

THE VIGIL OF EASTER
APRIL 4, 2026



Christ Lutheran Church

29 S. George Street, York, Pa. 17401

Our Mission:

Reflect God's love in the heart of York

Our Vision:

To be a vibrant congregation in the heart of York praising God,
connecting people to Christ,
and serving the people of York and the world

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Service of Light

The light of the risen Christ shatters the darkness of sin.

Weather permitting, the service begins in the courtyard.

Invitation to Vigil and Prayer

Blessing of the New Fire

Lighting of the Paschal Candle

The pastor traces the inscription on the candle.

P: Christ, yesterday and today,
The beginning and the end,

the Alpha

and Omega

All time belongs to Him

and all ages.

To Him be glory and power

through every age forever.

He traces the sign of the cross.

He traces the first letter of the Greek alphabet.

He traces the last letter of the Greek alphabet.

He traces the numeral "2"

He traces the numeral "0"

He traces the numeral "2"

He traces the numeral "6"

C: Amen.

The Pastor inserts five incense grains, representing the five wounds of Christ, into the candle.

P: By his holy + and glorious wounds + may Christ our Lord + guard + and keep us+.

C: Amen.

The pastor lights the paschal candle.

P: May all the darkness of our hearts and minds be dispelled by the light of Christ who rises this night in glory.

C: Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Bless we pray, O God, this lighted candle and those upon whom it may shine, that all who this night shall be partakers of your holy mysteries, may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction; that as we were at one time in darkness and are now light in the Lord, we may walk as children of light; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Procession of Light

All follow the Paschal candle, carried by the cantor, into the church. As the procession enters the church, the cantor stops and sings, facing the people:

(At the gates in the courtyard)

A: The light of Christ! **C: Thanks be to God!**

(At the entrance to the church)

A: The light of Christ! **C: Thanks be to God!**

(In the transept)

A: The light of Christ! **C: Thanks be to God!**

Exsultet

The cantor sings the ancient proclamation of Easter.

The people, holding their candles, remain standing.

A: Rejoice, now, all heavenly choirs of angels, and celebrate the divine mysteries with exultation; and, for the victory of so great a King, sound the trumpet of salvation.

Exult, also, O Earth, enlightened with such radiance; and, made brilliant by the splendor of the eternal King, know that the ancient darkness has been banished from all the world.

Be glad also, O Mother Church, clothed with the brightness of such a light, and let this house resound with the triumphant voices of the peoples.

Wherefore, dearly beloved, who stand in the clarity of this bright and holy light, join with me, I ask you, in praising the loving-kindness of almighty God; through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and rules with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

O night truly blessed which alone was worthy to know the time and the hour wherein Christ arose again from hell!

This is the night of which it is written: "and the night is as clear as the day"; and, "then shall my night be turned into day."

The holiness of this night puts to flight the deeds of wickedness; washes away sin; restores innocence to the fallen and joy to those who mourn; casts out hate; brings peace; and humbles earthly pride.

Therefore, in this night of grace, receive, O holy Father, this evening sacrifice of praise; which the Church lays before you in the solemn offering of the candle. We sing the glories of this pillar of fire, the brightness of which is not diminished, even when its light is divided and borrowed.

For it is fed by the melting wax which the bees, your servants, have made for the substance of this candle.

O night truly blessed in which heaven and earth are joined--things human and things divine.

We, therefore, pray to you, O Lord, that this candle, burning to the honor of your name, will continue to vanquish the darkness of this night and be mingled with the lights of heaven.

May he who is the morning star find it burning--that morning star which never sets, that morning star which, rising again from the grave, faithfully sheds light on all the human race.

And we pray, O Lord, rule, govern, and preserve with your continual protection your whole Church, giving us peace in this time of our paschal rejoicing; through the same Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



☐ A - men

*Please extinguish your hand-held candles.
All are seated for the Service of Readings.*

The selected readings tell the story of salvation history which form the identity of the Church.

**All stand at each invitation to pray.*

First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Prayer

Second Lesson: Genesis 22:1-18

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Prayer

Third Lesson: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: When Israel was in Egypt's Land (J.W. Work)

P: Prayer

Fourth Lesson: Isaiah 55:1-11

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Prayer

Fifth Lesson: Ezekiel 36:24-28

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: As the Deer Longs for Flowing Streams (B. Hurd)

P: Prayer

Sixth Lesson: Jonah 3:1-10

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Prayer

Seventh Lesson: Daniel 3:1-29

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Canticle:

All You Works of the Lord

Benedicite, omnia opera

(The canticle is sung antiphonally. The choir begins. All sing the verses in bold.)

A: All you works of the Lord, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
You angels of the Lord, | bless the Lord;
you heavens, | bless the Lord;

**C: all you powers of the Lord, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
You sun and moon, | bless the Lord;
you stars of heaven, | bless the Lord;**

A: you showers and dew, |bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify |Him forever.
You winds of God, |bless the Lord;
you fire and heat, |bless the Lord;

**C: you winter and summer, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
You dews and frost, | bless the Lord;
you frost and cold, | bless the Lord;**

A: you ice and snow, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
You nights and days, | bless the Lord;
you light and darkness, | bless the Lord;

**C: you lightnings and clouds, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
Let the earth | bless the Lord;
you mountains and hills, | bless the Lord;**

A: all you green things that grow on the earth, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
You wells and springs, | bless the Lord;
you rivers and seas, | bless the Lord;

**C: you whales and all who move in the waters, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
All you birds of the air, | bless the Lord;
all you beasts and cattle, | bless the Lord;**

A: all you children of mortals, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
You people of God, | bless the Lord;
you priests of the Lord, | bless the Lord;

**C: you servants of the Lord, | bless the Lord
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.
You spirits and souls of the righteous, | bless the Lord;
you pure and humble of heart, | bless the Lord;**

A: let us | bless the Father
and | the Son
and the | Holy Spirit
praise Him and magnify | Him forever.

The Service of Baptismal Renewal

Thanksgiving

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 him thanks and praise.

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. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters,
(The pastor breathes on the water in the form of a cross.)

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. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
(The pastor divides the water in the form of a cross.)

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

C: Amen.

(The pastor lowers the Paschal candle 3 times into the baptismal font.)

P: Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

C: I do.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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. Amen.

P: Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Hymn "Baptized in Water"

ELW 456



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust-ing his
tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Saward, b. 1932

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune

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At the conclusion of the Hymn, the nave lights are turned on and the chancel is prepared for the Holy Eucharist.

The singing of the Hymn of Praise, on the following page, follows the organ introduction.

The First Eucharist of the Resurrection

Hymn of Praise “All Creatures of our God and King”



1. All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voic - es,
2. Great rush - ing winds who are so strong, You clouds a - bove that
3. Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, Make mu - sic for your
4. Dear moth - er earth, who day by day Un - folds your bless-ings
5. All you with mer - cy in your heart, For - giv - ing oth - ers,
6. And e - ven you, most gen - tle death, Wait - ing to hush our
7. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, And wor-ship him in



1. let us sing: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing sun with
2. sail a - long, O _ praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing morn, with
3. Lord to hear, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Fire so in - tense and
4. on our way, O _ praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! All flow'rs and fruits that
5. take your part, O _ sing now! Al - le - lu - ia! All you that pain and
6. fi - nal breath, O _ praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back home the
7. hum - ble - ness, O _ praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the Fa - ther,



1. gold - en beams, Soft sil - ver moon that gent - ly gleams, O praise him!
2. praise re - joice, Stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice, O praise him!
3. fierce - ly bright, Who gives to us both warmth and light, O praise him!
4. in you grow, Let them his glo - ry al - so show: O praise him!
5. sor - row bear, Praise God, and cast on him your care: O praise him!
6. child of God, For Christ our Lord that way has trod: O praise him!
7. praise the Son, And praise the Spir - it, Three in One: O praise him!



- 1-7. O praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: LM with additions; St. Francis of Assisi, 1182–1226; *Laudato sia Dio mio Signore*;
tr. by William H. Draper, 1855–1933, alt. Music: *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Cologne, 1623.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ. Renew your church with the Spirit given us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth and may shine as a light in the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

New Testament Reading: Romans 6:3-11

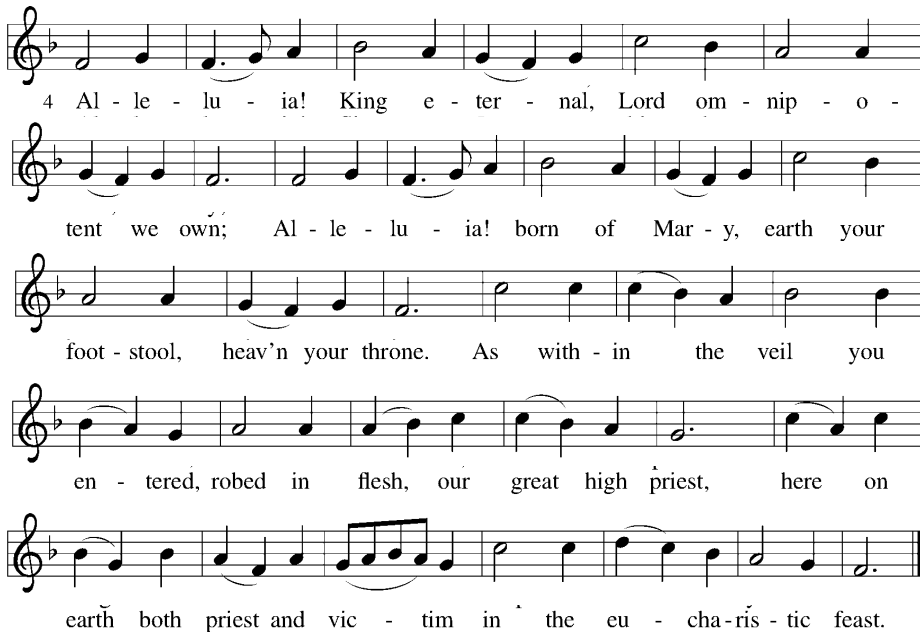
A: ³ Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

A: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

The musical score is written on four staves of a single treble clef in a 2/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The lyrics are: "1 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 vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus

Gradual



4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -
tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your
foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you
en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on
earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Litany of Thanksgiving

A: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: Who has loved us from all eternity:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: And remembered us when we were in trouble:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: And was made of flesh of the Virgin Mary and became man:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: Who by his cross and suffering has redeemed the world:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: And washed us from our sins in his own blood:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: Who on the third day rose from the dead:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: And has given us the victory:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: Who ascended on high:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: And opened wide for us the everlasting doors:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: Who is seated at the right hand of God:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: And ever lives to make intercession for us:

C: For his mercy endures forever.

A: Glory to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit:

C: As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

A: For the gift of his Spirit:

C: Blessed be Christ.

A: For the catholic Church:

C: Blessed be Christ.

A: For the means of grace:

C: Blessed be Christ.

A: For the hope of glory:

C: Blessed be Christ.

A: For the triumphs of his gospel:

C: Blessed be Christ.

A: For the lives of his saints:

C: Blessed be Christ.

A: In joy and in sorrow:

C: Blessed be Christ.

A: In life and in death:

C: Blessed be Christ.

A: Now and unto endless ages:

C: Blessed be Christ.

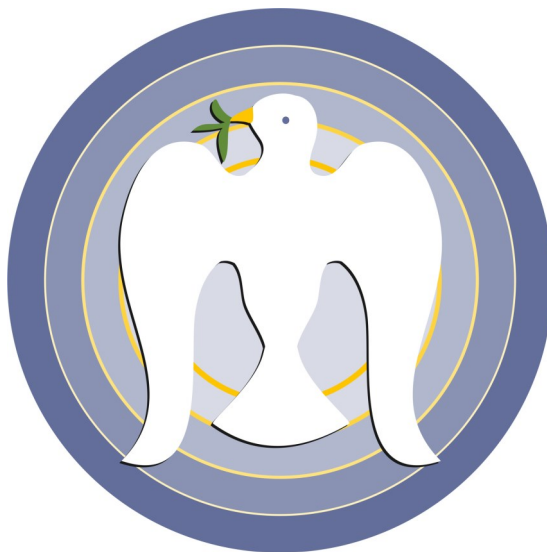
A: Blessing and honor and thanksgiving and praise, more than we can utter, more than we can conceive, be to you, O holy and glorious Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, by angels, all humanity, and all creatures, forever and ever.

C: Amen.

The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.



Offertory Hymn "Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded"

ACS 933



1 Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed, tell the news, the gos - pel
2 Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed, tell the news, the gos - pel



spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ
spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ



ris - en from the dead! Sing of the sun from dark - ness ap -
ris - en from the dead! Sing now of mourn - ing turned in - to



pear - ing; sing of the seed from bar - ren earth green - ing;
danc - ing; sing now the mys - t'ry, hope of our glo - ry;



sing of cre - a - tion, al - le - lu - ia! Sing of the
sing with thanks - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia! Sing now of



stream from Je - sus' side flow - ing; sing of the saints in
fast - ing turned in - to feast - ing; sing the Lord's fa - vor



wa - ter made ho - ly; sing of sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!
last - ing for - ev - er; sing, all things liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: IN DIR IST FREUDE, Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, 1556-1622

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Sung by congregation



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

A Let us pray...Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also 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.**

Preface and Sanctus

P: It is indeed right, our duty. . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn



Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

Lord's Prayer

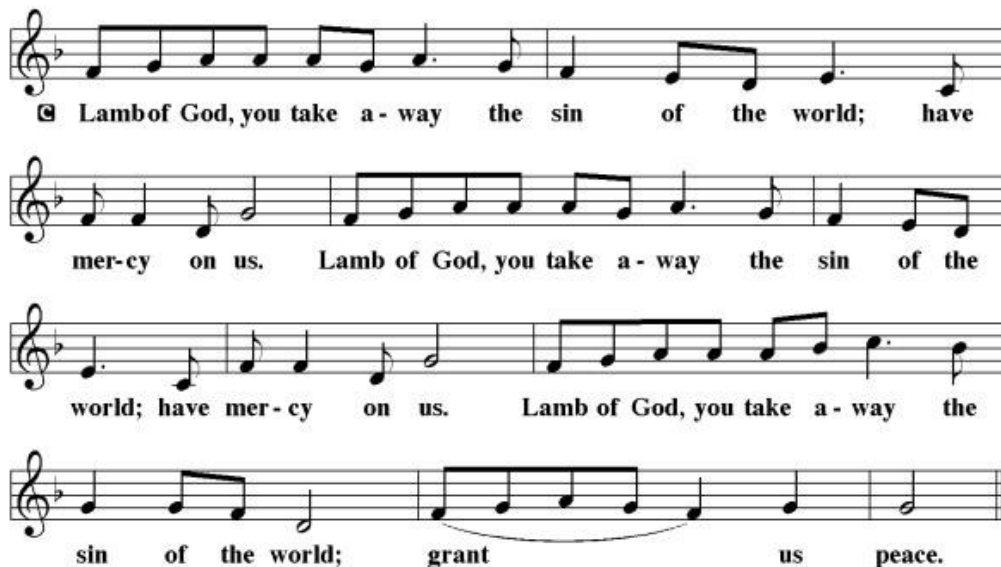
P: Joining with all those who, in every time and place, have turned to you, we pray as Christ himself taught us:

C: 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.

Fraction and Agnus Dei

P: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

C: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!



☪ 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.

All who are baptized are invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Approach the chancel rail by way of the side aisles, beginning in the rear of the nave. Dip the host in the first cup or drink from the common cup. Worshipers may stand or kneel at the chancel rail to receive the sacrament. Return to your pew by way of the center aisle. Gluten-free wafers are available.

Music during Distribution

“Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain”

ELW 363



1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst his pris - on,
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,
4 Nei - ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,
5 Al - le - lu - ia! now we cry to our Lord im - mor - tal,



God has brought forth Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness,
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has ris - en.
with the roy - al feast of feasts comes its joy to ren - der;
nor the watch - ers, nor the seal, hold you as a mor - tal:
who tri - um - phant burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal;



loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;
All the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing
comes to glad Jer - u - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion
but to - day, a - mong your own, you ap - pear, be - stow - ing
Al - le - lu - ia! with the Son God the Fa - ther prais - ing;



led them with un-moist-ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.
from the Light to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.
wel - comes in un - wea - ried strain Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!
your deep peace, which ev - er - more pass - es hu - man know - ing.
Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain to the Spir - it rais - ing.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: GAUDEAMUS PARITER, Johann Horn, 1490–1547



- 1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,
- 2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,
- 3 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat-ed at the heav'n - ly board,
- 4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;



for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
in the world to which you send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

Text: Louis F. Benson, 1855–1930, alt.

Music: OMNI DIE, *Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch*, Nürnberg, 1631

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Post-Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray...Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

C: Amen.

Benediction

P: Almighty God, Father + Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



- 1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic - tor's
- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le - gions
- 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
- 4 Christ closed the yaw - ing gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound-ed you, from death's sting free your



tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
 ser - vants too, that we may live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: *Symphonia Sirenun*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909

Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Postlude

Resurrection

(A. Darr)



Serving during worship

Cantor	Michelle Duggan
Assisting Ministers	Marc Gross Lynn Myers
Acolytes	Alexa Sheaffer Caylee Sheaffer
Readers	Marc Gross, Paul Schendel, Judy Garber, Ed Garber, Lynn Keller, Cindy Cooley, Terry Hoover
Lower Narthex	Terry Hoover
Back Door	Dave Barkdoll
Altar Guild	Ursula Gross, Linda Kenee, Lynn Keller, Terry Hoover
Ushers	Rick Smith, Adrienne Brenner, Phil Shepp, Andy Waltersdorf, Tom and Lynn Keller



Please join us for a reception, prepared by the Fellowship Committee, in the Lower Narthex.



Join us for the Resurrection of Our Lord tomorrow
with a festive choral Eucharist at 10:00am.

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Welcome!

So we can know you better, please complete an attendance card found in the pew and place it in an offering plate. If you have no church home, we invite you to membership at Christ Lutheran Church. We hope you return to worship and participate in our life in Christ!

The Liturgy

Our worship is the historic liturgy of the Christian Church - a celebration of Word and Sacrament, the means through which God gives forgiveness, life and salvation. The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated in accordance with the understanding of the Lutheran Confessions that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Blessed Sacrament.

Worship resources are found in the pews. The "Lutheran Book of Worship" (noted LBW inside the bulletin) is the green hardback hymnal. The "With One Voice" (noted WOV inside the bulletin) is the blue softback hymnal. The "Evangelical Lutheran Worship" (noted ELW inside the bulletin) is the red hardback hymnal.

Children are always welcome at worship!

We value the participation of our children in worship! As members of the church, children participate in the worship service. They listen to God's Word, gather at the Lord's table, serve as readers, acolytes, choir members, and more. Feel free to take children in and out as necessary.

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Founded in 1733 with the baptism of Maria Catharina Beyer, Christ Church was the first Lutheran congregation west of the Susquehanna River. Christ Church remains an active and vibrant congregation carrying on the mission of Christ and approaches the future with confidence and hope. Christ Church strives to minister in faithfulness to Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions. Its ministry centers in the weekly liturgy of Word and Sacrament and pursues particular Lutheran emphases in art and music, fellowship, education, and pastoral care. Three buildings have been used for worship. A log building was erected in 1744; a stone building replaced it in 1760. Two bells from the 1760 stone building still call people to worship in the present building, built in 1812. Three Lutheran congregations in York are descendants of Christ Church.