

Ascension Lutheran Church Livestream Worship
Easter Sunday
April 12 – 9:15am

Welcome! A few pointers to make this worship service meaningful:

- Set the space. Clear a table of everything except the screen, a Bible, and the candle. Turn off the TV, radio, and phones.
- Make sure your computer/tablet/phone is charged, connected to the internet, and has the volume up.
- We will be receiving communion this morning. Have your bread and wine or grape juice ready.
- We won't be receiving an offering during the service, but please still support the ministry of Ascension. You can give online at www.ascensioncos.org/give or mail a check to:
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Prelude - "Variations on O Filii et Filiae" by Raymond H. Haan

Welcome

Unveiling of the Cross– “The Strife Is O'er”

Confession

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the life beyond all death, the joy beyond all sorrow, our everlasting home.

Amen.

Rejoicing in Christ's victory over sin and death, let us come before God who calls us to repentance.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

God of grace and glory,

you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet, we confess that we are still plagued by doubt. We are still consumed by fear. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us, changing our lives and making us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

Forgiveness

Hymn – Jesus Christ is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

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.

Kyrie

Refrain

Assistant: *Congregation:*

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord, have mer-cy,

to Verses

Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

Assistant: For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all . . . (to Refrain)

Assistant: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word . . . (to Refrain)

Assistant:

Help, save and de - fend us, O

Congregation:

God. A - men.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,

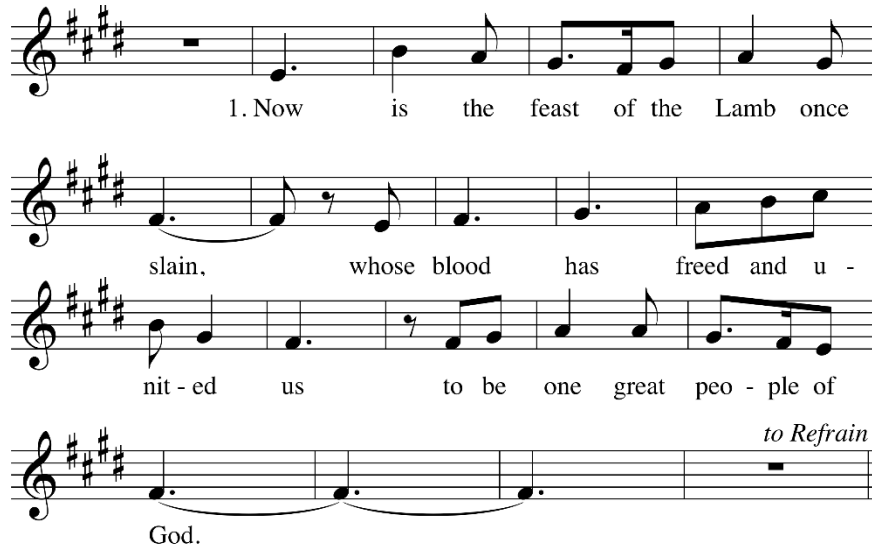
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy

to the God of life and love and

free-dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -

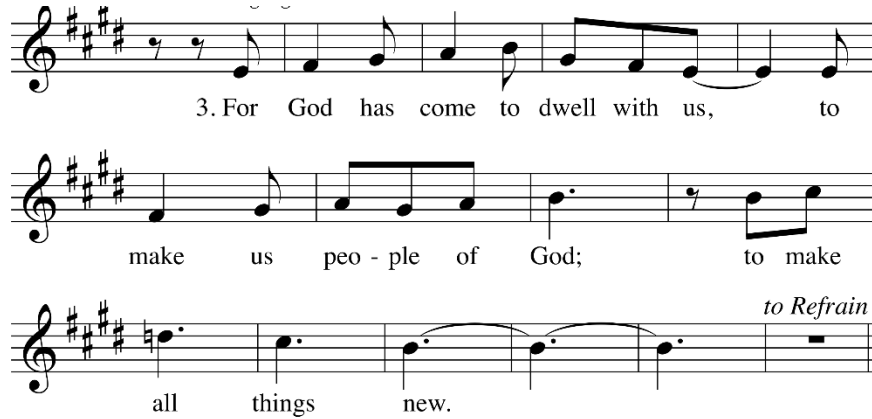
er - more!

Verse 1



1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of
God. *to Refrain*

Verse 3



3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new. *to Refrain*

Prayer of the Day

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Holy God, receive our unending love and devotion as we celebrate today the undeserved gift of your love. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Scripture – Mark 16:1-8

Children’s Sermon

Sermon – Pastor Dan Holt

Hymn – 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
 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 -
 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 -
 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
 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"?
 out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

Easter Creed (from 1 Corinthians 15)

This is the good news which we received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day and that he appeared to Peter, then to the twelve and to many faithful witnesses. We believe he is the Christ, the Son of the living God. He is the first and the last, the beginning and the end, he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Prayers

Rooted in the abundant life and love of Christ Jesus, we pray for the life of the church, the lives of those in need, and the life of all creation.

(a brief silence)

The Sanctus

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. ho - san - na in the high - est!

The Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table,

give us life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child; When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, the psalmists cried out for healing, and we pray,

give us life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. Trusting in his infinite love, we pray,

give us life. Amen.

In the night in which he was betrayed ...

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.

Amen.

Trusting his presence in this life, we plead Amen.

Amen.

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Communion

At the time of communion, we encourage you to have your bread and wine or grape juice ready. When the pastor says "the body of Christ given for you" eat the bread and when the pastor says "the blood of Christ shed for you" drink the wine, trusting that this is God's free gift of grace for you. If you are worshipping with family or others, one person might take the bread and wine with the pastor's words and then offer the same words to others as they eat and drink. God's love and this meal are for all, including children. If your children are not yet ready to receive, offer a simple blessing such as "May the Lord bless you and keep you."

Communion blessing

Hymn – Thine is the Glory



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;

Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Benediction

Postlude - "Trumpet Finale" by Manfredini/ arr. by S. Drummond Wolff

Thanks to our musicians today: Teresa Allen, Chris Hammiel, and Mary Stoneback

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