

* DOXOLOGY - “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” - #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS AND OURSELVES

* EASTERTIDE HYMN - “He Lives” (insert)

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE - “Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!” #248 (vs 3)

Christ is Risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same.

Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.

Tell its grim, demonic chorus: “Christ is risen! Get you gone!”

God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone.

* POSTLUDE - “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” - arr. Benjamin



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Order of Worship

3rd Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2025

At the sound of the chimes, please use this time to silently prepare for worship.

CHIMES

PRELUDE - “Easter Lilies” - Southbridge

*“Flowers in ev’ry pasture, leaves on ev’ry bough,
Speak of sorrows ended; Jesus triumphs now!”*

John Ellerton, 1868

GREETING - This is the day that the Lord has made!

“Let us rejoice and be glad in it!”

FAITH CHOIR AND CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT - “Jesus Calls Us”

#740 (verse 4)

Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call.

Give our hearts to thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

When Jesus speaks, our hearts burn within us;

our eyes are opened when he breaks the bread.

Beloved, we are God’s children now;

when Christ is revealed, we will be like him.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain.

Blessing and honor and glory to God.

* OPENING HYMN - “The Summons” - #726

*** THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

Let us take a few minutes for silent reflection.

*** THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)**

Listen, the time has come at last. Look, now is the day of salvation! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! *Thanks be to God!*

*** GLORIA PATRI - “Glory Be to the Father”**

*Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE (responsively)**

May mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance. The peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you.*

(You are invited to offer your neighbor a brief sign of peace.)

THE WELCOMING OF GUESTS

We invite our guests to use the nametags in the attendance pads to identify themselves so that we may get to know each other.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME - Richard Carter

ANTHEM - “Crown Him, The Risen King!” - Larson (Faith Choir)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, by your Holy Spirit tell us what we need to hear and show us what we ought to do to obey Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Psalm 90:13-17

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. *Thanks be to God.*

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – John 21:1-19

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON - “Feed My Sheep and Follow Me”

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD: adaptation of “A Brief Statement of Faith”

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image to live as one community. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY “All Glory, Laud and Honor” - arr. Koerts