

Augustana Lutheran Church (ELCA)

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Rev. Dr. W. J. Mark Knutson

April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

“Concerto in A Minor”

Vivaldi/Bach

Welcome

Opening Hymn

"Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

ELW 389

Verse 1

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing,
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

suffers still, yet loves the more,
And lives, where even hope has died.

Verse 2

Christ is alive! No longer bound
To distant years in Palestine,
But saving, healing, here and now
And touching ev'ry place and time.

Verse 4

Women and men, in age and youth,
Can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
And find the way, the life, the truth
Revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

Verse 3

In ev'ry insult, rift, and war,
Where color, scorn, or wealth divide, Christ

Verse 5

Christ is alive, and comes to bring
Good news to this and ev'ry age,
Till earth and sky and ocean ring
With joy, with justice, love, and praise.

Apostolic Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Calls to Worship

Be with Us, Great Spirit

Leader: We are your children.

People: We have heard you in the winds, seen you in the sunrise;
We have felt your kindness in the seasons.

Leader: Great Spirit, we know you! We hear you speak!

People: We know this very moment you are near to us as the air surrounds us
and fills our lungs with life.

Leader: Be with us, Great Spirit. Show us the way you would have us go!

From *Family Prayer* by Sister Kevin Marie Flynn. Used by permission.

We Are All Related

Leader: We share our stories.
People: **Each of us brings a unique story and gifts from the Creator.**
Leader: Our stories are about journeys of faith.
People: **We walk a path of righteousness.**
Leader: We share our path with all creation.
People: **We are all related.**

From Eastern Cherokee prayer tradition by Z. Susanne Aikman (Eastern Cherokee) @ 1992

Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

Pastor: We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.

We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.

Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life.

To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

Amen.

Kyrie ELW p. 138

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the

unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **All: Amen.**

P: Let us pray together the prayer of the day:

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Solo

“Panis Angelicus”

C. Franck

Elizabeth Wilson, soprano

"Bread of Angels...O thing miraculous. The body of the Lord nourishes the poor and the humble."

First Lesson Acts 3:12-19

Psalm 4

Second Lesson 1 John 3:1-7

Mission Moment

Children’s Time

The Reading of the Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

Gospel Acclamation (All)

Alleluia. Our hearts burn within us while you
open to us the scriptures. *Alleluia.* (Luke 24:32)

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Leader: (*reads the gospel*)
Leader: The gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn “Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises” ELW 535

<p><i>Refrain (sing twice)</i> Hallelujah! We sing your praises, All our hearts are filled with gladness. Hallelujah! We sing your praises, All our hearts are filled with gladness.</p> <p>Verse 1 (<i>sing twice</i>) Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread, I am wine, I am bread, Give to all who thirst and hunger. <i>Refrain</i></p>	<p>Verse 2 (<i>sing twice</i>) Now he sends us all out, Strong in faith, free of doubt, Strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel. <i>Refrain</i></p>
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Sermon “The Heavens Are Singing the Glory of God” Rev. Dr. W. J. Mark Knutson

Hymn of the Day “The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done” Choir & Congregation ELW 366

<p>Verse 1 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! The strife is o’er, the battle done; Now is the victor’s triumph won! Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!</p> <p>Verse 2 The pow’rs of death have done their worst; Jesus their legions has dispersed. Let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!</p>	<p>Verse 3 The three sad days have quickly sped, Christ rises glorious from the dead. All glory to our risen head! Alleluia!</p> <p>Verse 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded you, From death’s sting free your servants too, That we may live and sing to you. Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</p>
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Apostles' Creed

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

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.

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.

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer

Lord's Prayer

Sharing of the Peace

Benediction

Recessional Hymn

"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!"

ELW 377

Verse 1

Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

Refrain

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

Verse 2

Walking the way, Christ in the center
Telling the story to open our eyes;
Breaking our bread, giving us glory:
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise.

Refrain

Verse 3

Jesus the vine, we are the branches;
Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;
Heaven to earth, Christ to the people,
Gift of the future now flowing to me.

Refrain

Verse 4

Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent:
Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.
Cherubim sing: O grave, be open!
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light.

Refrain

Verse 5

City of God, Easter forever,
Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
River of life, saints and archangels,
Sing with creation to God the I AM!

Refrain

Go in peace; serve the Lord!

Postlude

“Alleluia, Alleluia”

J. S. Bach

Ringling of the Peace Bell

Lighting of candles and reciting of prayer list

10:00 a.m. service Musicians and choir members may include: Dr. Walter Krueger, Marilyn Keller, Lisa Joy Switalla, Ruth Krueger; Alison Embler-Brown

11:30 Spanish language Service with leaders/musicians Francisco Aguirre, Oscar Amaya, Elvio Gonzalez, Jackeline Luna, Dora Reyna, Aranza and Miranda Aguirre

Assisting Ministers: Francisco Aguirre, Andrea Robideau

Livestream/Tech Crew (rotating): Ben Joy, Dave Schmidt, Jenny Schmidt, Lane Johnson, Andy Fort, Jon Jensen, Francisco Aguirre, Marilyn Keller, Glen Jacobs, Terri Svetich, Ken Petersen, Andrew Kindschuh, Mark Wells, Nate Fort, Joe Paterno, Katelyn Haslebacher, Keri Haslebacher, Brandon Knutson (remote), Ayn Frazee (remote), Rev. Tom Campbell-Schmitt (remote), Tamrah Knutson (remote), Rick Gordon (advisor); Rebecca Dodson (webpage); Mark Knutson (advisor)

Bell ringer, Property, Tellers: Ansel Johnson, Glen Jacobs, Judy Embler

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