

¹³I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. ¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. ¹⁵Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful servants. ¹⁶Truly I am your servant, Lord; I serve you just as my mother did; you have freed me from my chains. ¹⁷I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the name of the Lord. ¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people, ¹⁹in the courts of the house of the Lord—in your midst, Jerusalem.

P: This is the Word of the Lord, **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: “Celtic Alleluia” *(stand as you are able)*
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. 2X

The Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

¹³Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles[a] from Jerusalem. ¹⁴They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶but they were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?” They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” ¹⁹“What things?” he asked. “About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²²In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.” ²⁵He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. ²⁸As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³²They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?” ³³They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” ³⁵Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

P: This is the Word of the Lord, **C: Thanks be to God.**

Children’s Sermon *(you may be seated)*

Solo: *“Seek Ye First”* sung by Julie Peterson, Sara Strusz, Jolene Mann, Katie Nelson and Taylee Strusz

Sermon: Pastor Eric Hanson

Hymn of the Day: “Thy Word”

Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you’d like to sign up for online giving please visit www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving. Children’s coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world at the end of the Sunday School year.

Chorus: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path.

Vs 1: When I feel afraid, and I think I’ve lost my way, still You’re there right beside me.
Nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. [chorus]

Vs 2: I will not forget your love for me, and yet my heart forever is wandering.
Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; I will love You to the end.

Offertory Response: “Give Thanks”

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, “I am strong”.
Let the poor say, “I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us”. Give thanks.

Offering Prayer:

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.

“I Believe, I Do Believe” (Please stand as you are able)

Refrain: I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it. (repeat)

Verse 1. I believe in God the Almighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator, Mighty Lord Creator. (repeat)

Refrain: I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it. (repeat)

Verse 2. I believe in Jesus the Savior of the people, Savior of the people, Savior of the people. (repeat)

Refrain: I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it. (repeat)

Verse 3. And I do believe in the Power of the Spirit, Power of the Spirit, Power of the Spirit. (repeat)

Refrain: I believe, I do believe, truly I believe it, truly I believe it, truly I believe it. (repeat)

The Prayers: *(call and response)*

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. *A brief silence.* Ever-present God, you make yourself known in the breaking of the bread and in the bonds of community. Reveal yourself to us in the faces of all we meet. Strengthened by your body and blood, let us boldly live out your good news. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

As we know you in the breaking of the bread, we know you in the grains of the field and the flowing waters. Care for the earth you lovingly create. Strengthen those who safeguard threatened land and water. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You are the authority to whom we dedicate our lives, Help us keep the needs of those most vulnerable at the forefront of our community. Move us to care for any who are disregarded or oppressed. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Mothering God, you feed and comfort those who hunger. Open the hearts of those who hoard resources and lead them to share your abundance. We pray for anyone hungering for your comforting presence this day. Be a healing presence for any in chronic pain, sickness, or grief Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Judy Carpenter, Larry Reese, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Jen Berg, Marilyn O’Brien, Kellie Peterson, Kay Kurtti, Shawn Frederixon, Pete Poncelet, and Donald & Marcy Jonas. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You pour out your love on those who are oppressed. Support and comfort anyone who is marginalized by gender or sexuality and those whose stories are not believed. Form this community to listen faithfully and speak honestly in our ministry together. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We remember with thanksgiving all your beloved saints. As you have raised them to eternal life, abide with us in your promise of resurrection. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ’s resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace:

P: The peace of Christ be with you always **C: And also with you.**

Celebration of First Communion

Laura Ludwig, Blake Stenlund, Hannah Ryan, Mitchell Poston, Samuel Majerus, Aubrey Ryan, Max Gravemann, Taylee Strusz, Murphy Voth, Haylee Ramboldt, Allison Lubahn, and Scarlett Markey

Prayer over our 5th Graders:

P: Let us pray together,

C: Loving God, we pray today that in this sacrament you would give to these, your own, the reminder of your grace given to all. Wash away the sins that hurt their lives and the lives of others and replace their worries with confidence and hope in you. In Jesus’ Name we pray together, Amen.

The 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 Him thanks & praise.**

The Words of Institution

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.

The Meal & Hymns: *(you may be seated)*

All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine.

Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.

"Lord, Be Glorified" #744

Vs 1: In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in my life, Lord, be glorified today.

Vs 2: In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in our song, Lord, be glorified today.

Vs 3: In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in your church, Lord, be glorified today.

Vs 4: In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in your world, Lord, be glorified today.

"Change My Heart, O God" #801 2X

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

"This Little Light Of Mine"

Vs 1: This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine, This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine;
This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Vs 2: Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine;
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Vs 3: Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Communion Prayer:

P: Let us pray together,

C: 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.

Blessing: *(stand as you are able)*

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. May the Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. Amen.

Sending Hymn: "Go My Children With My Blessing"

Vs 1: Go, My children, with My blessing, never alone; Walking, sleeping, I am with you, you are My own.
In My love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever. Go, My children with My blessing, you are My own.

Vs 2: Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace & pure. Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure. Here you heard My dear Son's story, Here you touched Him, saw His glory. Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace & pure.

Vs 3: Go, My children, fed & nourished, closer to Me; Grow in love & love by serving, joyful & free. Here My Spirit's power filled you, here His tender comfort stilled you. Go, My children, fed & nourished, joyful & free.

Vs 4: I the Lord will bless & keep you & give you peace. I the Lord will smile upon you & give you peace. I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter & Brother. Go, My children, I will keep you & give you peace.

Dismissal: P: Go in peace to love the Lord & serve your neighbor, C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude



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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

First Quarter Financial Update: *by Scott Peterson*

The Easter Litany: *(please stand as you are able)*

P: Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

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.

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Faithful and Just God,

C: We confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives & make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Christ Jesus, our risen Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn: "Borning Cry" #779

Vs 1: I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

Vs 2: When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun."

Vs 3: In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise."

Vs 4: I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold."

Prayer of the Day: *(you may be seated)*

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

¹I love the Lord, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. ²Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live. ³The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came over me; I was overcome by distress and sorrow. ⁴Then I called on the name of the Lord: "Lord, save me!" ¹²What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?