

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN OF INVOCATION**

This Joyful Eastertide

LSB 482

1. **This joyful Eastertide Away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, Has sprung to life this morrow:
Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen; But now has Christ arisen!**

2. **Death's flood has lost its chill Since Jesus crossed the river;
Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver:
Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen; But now has Christ arisen!**

3. **My flesh in hope shall rest And for a season slumber
Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number:
Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen; But now has Christ arisen!**

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

BAPTISM (5:00)

L: We wait in hope for the Lord.

C: **He is our help and our shield.**

L: From heaven the Lord looks down and sees all mankind.

C: **From His dwelling place He watches all who live on earth.**

L: The eyes of the Lord are on those who fear Him.

C: **On those whose hope is in His unfailing love.**

L: We confess together:

C: **Lord, I confess to You that my behavior has not always been what You require. The evil that I ought not do, I have done, and the good I should do, has often gone undone. I have not consistently demonstrated my love for You and those around me. In Your mercy do not judge me according to my sins, but forgive me for the sake of the person, death, and resurrection of Jesus, my Lord and King.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

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

***THE KYRIE**

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

***THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (Taken from LSB pages 187-189) (8:00)

♪ Glory be to God on high, And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray.

C: ♪ Amen.

THE FIRST READING for the fifth Sunday of Easter is from Acts 11:7-18, page 920:

⁷"And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' ¹⁰This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ¹²And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ¹⁴ he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' ¹⁵As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" ¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God.

8:00 & 10:30 Chancel Choir *I Will Sing Praise Unto The Lord*

THE SECOND READING is from Revelation 21:1-5, page 1041:

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." ⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL** - The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter, verses 31-35, page 900:

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. ³³Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you

cannot come.' ³⁴ A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵ By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

***THE APOSTLES' CREED (8:00, 9:20, 10:30)**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SONG (Sung as the children come forward)

8:00 & 10:30

1. **Glory be to Jesus, Who in perfect love,
Died to be my Savior, Sent from heav'n above.**
2. **Glory be to Jesus, Risen Lord and King;
When on happy Easter, Alleluias ring.**
3. **Glory be to Jesus, Now ascended high;
Our eternal Savior, Lives no more to die.**
4. **Glory be to Jesus, Helping us to love;
Who, at last, receives us, To His home above.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE 8:00 & 10:30

Christina Stackle

SERMON HYMN

Where Charity and Love Prevail

LSB 845

1. **Where charity and love prevail There God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love By love are we thus bound.**
2. **With grateful joy and holy fear His charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and soul Now love Him in return.**
3. **Forgive we now each other's faults As we our faults confess,
And let us love each other well In Christian holiness.**
4. **Let strife among us be unknown; Let all contention cease;
Be God's the glory that we seek; Be ours His holy peace.**
5. **Let us recall that in our midst Dwells Christ, His only Son;
As members of His body joined We are in Him made one.**

THE SERMON

"I Make All Things New"

(Revelation 21:1-5)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

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***THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***LITANY OF THE RESURRECTION**

L: Jesus, our Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world,

C: Have mercy upon us.

L: Jesus, who by Your death has destroyed death, and by Your rising to life again has restored to us everlasting life,

C: Have mercy upon us.

L: By Your resplendent resurrection, Your victory over death, and by the glorious majesty of Your risen body,

C: Good Lord, deliver us,

L: That we may walk in love even as You do walk in love; that we may set our affections on things above, not on things on earth; that we may dwell with You forever in the new heaven and earth, in the Holy City, the New Jerusalem,

C: Grant us, good Lord.

L: O Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world,

C: Grant us Your peace.

L: O Jesus, hear us.

C: Jesus, graciously hear us. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found inside back cover of hymnal)

***THE BENEDICTION**

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen, amen, amen.

***THE CLOSING HYMN**

Lord, Keep us Steadfast in Your Word

LSB 655

**1. Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the Kingdom from Your Son
And set at naught all He has done.**

**2. Lord Jesus Christ, Your power make known,
For You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy church that we
May sing Your praise eternally.**

***SILENT PRAYER / POSTLUDE + + + + +**

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: 5 & 9:20: Burnell Hackman; 8 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Janice McCreary/Dennis Gerfen

NEWS AND NOTES:

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 24, 2016

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): I John

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Grade Youth: led by Rick Goodman 7th Grade Youth: led by Greg Wirtel

PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES.

HEARING ASSIST TRANSMITTERS are available from the ushers. Ear pieces are available although we suggest you bring your own.

FOOD & DRINK consumption should be kept inside the Gym.

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Steve and Linda Kienstra in celebration of their daughter Kelly's April 23rd wedding; and from Herman and Alice Petsch in honor of their 56th wedding anniversary. LIVE BROADCAST over KFUD radio (850 AM dial) of Peace's 8 a.m. service today is sponsored by Herman and Alice Petsch to the Glory of God.

BAPTISM (5:00) Benjamin Scott Visser, son of Vaughn and Heather Ann n e Miller Visser. Sponsors: Christopher C. Vohsen and Michelle R. n e Miller Kennon.

GROCERY BAGS will be distributed next weekend for the annual Feed My People Pantry drive on Mother's Day.

LADIES GUILD Spring Salad Luncheon, Wednesday, May 4 at noon. Tickets on sale in the Commons after services until 10:30 a.m. through May 1. (Note: Tickets are not going to be sold after the 10:30 service.) Advance tickets only—Cost \$10. Contact Julia Petrovic for more information.

HOLY COMMUNION will be Mother's Day weekend, May 7 and 8, instead of the first and third weekends in May. Please note.

HYMN FESTIVAL at Peace, next Sunday, May 1, 3:00 p.m. featuring organist Dr. John A. Behnke with our parish choirs and instrumentalists. The Festival will include the world premiere of "Windows of Peace and Love" based on the stained glass windows of Peace, composed by Dr. Behnke.

AUGUSTANA COLLEGE CHOIR at Peace, Wednesday, May 4, 7:00 p.m.

"STAND AND PRAY FOR LIFE" at Concordia Seminary, May 14, 9:00-11:45 a.m. Sponsored by the Concordia Seminary Life Team. Training beforehand, followed by 45 minutes outside of Planned Parenthood. Debriefing and normal Life Team meeting to follow on the Seminary Campus.

YOUTH NEWS: The Youth and Adult Leader NYG meeting is **today**, 4-7 p.m. New 9th Gr. Scavenger Hunt (Welcome Event) will be Sun., 5/1. RSVP today.

PARENTAL MEETING of next year's 7th-8th Grade Confirmation students, Wednesday, May 11, 6:30 p.m. to introduce curriculum materials, carpool arrangements, and class sessions, held Wednesdays, beginning August 24. (Sermon notebooks available for 7th/8th graders to begin taking notes May 15.)

SAFETY PINS NEEDED - Donate your extra safety pins to help pair items (socks, gloves, etc.) for the Aug. 6 Couples' Club Garage Sale. Thank you!

COUPLES CLUB to tour Warm Springs Ranch (Home of the Clydesdales), Sat., June 11. Bus seats still available. If interested or have questions, contact Heather Carlson. RSVP no later than May 1. Everyone welcome!

BEREAN CARECIPLES will meet April 25, May 9 and May 23, at 9:30 a.m., before they break for summer. - W. Brune

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF APRIL 24, 2016:

Today: 4:00 NYG Meeting
6:00 Adult Inquiry
6:00 Full Rehearsal for Hymn Festival
Mon: 9:30 Berean Careciples
6:30 Elders
Tue: 9:00 Quilters
6:00 Men's Club
6:30 Men's Volleyball
Wed: 4:50 Celebration Ringers
5:30 Glocken Ringers
7:00 Alleluia Ringers

Wed: 7:00 Wednesday Bible Study
Thu: 9:00 Mary/Martha Bible Study
5:30 ESL Sports
6:30 ESL Classes
7:00 Chancel Choir
Fri: 7:00 Dress Rehearsal for Hymn Festival
Sat: 5:00 Worship Service w/Comm.
Sun: 11:45 Life Ministry Team
3:00 Hymn Festival with Dr. J. Behnke
6:00 Adult Inquiry
7:00 Peter Careciples-Schuesslers