as you open to us the scriptures, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

**WORD**

*God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song.*

**FIRST READING: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14**

<sup>9</sup>As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One sat on the throne, whose clothing was white as snow, and the hair of whose head like pure wool; whose throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. <sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued and flowed out from the presence of the Ancient One, whom a thousand thousands served, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood in attendance. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. <sup>13</sup>As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One before whom he was presented. <sup>14</sup>To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his reign is one that shall never be destroyed.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 47**

1. See, the Con-qu'ror mounts in tri-umph; see the King in roy - al state.  
 2. Who is this that comes in glo - ry, with the trump of ju - bi - lee?  
 3. You have raised our hu - man na - ture in the clouds to God's right hand;

rid - ing on the clouds, his char - iot, to his heav'n - ly pal - ace gate:  
 Lord of bat - tles, God of ar - mies, he has gained the vic - to - ry;  
 there we sit in heav'n - ly plac - es, there with you in glo - ry stand:

Hark! the choirs of an - gel voic - es joy - ful al - le - lu - ias sing,  
 he who on the cross did suf - fer, he who from the grave a - rose,  
 Je - sus reigns, a - dored by an - gels, man with God is on the throne;

and the por - tals high are lift - ed to re - ceive their heav'n - ly King.  
 he has van - quished sin and Sa - tan, he by death has spoiled his foes.  
 might - y Lord, in your as - cen - sion we by faith be - hold our own.

**SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23**

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup>that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know God, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which God has called you, what are the riches of God's glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of God's power for us who believe, according to the working of God's great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when God raised him from the dead and seated him at the right hand of Power in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and might and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And God has put all things under the feet of Christ and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is the body of Christ, the fullness of the one who fills all in all.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may rise in body or spirit to greet the Gospel. It is customary to turn to face the Gospel as the Word comes into our midst.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**ELW 393**

1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall  
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives  
 3 To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why stand and gaze up - on the

ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -  
 stand, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! and with his faith - ful fol - l'wers  
 sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior!" thus they



trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.  
 see their Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 say, "this is his glo - rious tri - umph day!"



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

**GOSPEL: Luke 24:44-53**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>44</sup>Jesus said to the eleven and those with 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 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. <sup>49</sup>And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised, so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." <sup>50</sup>Then Jesus led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them.

<sup>51</sup>While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, <sup>53</sup>and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**GOSPEL RESPONSE**



4 "You see him now, as - cend - ing high up to the por - tals of the  
 5 O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -



sky." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall  
 cord: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! You are, while end - less ag - es



see re - turn - ing in great maj - es - ty." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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*The congregation may be seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

**SERMON**

*Bishop Papson*

*After a brief silence for reflection, as the music sounds, the congregation rises in body or spirit to proclaim the Word of God in song.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

*To the Ends of the Earth*

1. Serve as peo - ple with hope to bring:  
 2. Show com - pas - sion far and wide:  
 3. Sow the seeds of com - mu - ni - ty:  
 4. Fos - ter peace where all hearts be - long:

to the ends of the earth! Love as peo - ple with  
 to the ends of the earth! Live as mer - cy per -  
 to the ends of the earth! Blaze the truth that  
 to the ends of the earth! Praise that ech - oes the

hearts that sing: to the ends of the earth! Raise the  
 son - i - fied: to the ends of the earth! Shine in  
 sets us free: to the ends of the earth! Walk the  
 an - gels' throng: to the ends of the earth! Let us

gos - pel of truth and mer - cy by pro -  
 dark - ness the ra - diant splen - dor, Wis - dom  
 path - ways of faith and jus - tice by em -  
 con - quer all fear with kind - ness and in

claim - ing a dawn of peace. May our  
 bear - ing the lamp of grace. May our  
 brac - ing the call to ser - vce. May our  
 har - mo - ny live as one. May

joy and zeal soar on out - stretched wing: to the  
 hearts be stirred by the cross as guide: to the  
 lives re - flect bound - less char - i - ty: to the  
 "Al - le - lu - ia!" be our song: to the

ends, to the ends of the earth!  
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**NICENE CREED**

Siblings in Christ, let us confess the faith of the Church:

**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†,**

**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.**

#### **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

With all who look to the coming of Christ, we raise our voices in praise of God's work.

For the Church; for all who raise their voices to tell the good news of life everlasting, we raise our voices in glad strains of:

**Alleluia! Amen!**

For creation; for the lengthening of days and the beauty of spring that remind us that God's life is abundant and eternal, we raise our voices in glad strains of:

**Alleluia! Amen!**

For the nations; for those who work for international peace and harmony, for those who serve the common good, we raise our voices in glad strains of:

**Alleluia! Amen!**

For your healing and wholeness for the sick and suffering; for God's gifts of science and medicine, and for those who share these gifts with others, we raise our voices in glad strains of:

**Alleluia! Amen!**

For all who have claimed baptismal promises: for Mary and Peter, and Matthias whose feast we celebrate today; for our beloved dead; and for the promise of new life—the promise of baptism—which holds us until we join with them around the Feast of the Lamb, we raise our voices in glad strains of:

**Alleluia! Amen!**

Into your wounded hands of love, O God, we place all our prayers trusting in the mercy and grace of the crucified-risen one, Jesus.

**Alleluia! Amen!**

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

*The congregation shares greetings and gestures of peace. Please be mindful of others' comfort with touch. After, the congregation may be seated.*

## MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

## THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED



*An offering is received for the mission and ministry of the Church. Tonight's offering goes to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL). Your offering will be recorded for your congregation and processed through Luther Memorial. You may make all checks payable to Luther Memorial Church. Additionally, if you'd rather give electronically, you may do so by scanning the QR Code or following: [bit.ly/LMCDonate](https://bit.ly/LMCDonate) and scrolling to the bottom of the page.*

## ANTHEM

*The congregation rises in body or spirit as the offering is brought forward.*

## OFFERING HYMN

ACS 933

### Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded



1 Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed, tell the news, the gos - pel  
spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ  
ris - en from the dead! Sing of the sun from dark - ness ap -  
pear - ing; sing of the seed from bar - ren earth green - ing;  
sing of cre - a - tion, al - le - lu - ia! Sing of the  
stream from Je - sus' side flow - ing; sing of the saints in  
wa - ter made ho - ly; sing of sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING SURSUM CORDA

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.

## THE PROPER PREFACE

*It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...join their unending hymn:*

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

As the shadows lengthen, we bless you, sheltering God.

We glorify you for the endless, starlit sky, deep with the mystery of your creative labor through all time and space. We praise you for the fertile earth and for the life its darkness holds and births: plants of every variety, animals curled in sleep, humankind you shaped by your own hand.

**Stay with us, for it is evening.**

Through the night you led your people into freedom. At day's end you rained down manna in the wilderness. At sundown your Son brought healing to people in need. In the midday night when Jesus died on the cross, life came forth for all.

**Stay with us, for it is evening.**

*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 hearts burn within us as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Like a mother hen, hold us close through the coming night. Watch with those who labor, accompany those who long for peaceful sleep, welcome those whose waking will be only in you. Into our deepest night, come, Lord Jesus.

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come, Holy Spirit, make here the body of Christ: in the breaking of the bread, in justice for our broken world, in rest for the weary, come, Holy Spirit.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

To you, O God, painter of both night and day, guiding star and healing sun, breath of peace and wind of change, be all glory, all honor, all praise this night unto the coming dawn, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

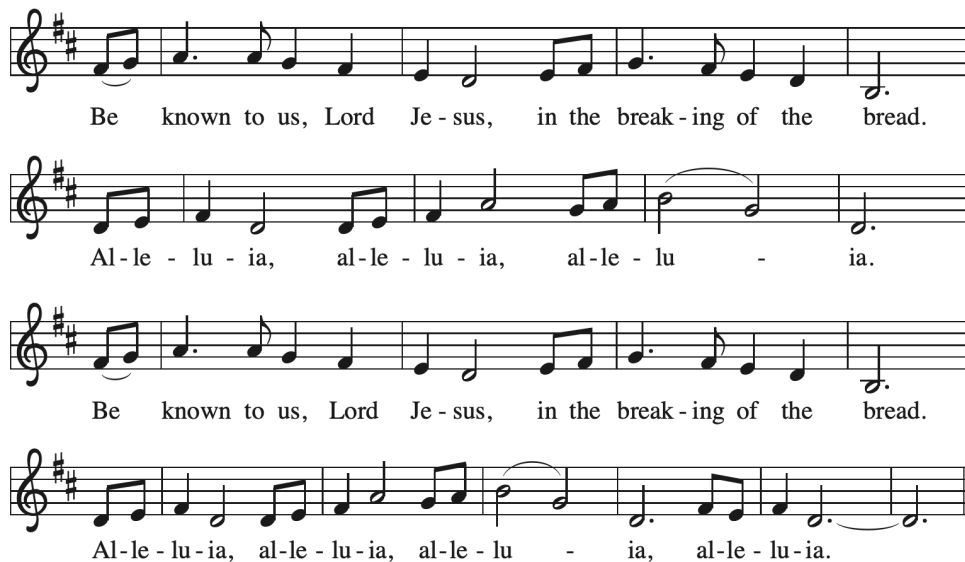
**Give us today our daily bread.**

**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.**

## FRACTION ANTHEM



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*The congregation may be seated.*

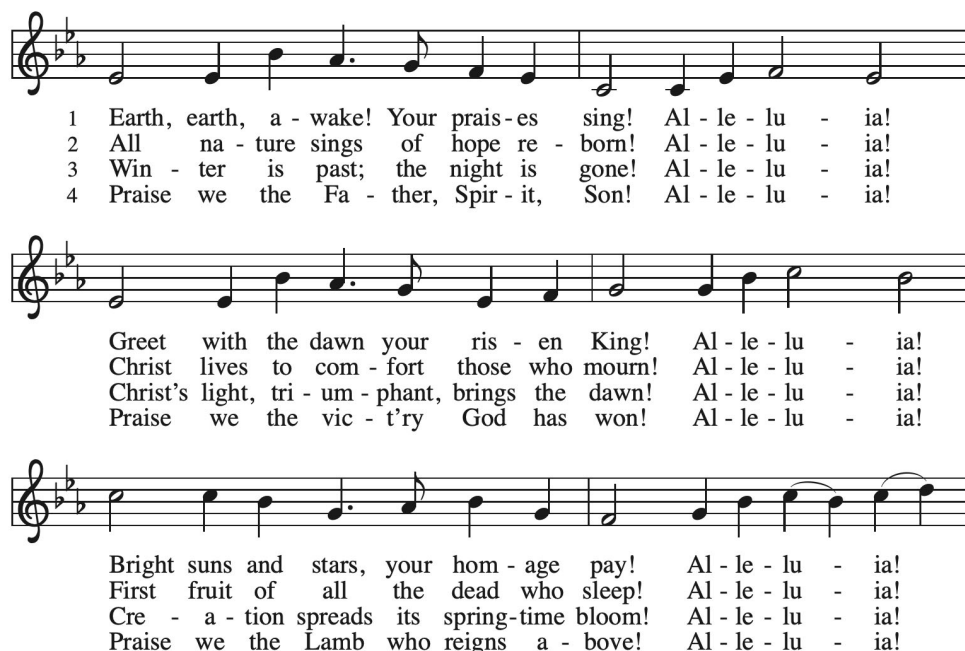
## THE COMMUNION

*This is Christ's Table and the Risen Christ is present whenever we feast together. You are welcome to the feast! Please come forward from both sides by the center aisle. Take a small empty cup from the trays at the head of the center aisle. Receive the bread in your open palm. All bread this evening is gluten-free. Proceeding to either communion assistant, hold your cup steady for the them to fill. If you need non-alcoholized grape juice, it is available in the pre-filled cups. As you return by the side aisles, please place your empty cup in the bowls. All are invited to the meal. If you would like to participate but not to receive the bread and wine, please cross your arms in front of you for a blessing. If you are unable to come to the Table, please let a neighbor know to tell the communion ministers and the Sacrament will be brought to you.*

## HYMNS DURING THE COMMUNION

ACS 937

### Earth, Earth, Awake!



1 Earth, earth, a - wake! Your prais - es sing! Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 All na - ture sings of hope re - born! Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 Win - ter is past; the night is gone! Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Praise we the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son! Al - le - lu - ia!

Greet with the dawn your ris - en King! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ lives to com - fort those who mourn! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ's light, tri - um - phant, brings the dawn! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise we the vic - t'ry God has won! Al - le - lu - ia!

Bright suns and stars, your hom - age pay! Al - le - lu - ia!  
First fruit of all the dead who sleep! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Cre - a - tion spreads its spring-time bloom! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise we the Lamb who reigns a - bove! Al - le - lu - ia!



Life reigns a - gain this Eas - ter day! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Prom - ise of joy for all who weep! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Life bursts like flame from death's cold tomb! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise we the King whose rule is love! Al - le - lu - ia!

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1 Lord, en - throned in heaven - ly splen - dor, first - be -  
\*2 Here our hum - blest hom - age pay we, here in  
\*3 Though the low - liest form doth veil thee as of  
4 Pas - chal Lamb, thine of - fering, fi - nished once for  
5 Life - im - part - ing heaven - ly Man - na, smit - ten

1 got - ten from the dead. Thou a - lone, our strong de -  
2 lov - ing rev - erence bow; here for faith's dis - cern - ment  
3 old in Beth - le - hem, here as there thine an - gels  
4 all when thou wast slain, in its full - ness un - di -  
5 Rock with stream - ing side, heaven and earth with loud ho -

Al - le -  
1 fend - er, lift - est up thy peo - ple's head.  
2 pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.  
3 hail thee, branch and flower of Jes - se's stem.  
4 min - ished shall for ev - er - more re - main.  
5 san - na wor - ship thee, the Lamb who died.

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

lu - ia!

1 Je - sus, true and liv - ing  
 2 Thou art here, we ask not  
 Al - le - lu - ia! 3 We in wor - ship join with  
 4 Cleans - ing us from ev - ery  
 5 Risen, a - scend - ed, glo - ri -

1 bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!  
 2 how. Thou art here, we ask not how.  
 3 them. We in wor - ship join with them.  
 4 stain. Cleans - ing us from ev - ery stain.  
 5 fied! Risen, a - scend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

CHOIR MOTET – “Lamb of God”

Twila Paris

TABLE BLESSING

POST COMMUNION HYMN

ACS 933

Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded

2 Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed, tell the news, the gos - pel  
 spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ  
 ris - en from the dead! Sing now of mourn - ing turned in - to  
 danc - ing; sing now the mys - t'ry, hope of our glo - ry;  
 sing with thanks - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia! Sing now of  
 fast - ing turned in - to feast - ing; sing the Lord's fa - vor



last-ing for - ev - er; sing, all things liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939  
Music: IN DIR IST FREUDE, Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, 1556-1622  
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### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,  
**Amen.**

*The congregation may rise in body or spirit for the blessing.*

### SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### BLESSING

### SENDING HYMN

ELW 392

*Verse 3 sung by the choir*

### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,  
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in  
*Choir* 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -  
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the  
sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -  
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to  
tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your  
his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -  
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of  
foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you  
vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus  
ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our  
sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the  
en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on  
Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."  
hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, alt.  
Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

## DISMISSAL

Alleluia! God has gone up with a shout!

**The Lord with the sound of the trumpet! Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE – "Fugue in D"

J. S. Bach

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to visit and continue the celebrations.  
There is a festive reception in the Parlor.  
To access the parlor,  
you may use either door at the front of the Sanctuary.  
(The door near the pulpit has accessibility.)  
Heading up the ramp and/or stairs,  
the Parlor is on the other side of the Altar Wall.

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*Pastor Loci*

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The Rev. Karen Thompson  
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### Readings and Commemorations for the Remainder of Eastertide

**May 15 – MATTHIAS, APOSTLE (TRANSFERRED)** – Isaiah 66:1-2, Psalm 56; Acts 1:15-26; Luke 6:12-16 – *Matthias was the apostle added to the Twelve after Jesus' resurrection, as a replacement for the dead Judas Iscariot. He had traveled among the followers of Jesus throughout the Lord's ministry. Formerly commemorated on February 24, Matthias's celebration is moved to May 14 in agreement with most Western calendars.*

**May 16** – Psalm 93 – II Kings 2:13-15; John 8:21-30

**May 17 – THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** – Isaiah 45:1-7; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35; I Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11; John 17:1-11

**May 18 – Erik, King of Sweden, martyr, 1160** – Psalm 99; Leviticus 9:1-11, 22-24; I Peter 4:1-6 -- *Erik is considered the patron saint of Sweden. As king of that nation, he tried to bring peace in the region, and to spread Christianity in Scandinavia. He was also known for his attempts to make fair laws and to protect those who were poor or sick.*

**May 19** – Psalm 99; Numbers 16:41-50; I Peter 4:7-11

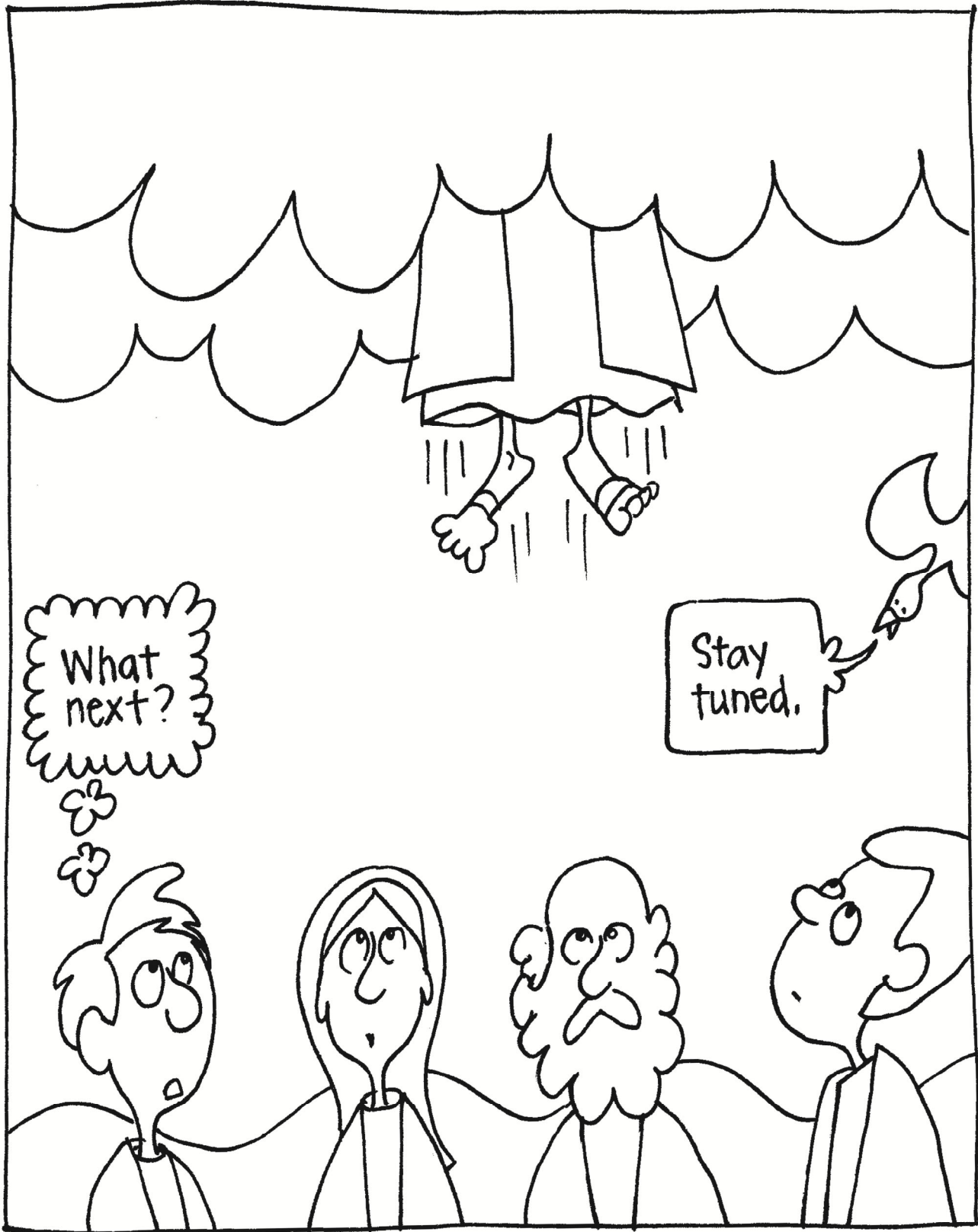
**May 20** – Psalm 99; I Kings 8:54-65; John 3:31-36

**May 21 – Helena, mother of Constantine, 330** – Psalm 33; 12-22; Exodus 19:1-9a; Acts 2:1-11 -- *Influenced by her son to become Christian, Helena (or Helen) lived an exemplary life of faith. She is also remembered for traveling through Palestine building churches on the sites she believed to be associated with Christ's life.*

**May 22** – Psalm 33:12-22; Exodus 19:16-25; Romans 8:14-17

**May 23 – THE VIGIL OF PENTECOST** – Exodus 19:1-9a; Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 22:12-22; Psalm 130; John 7:37-39 – *On this day, we gather in vigilant prayer as the disciples did in the days preceding Pentecost. Our world waits for an end to war and violence. The whole creation waits for an end to suffering. With undying hope we pray for the crowning gift of Easter—the Spirit of the risen Christ among us.*

**May 24 – THE DAY OF PENTECOST** – Numbers 11:24-30; Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; I Corinthians 12:3b-13; John 20:19-23; John 7:37-39



What next?

Stay tuned.