

## Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church



### The Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024, 10am The Rite of Holy Baptism of Luke Monroe Bundrick

**Welcome to Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church!** We greet one another as sisters and brothers in Christ and welcome all who may be visiting. We are delighted that you are here to worship, first time visitors, and encourage you to sign our guest book in the entry hall. Please fill out a visitor's card in the pew holders and place it in the offertory plate. HOLY COMMUNION is open to all who confess their faith in Jesus and acknowledge Him to be Lord. Those unable to partake of wine are assured the Church affirms our Lord's presence in, with and under the bread alone.

**PRELUDE:** *Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*  
William H. Weinmann

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **THANKSGIVING FOR HOLY BAPTISM**

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

**C** **Amen.**

**P** 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 is poured into the font*

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

**C Blessed be God, now and forever!**

P Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the River Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

**C Blessed be God, now and forever!**

P We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

**C Blessed be God, now and forever!**

P To you be given honor and praise, our God and Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever!

**C Amen.**

**ENTRANCE HYMN:** *Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters* ELW 445

#### **EASTER GREETING**

P Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

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

#### **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.**

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

**C O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

# FESTIVAL CANTICLE

## Refrain



This is the feast \_\_\_\_\_ of vic - to-ry for our God.



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



<i>Women and Girls</i>	1. Wor - thy	is	Christ, the	Lamb	who	was	slain,	whose
<i>Men and Boys</i>	2. Pow -	er	rich - es,	wis -	dom,	and	strength,	and
<i>Women and Girls</i>	3. Sing	with	all	the	peo -	ple	of	God, _____
<i>Men and Boys</i>	4. Bless -	ing,	hon -	or,	glo -	ry,	and	might
<i>All singing</i>	5. For	the	Lamb _____	who	was	slain	has	be -



blood	set	us	free _____	to	be	peo -	ple	of	God.	<i>Refrain</i>
hon -	or, _____	bless -	ing,	and	glo -	ry	are	his.	<i>Refrain</i>	
join	in	the	hymn	of	all	cre -	a -	tion:	<i>to Verse 4</i>	
God	and	the	Lamb	for -	ev -	er.	A -	men.	<i>Refrain</i>	
gun	his _____	reign. _____	Al -	le -	lu -	ia.	<i>Final Refrain</i>			

## Final Refrain



This is the feast \_\_\_\_\_ of vic - to-ry for our God.



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

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## WORD

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

*We sit*

### **FIRST READING: ACTS 8:26-40**

<sup>26</sup>An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) <sup>27</sup>So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup>and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup>Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” <sup>30</sup>So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” <sup>31</sup>He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. <sup>32</sup>Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.

<sup>33</sup>In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

<sup>34</sup>The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” <sup>35</sup>Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup>As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” <sup>38</sup>He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. <sup>39</sup>When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. <sup>40</sup>But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

**L The Word of the Lord. C Thanks Be to God!**

**PSALM: PSALM 22:25-31 (sung responsively by whole verse)**



- <sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the | great assembly;  
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the LORD.
- <sup>26</sup>**The poor shall eat | and be satisfied,**  
**Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your**  
**hearts | live forever!**
- <sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD;  
all the families of nations shall bow | before God.
- <sup>28</sup>**For dominion belongs | to the LORD,**  
**who rules o- | ver the nations.**
- <sup>29</sup>Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow | down in worship;  
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel be-  
| fore the LORD.
- <sup>30</sup>**Their descendants shall | serve the LORD,**  
**whom they shall proclaim to genera- | tions to come.**
- <sup>31</sup>They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people | yet unborn,  
saying to them, "The | LORD has acted!"

**SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 4:7-21**

<sup>7</sup>Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; every-  
one who loves is born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup>Whoever does not love  
does not know God, for God is love. <sup>9</sup>God's love was revealed among  
us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might  
live through him. <sup>10</sup>In this is love, not that we loved God but that he  
loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our  
sins. <sup>11</sup>Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one  
another. <sup>12</sup>No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives  
in us, and his love is perfected in us.

<sup>13</sup>By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has  
given us of his Spirit. <sup>14</sup>And we have seen and do testify that the Fa-  
ther has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. <sup>15</sup>God abides in those  
who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. <sup>16</sup>So  
we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God  
abides in them. <sup>17</sup>Love has been perfected among us in this: that we  
may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we  
in this world. <sup>18</sup>There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear;

for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. <sup>19</sup>We love because he first loved us. <sup>20</sup>Those who say, “I love God,” and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. <sup>21</sup>The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

L The Word of the Lord. C **Thanks Be to God!**

*We stand*

**CELTIC ALLELUIA (SING TWICE)**

Celtic Alleluia

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

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

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**HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 15:1-8**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th Chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord! (*spoken boldly*)**

[Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup>“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. <sup>2</sup>He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup>You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup>Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup>I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup>Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup>If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup>My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

P The Gospel of the Lord. C **Praise to You, O Christ!**

*We sit*

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

**SERMON:** *How will you experience new life? Come and see.*

Rev. Ron Philabaum

**THE RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM OF LUKE MONROE BUNDRICK**

*We stand*

*As we sing the hymn, the Baptismal Party gathers at the font.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** *Borning Cry*

*ELW 732*

*We sit*

P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Who do you present this day for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism?

Parents: Jesse & Madison Bundrick

Sponsors: Alex Mavrikiotis, Alissa Mavrikiotis, Ainsley Medley

*We present Luke Monroe Bundrick for baptism*

P Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

R<sub>x</sub> *I do.*

P As you bring this child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help him grow in the Christian faith and life?

R<sub>x</sub> *I do.*

P Sponsors and people of this congregation, do you promise to nurture this child in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? Will you promise to support Luke Monroe and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

**C We will.**

*The Baptismal Party with the Congregation profess the faith into which we baptize.*

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**All We renounce them.**

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**All We renounce them.**

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**All We renounce them.**

P Do you believe in God the Father?

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**All I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**All I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection + of the body, and the life everlasting.**



## THANKSGIVING AND BAPTISM

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that he who is here washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Luke Monroe with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*The Baptized is anointed with chrism.*

P Luke Monroe Bundrick child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C **Amen.**

*A lighted candle is presented as a sign of Christ's light.*

R<sub>x</sub> *Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.*

*The newly baptized is welcomed into the faith community.*

P Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

#### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

*After each portion of the prayers:*

P God of grace,           **C hear our prayer.**

#### **SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

#### **LITURGY OF THE LORD'S TABLE**

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *O Blessed Spring***

*O blessed spring, where word and sign embrace us into Christ the Vine:  
here Christ enjoins each one to be a branch of this life-giving Tree.*

*Through summer heat of youthful years, uncertain faith, rebellious tears,  
sustained by Christ's infusing rain, the boughs will shout for joy again.*

*When autumn cools and youth is cold, when limbs their heavy harvest hold,  
then through us, warm, the Christ will move with gifts of beauty, wisdom, love.*

*As winter comes, as winters must, we breathe our last, return to dust;  
still held in Christ, our souls take wing and trust the promise of the spring.*

*Christ, holy Vine, Christ, living Tree, be praised for this blest mystery:  
that word and water thus revive and join us to your Tree of Life.*

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**OFFERTORY SONG:** *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord* [ELW 184]



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



bles - 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 the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



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

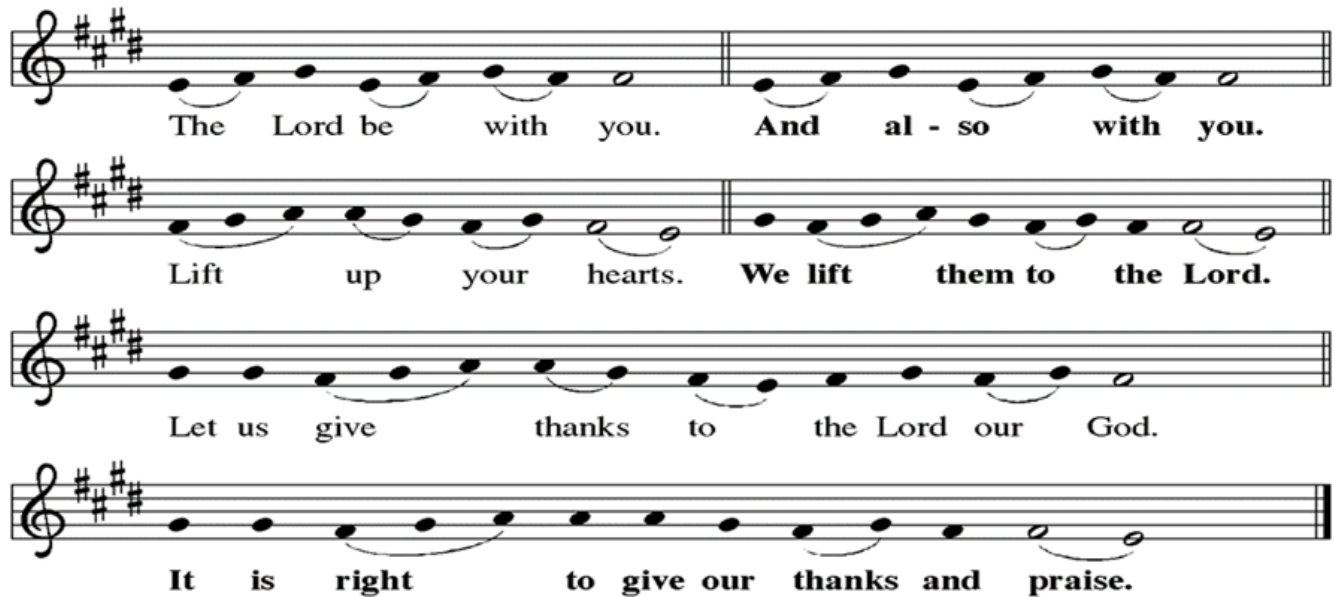
**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**P** Let us pray:

**C** **God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**  
*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

**HOLY COMMUNION**

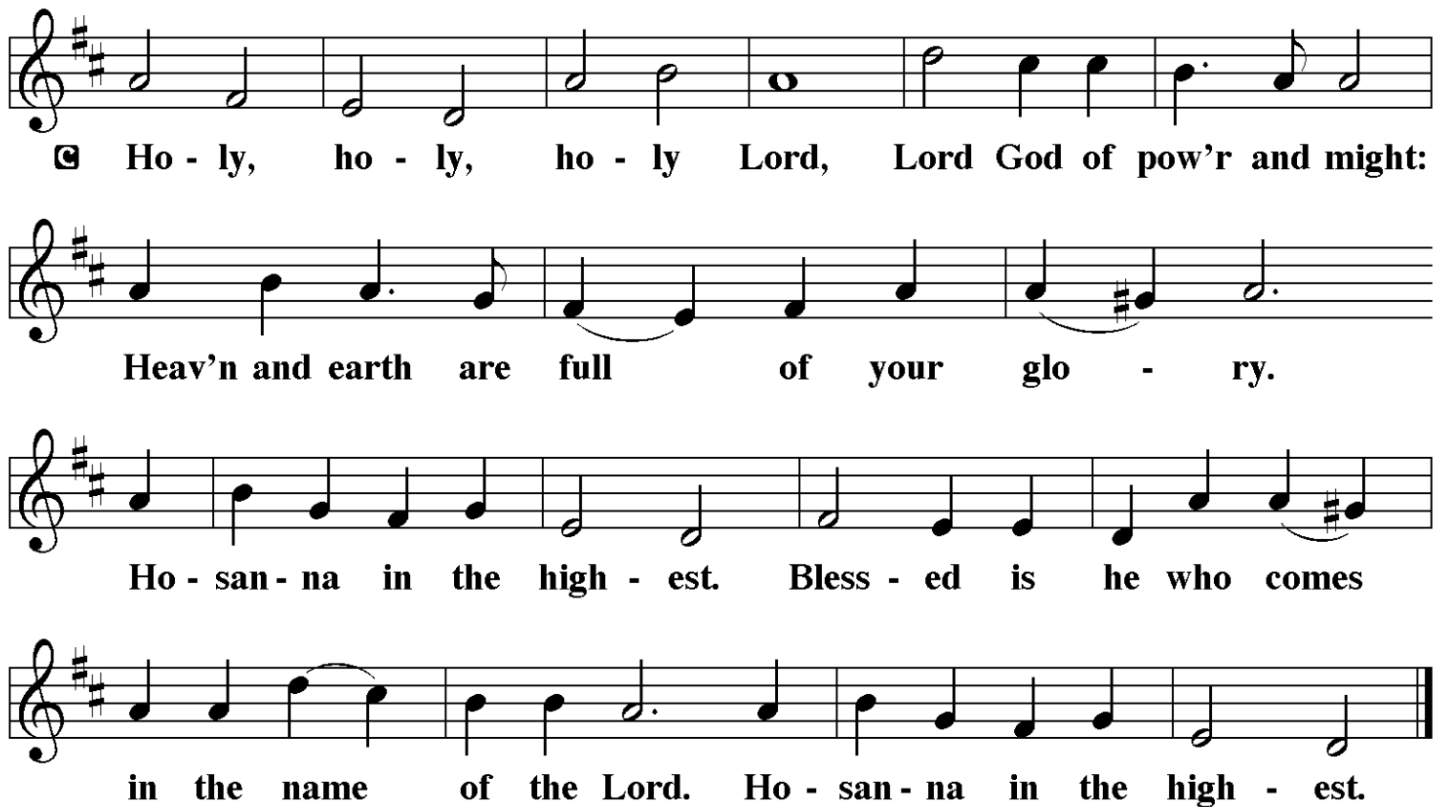


The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:



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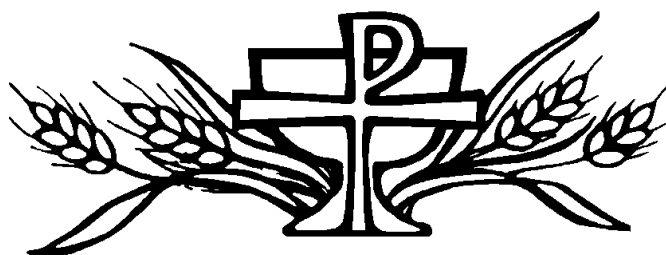


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth. We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer. We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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.



**I am the bread of life**

P 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.

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world. Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

### 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 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.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

### COMMUNION HYMN: *Lamb of God*

*ELW page 154*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION HYMNS:** *Baptized and Set Free*  
*Remember and Rejoice*

ELW 453  
ELW 454

*We stand*

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

C **Amen**

**SENDING**

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

**PRAYER**

P Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

C **Amen.**

**BLESSING**

P The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope † bless you now and always.

C **Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:** *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* ELW 367

**DISMISSAL**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

P Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

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

**POSTLUDE:** *All Who Believe and Are Baptized*

Johann Sebastian Bach

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*To participate in God's mission, this congregation as a part of the Church shall*

**WORSHIP:** *Joyfully proclaim the Word of God*  
**LEARN:** *Dutifully study, teach and live the Word of God*  
**WITNESS:** *Boldly share the Word of God*  
**SERVE:** *Humbly and enthusiastically respond to the Word of God*  
**SUPPORT:** *Gladly give our time, talent and treasures motivated by the Word of God*

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