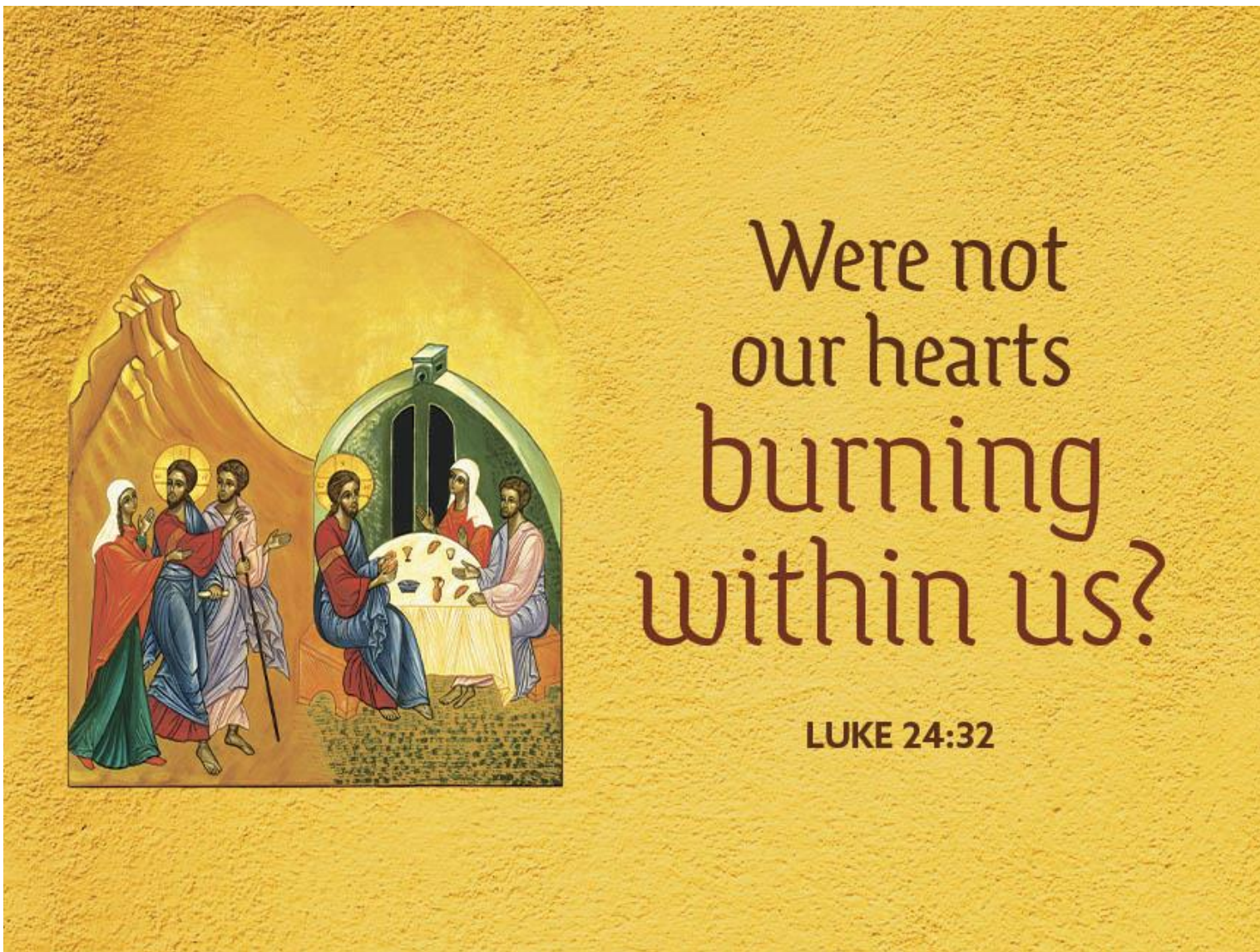


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**Sunday, April 19, 2026**  
**The Third Sunday of Easter**

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

*Congregation please stand*

**OPENING/CALL TO WORSHIP**

P: Followers of Jesus,  
by his cross we are redeemed from the futility of sin.

**C: Alleluia!**

P: By his rising we are free from the fear of death.

**C: Alleluia!**

P: By his love we are made new in the living and enduring  
Word of God.

**C: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

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## PREPARING

### Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** God has opened to us the gates of righteousness  
that we may enter through them.

Confident in God's love, let us confess our sin.

**C Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit  
we have been raised from the waters of baptism  
to share in your glorious resurrection.  
Yet we have not lived as Easter people.  
We are unsure of your promise,  
confused about your will,  
and afraid in the face of danger.  
Like Mary, we weep at the tomb,  
but do not recognize your presence.  
Call us by name, risen Lord,  
that we may know you with confidence.  
Whenever we are tempted to fear death,  
give us courage to confess your Easter victory.  
Whenever we are distracted by petty conflicts,  
Keep our minds on your reconciling love.  
Whenever we are overwhelmed by the power of evil,  
reveal again to us your triumph  
over the destructive powers of oppression.  
Forgive our sin  
and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation,  
through the love of God and by the power of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

P God who raised Jesus from the dead  
has not given us over to death.  
In the name of Jesus Christ,  
we are forgiven.  
Amen.

**Gathering Hymn**

***“Day of Arising”***

**ELW 374**

## Day of Arising



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,  
 2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,  
 3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.  
 4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.  
 blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,  
 This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:  
 bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,  
 yet Christ walks with us, ev - er a - wait - ing  
 when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,  
 Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.  
 our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.  
 there Christ is with us in bread and wine.  
 that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

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## APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

**C** And also with you.

## Kyrie

*Congregation will sing all of the Kyrie in unison.*

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## Hymn 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

Almighty God, Jesus, our risen Lord, was made known to the disciples in the breaking of the bread. Open the eyes of our hearts that we may recognize his presence, and with his disciple's cry, "The Lord has risen, indeed!" Through Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*Please be seated*

## WORD

### First Reading

**Isaiah 51: 1-6**

- <sup>1</sup> Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,  
 you who seek the LORD.  
 Look to the rock from which you were hewn  
 and to the quarry from which you were dug.
- <sup>2</sup> Look to Abraham your father  
 and to Sarah, who bore you,  
 for he was but one when I called him,  
 but I blessed him and made him many.
- <sup>3</sup> For the LORD will comfort Zion;  
 he will comfort all her waste places  
 and will make her wilderness like Eden,  
 her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
 joy and gladness will be found in her,  
 thanksgiving and the voice of song.
- <sup>4</sup> Listen to me, my people,  
 and give heed to me, my nation,  
 for a teaching will go out from me  
 and my justice for a light to the peoples.
- <sup>5</sup> I will bring near my deliverance swiftly;  
 my salvation has gone out,  
 and my arms will rule the peoples;  
 the coastlands wait for me,  
 and for my arm they hope.

<sup>6</sup> Lift up your eyes to the heavens  
 and look at the earth beneath,  
 for the heavens will vanish like smoke,  
 the earth will wear out like a garment,  
 and those who live on it will die like gnats,  
 but my salvation will be forever,  
 and my deliverance will never be ended.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 34: 1-10



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<sup>1</sup> I will bless the LORD<sup>1</sup> at all times;  
 the praise of God shall ever be<sup>1</sup> in my mouth.

<sup>2</sup> I will glory<sup>1</sup> in the LORD;  
 let the lowly hear<sup>1</sup> and rejoice.

<sup>3</sup> Proclaim with me the greatness<sup>1</sup> of the LORD;  
 let us exalt God's<sup>1</sup> name together.

<sup>4</sup> I sought the LORD, who<sup>1</sup> answered me  
 and delivered me from<sup>1</sup> all my terrors.

<sup>5</sup> Look upon the LORD<sup>1</sup> and be radiant,  
 and let not your fac-<sup>1</sup>es be downcast.

<sup>6</sup> I called in my affliction, and<sup>1</sup> the LORD heard me  
 and saved me from<sup>1</sup> all my troubles.

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encamps around those who<sup>1</sup> fear the LORD  
 and de-<sup>1</sup>livers them.

<sup>8</sup> Taste and see that the<sup>1</sup> LORD is good;  
 happy are they who take ref-<sup>1</sup>uge in God!

<sup>9</sup> Fear the LORD, you saints<sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
 for those who fear the<sup>1</sup> LORD lack nothing.

<sup>10</sup> The lions are in want and<sup>1</sup> suffer hunger,  
 but those who seek the LORD lack nothing<sup>1</sup> that is good.

**Second Reading****Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

<sup>14a</sup> Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: <sup>36</sup> “Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

<sup>37</sup> Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” <sup>38</sup> Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” <sup>40</sup> And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” <sup>41</sup> So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

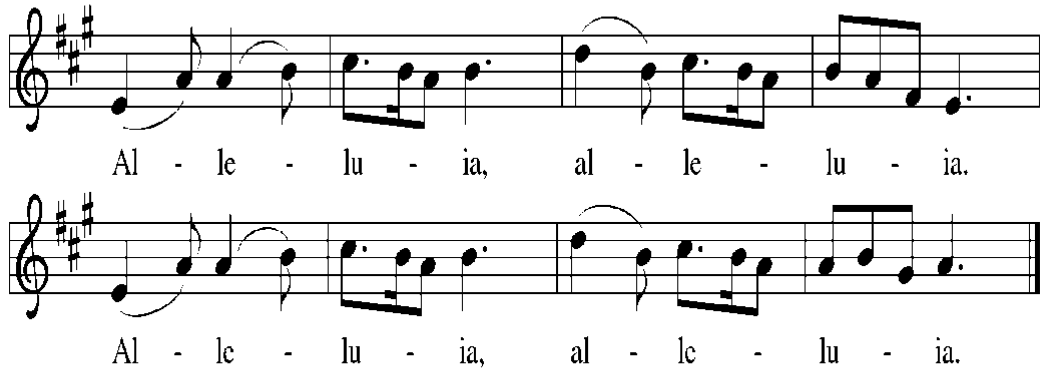
Word of God, Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Congregation please stand*

# Gospel Acclamation

## *Celtic Alleluia*



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

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

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below each staff.

*Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.*

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Verse: He is the first fruits from death,  
now are our lives filled with glory!  
Darkness vanishes  
in the light  
of his power.

## Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### Luke 24: 13-35

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” <sup>19</sup> He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

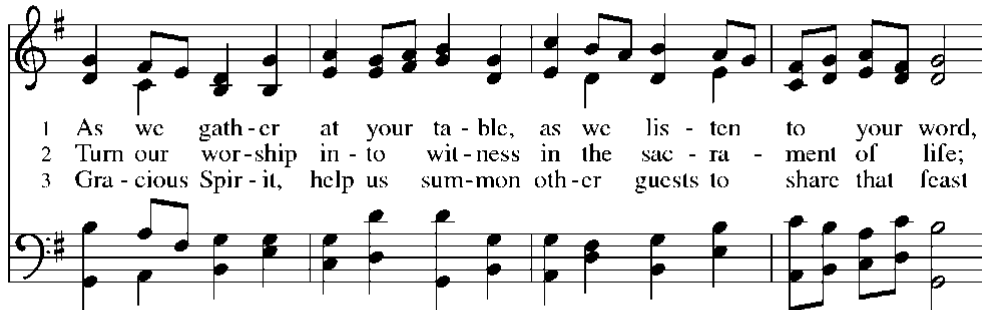
The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

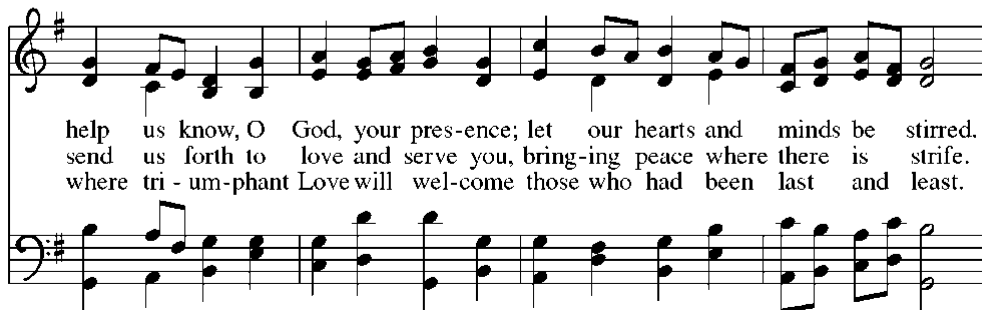
**Sermon**

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## As We Gather at Your Table



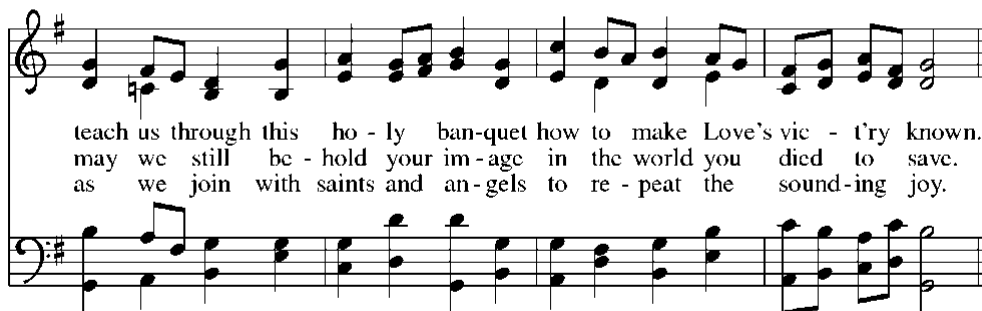
1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,  
 2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;  
 3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
 send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.  
 where tri-um-phiant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;  
 Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;  
 There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-stroy,



teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.  
 may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.  
 as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

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## **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.**

## **Sign of Peace**

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

**C** And also with you.

**Prayers of Intercession**

Let us unite our hearts in prayer, trusting in the power of Christ’s resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world.

*A brief silence.*

Living Savior, just as you journeyed with the disciples to Emmaus, accompany us on our journey of faith. Gather us at your table, that we recognize you in the breaking of the bread.....God of Resurrection

**Hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, you provide for the needs of all creation. Bless the fields that are being prepared for planting, and send favorable weather so that the soil may yield an abundant harvest.....God of Resurrection

**Hear our prayer.**

God of justice, where leaders abuse power, confront them and call them to repentance. Where there is corruption, bring integrity; where there is violence, sow peace.....God of Resurrection

**Hear our prayer.**

Healing Savior, your resurrection brings hope to a hurting world. We pray for Shirley, Allan, Charlotte, Jack, Cathy, Roxy, Karen, Darlene, Ron, Chuck, Jessie, Helen, Carol, Millie, Lillian, Marian, Peggy, Glenn, Sandy, and Lisa Heal those who are sick. Strengthen the weary, give courage to the despairing, and comfort the dying.....God of Resurrection

**Hear our prayer.**

Gracious One, you have made us your own through the gift of baptism. Unite us in genuine love for one another and uphold this community in your name.....God of Resurrection

**Hear our prayer.**

Eternal Light, we give thanks for all who have nurtured your church’s life in ages past. Bring us at last with them to the brightness of your glorious presence.....God of Resurrection

**Hear our prayer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

**Stewardship Snippet: Luke 24: 32** <sup>“32</sup> **They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”**

Today’s gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord’s day.

**Lector - We will now worship God with our offering.**

**Offertory**

## Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

### *Offering Song*



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

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## MEAL

P Let us pray,

**C 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.**

### Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P 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, Holy, Holy

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.

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.  
 You are most holy,  
 and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
 so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
 but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world  
 to fulfill for us your holy will  
 and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
 we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
 his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,  
 and the promise of his coming again,  
 we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,  
 not as we ought but as we are able;

we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving  
 and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,  
 and these your own gifts of bread and wine,  
 so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ  
 may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,  
 and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,  
 may be formed to live as your holy people  
 and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
 be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.  
 Amen.

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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**

P So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a while; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who are wandering still.

Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated***Be Known to us, Lord Jesus**

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.

**Holy Communion**

*Prepackaged communion is available for those who wish to remain in the pews.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS:**

**ELW**

**494, 495, 491**

*Congregation please stand*

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



1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,  
2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:  
till earth-ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,  
till rap-tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin-ing shore,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
where Christ, the bless-ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

## Post Communion Prayer

P Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

### Charge

P Go in the joy of resurrection:  
purify your souls;  
be obedient to the truth;  
be genuine in love,  
through the living and enduring Word of God.

### Blessing

P May the grace of Jesus Christ our risen Lord,  
the love of God who raised him from the dead,  
and the power of the Holy Spirit who fills the world with new life  
bless and keep you.  
**Amen.**

### Dismissal

P Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Sending Hymn**

***“O God of Love, O King of Peace”***

**ELW 749**

## O God of Love, O King of Peace

1 O God of love, O King of peace, make wars through -  
 2 Re - mem - ber, Lord, your works of old, the won - ders  
 3 Whom shall we trust but you, O Lord? Where rest but  
 4 Where saints and an - gels dwell a - bove all hearts are

out the world to cease; our greed and sin - ful wrath re - strain.  
 that our el - ders told; re - mem - ber not our sins' deep stain.  
 on your faith - ful word? None ev - er called on you in vain.  
 knit in ho - ly love; oh, bind us in that heav'n - ly chain.

Give peace, O God, give peace a - gain.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877  
 Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

**P** We at Christ Lutheran Church are  
**C** God's called, Loved Children who serve.  
**P** Go in Peace. The living Word dwells in you.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

**Postlude**

**Christ Lutheran Church**

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## Prayer Concerns

Shirley Hoffman, Pat Reich, Elyse Brown, Allan Imler, Sylvia Webb & the Indian Mobile Mission, Join Hands, Loads of Love, Neighbor Helping Neighbor, Brian Proctor, Joanne Reisinger, Jackie Maguire, Jack Smith, Cathy Cavanaugh, Charlotte Dyer, Rachelle Gilcrease, Roxy Huss, Karen Ersoz, Carol Darr, Darlene Johnson, Ron Hoffman, Ron & Nancy Moore, Chuck Hoffman, Helen Huss, Jessie Frye, Carol Shumaker, Millie Bell, Lillian Kistler, Marian Hoffman, Hope Kominek, Matthew Landis, Peggy Paden, Glenn Shumaker, Chris Hope, Velma Wittlinger, Lindsey Melnick, Judy Moore, Donna Kistler, Kristen Gaisior, Charlene McBride, Gay Weller, Sandy Hoover, the family of Clyde Jr, Frank Valentine, Lisa Dubay, Shelly Hill, the family of Joanne Speis, Samantha Moyer, David Siegfried, Sr., the family of Robert Caradonna, Jesse Clouser and Family.

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By Joe & Lillian Kistler  
In Loving Memory of their Son in Law Robert Larish.

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Lector/prayers – Jean Tota  
Next Sunday – Beverly Reifsnyder

Wine – Beverly Reifsnyder  
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Terry Kuhn, Becky Yohe

SUNDAY, April 19, 2026

The Third Sunday of Easter

Worship service – 11:00am – Holy Communion

Bible Study – 7pm - Zoom

Birthday – Laurene Anderson

MONDAY, April 20th, 2026

AT Hiker Meals Planning Meeting

7pm – Zoom

TUESDAY, April 21st, 2026

Bible Study – 1pm - Zoom

Twin Kiss (Shermansdale) Fundraiser

3pm – 9pm

WEDNESDAY, April 22nd, 2026THURSDAY, April 23rd, 2026

LWR Quilters – 1:00pm

FRIDAY, April 24th, 2026SATURDAY, April 25th, 2026

Earth Day at Clark's Ferry Tavern

CLC will have a table. Chocolate chip cookies are needed.

SUNDAY, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Worship service – 11:00 am - Holy Communion

Bible Study – 7:00pm – Zoom.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Noisy Offering** - Today is Noisy Offering Sunday. All offerings collected will go to Join Hands.

**Newsletter Deadline** – The deadline for submissions to the next newsletter is April 26<sup>th</sup>. Please send your articles to Charlene Lentvorsky at [cmsky620@gmail.com](mailto:cmsky620@gmail.com).

**Appalachian Trail Hiker Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** – The dinner will be held on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7pm, or until sold out. The cost of a ticket is \$10 per adult; \$5 for 12 and under. The meal includes spaghetti & meatballs, salad, garlic bread, dessert and drink. Tickets are available for pre-sale. The congregation is asked to donate desserts. There is a sign up sheet available.

**A.T. Hiker Spaghetti Dinners Planning Meeting** – The weekly hiker spaghetti dinners will begin on Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, from 5-7pm. A planning meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm on Zoom.

### **April Meeting/Events**

April 20 – A.T. Hiker Meals Planning Meeting – 7pm – Zoom.

April 21 – Twin Kiss (Shermansdale) Fundraiser, 3-9pm.

April 25 – Earth Day at Clark’s Ferry Tavern

April 28 – Community Outreach committee meeting – 7pm – Zoom

April 29 – CLC Book Club discussion – 7pm - Zoom

### **May Meetings/Events**

May 9 – AT Hiker Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser, 4 – 7pm (or until sold out)

May 11 – Finance committee meeting – 7pm – Zoom

May 13 – AT Hiker Spaghetti Dinners begin. 5-7pm

May 14 – Church Council meeting – 6:30pm

May 26 – Community Outreach committee meeting – 7pm – Zoom

**CLC WISH LIST** - Dinner Napkins

## GOSPEL MESSAGE

**April 19, 2026**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**The Way of Resurrection**

In some Bibles the subheading for today's gospel reading is "The Road to Emmaus." Although this is a suitable description, we could also call it "The Way to Emmaus." On the road or way to Emmaus, two disciples encounter the risen Christ. Notice that as Jesus accompanies them, he meets them where they are, holds their heartache, questions their assumptions, challenges their perspectives, and ultimately guides them deep into God's word. All this happens on the way!

Only one of the two companions on the way with Jesus is named: Cleopas. Why is the other disciple's identity a mystery? Luke may be using a clever storytelling device, one designed for readers to see themselves as part of the narrative. In that case, you may be the unnamed disciple in this Jesus story! (Aren't we all disciples on the way, accompanied by Jesus on the journey of Easter faith?)

Eventually, after Jesus blesses and breaks bread at a meal, the two disciples finally recognize him. Their hearts are kindled with faith and activated by the word of God encountered on the way with Jesus. It is no surprise that they hit the road again, racing back to Jerusalem to tell the others what just happened on the way.

From the very beginning, the way of faith in Christ has been a movement of resurrection promise. This movement has never stopped sharing the grace and love of God with everyone it encounters along the way. We are called to join this movement, with all our heartaches, assumptions, and misunderstandings. We are not people with all the answers, but sojourners or pilgrims on the way.

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