

LARGE PRINT EDITION



HOLY COMMUNION

Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday

April 14, 2024 + 9:30 am

Eating with the risen Christ

Learn Live and Share God's Word

With Christ our captain we need not fear the waters

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Lord's day. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures: the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

GATHERING

The disciples urged Jesus strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over."

So he went in to stay with them.

PRELUDE

"Welcome Happy Morning"

arr. Franklin Ritter

At the sound of the bell please stand and face the worship leaders.

EASTER PROCLAMATION

(repeated 3 times)

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

(hymn) ELW 361

“The Day of Resurrection”

stanzas 1, 3, 4

- 1 The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,
the passover of gladness, the passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from sin's dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.**
- 3 Now let the heav'ns be joyful, let earth its song begin,
the round world keep high triumph and all that is therein.
Let all things, seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend;
for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end!**
- 4 All praise to God the Father, all praise to Christ the Son,
all praise to God the Spirit, eternal Three in One!
Let all the ransomed number fall down before the throne,
and honor, pow'r, and glory ascribe to God alone!**

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

GREETING

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

C And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE TO THE RISEN CHRIST *setting 3, ELW p. 140*

“This Is the Feast”

REFRAIN:

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set
us free to be people of God. *REFRAIN***

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and
glory are his. *REFRAIN***

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. REFRAIN

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. REFRAIN

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

The presider continues with words of welcome.

WORD

Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, Jesus interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

CHILDREN'S WORD

Children are invited forward; parents are welcome to come with their children.

READING FROM THE EARLY CHURCH

Health and forgiveness through Jesus

Acts 3:12–19

After healing a crippled man, Peter preaches to the people how God's promises to Israel have been fulfilled in Jesus. Through the proclamation of Christ's death and resurrection, God is offering them forgiveness and restoration in Jesus' name.

Luke writes:

[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

... Word of God, Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

The LORD does wonders for the faithful. (4:3)

Psalm 4 ICEL

A Answer when I call, faithful God.

**C You cleared away my trouble;
be good to me, listen to my prayer.**

A How long, proud fools, will you insult my honor,
loving lies and chasing shadows?

C Look! God astounds believers,

the Lord listens when I call.

A Tremble, but do not despair.

Attend to your heart, be calm through the night,

**C worship with integrity,
trust in the Lord.**

A Cynics ask, “Who will bless us? Even God has tuned away.”

C You give my heart more joy than all their grain and wine.

A I sleep secure at night, you keep me in your care.

**C Give praise to the Father Almighty;
to the Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord;
to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts;
both now and forever. Amen.**

SECOND READING

The revealing of the children of God

1 John 3:1–7

God has loved us in order to make us children of God. Though we do not yet know the full details of our future existence, we trust that God will reveal it just as God revealed

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.

⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

... Word of God, Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & PROCESSION

tune: ELW 386

The assembly stands and welcomes the gospel, singing:

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus gave his life for us, Rose from death victorious.

We are his witness to all of these things. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL

Eating with the risen Christ

Luke 24:36b–48

In this account of an appearance after his resurrection, Jesus opens the minds of the disciples to understand him as Messiah. Jesus convinces them that he has been raised and sends them on a mission to proclaim the message of repentance and forgiveness.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead

on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ!

The refrain is repeated as the procession reverses. tune: ELW 386

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

(hymn) ELW 522

“As We Gather at Your Table”

- 1 As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence;
let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet
how to make Love's vict'ry known.**
- 2 Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you,
bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.**
- 3 Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast
where triumphant Love will welcome
those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us
nor will pride our peace destroy,
as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.**

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NICENE CREED

A With the whole church, let us proclaim our Easter faith.

C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Prayers are offered for the Church, the earth, the nations, and those in any need.
each petition concludes:*

God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

MEAL

*When Jesus was at the table with them, he took bread,
blessed and broke it and gave it to them.
Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him.*

PEACE

P The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

The assembly is invited to share the peace of Christ with one another.

OFFERING

*When bread and wine are broken and shared in the Lord's Supper an offering is
gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
Please leave your offerings in the baskets in the aisles or give online. During
this time, the table is set. Please stand as the offering procession reaches the
chancel. Thank you for your generosity.*

"Day of Arising"

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray together.

**C Risen Christ, receive these gifts,
with our hopes, dreams, and prayers.
Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread,
that our eyes may be opened
to see your presence among us,
and our lives filled with the new life of your resurrection.
Amen.**

The assisting minister pours out the wine.

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 our thanks and praise.

P ...and join their unending hymn: *(setting 3, p. 144)*

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heav'n and earth are
full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.**

The presider continues with the Great Thanksgiving:

P ...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

P ...in your holy church, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer (1789)

C Our Father who art 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.

Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to Communion

Communion

"Lamb of God"

setting10; ELW page 208

C O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of the world away;
you suffered death our lives to save;
have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of the world away;
you set us free from guilt and grave;
have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of the world away;
eternal peace with God you made;
give us your peace, we pray.

silence for reflection concludes the communion

Prayer after Communion

A Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of
salvation you have united us with Christ,

making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

*That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem.
They told what had happened on the road and
how he had been made to known to them in the breaking of the bread.*

SENDING DIALOG

A We have heard the holy and saving gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **We have celebrated with joy the Easter mysteries.**

A We have been nurtured at the holy table and baptized into the priesthood of Christ.

C **We offer ourselves now to the Lord of all creation in thanksgiving for all that God has done for us.**

P Go out from this Easter assembly to proclaim the mighty works of the Lord.

C **Let us bear God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

BENEDICTION

P May the risen Christ bring you all joy and peace in believing,

that you may abound in hope. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

(*hymn*) ELW 391

“This Joyful Eastertide”

- 1 This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow.**

Refrain

**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, arisen.**

- 2 My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber
till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.**

Refrain

- 3 Death's flood has lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river.
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver. *Refrain***

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848-1934

DISMISSAL

A Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“This Joyful Eastertide”

arr. K. Langlois

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SERVING TODAY

Pastor Foy Christopherson, *presiding*

Trina Benedict, *assisting minister*

Leona Olson, *reader*

Youth *crucifer, butterfly banner; bell trees*

Ruth Bills, *director of music & worship*

Chancel Choir

Dave Larson, Julie Larson, *technology desk*

Janell Partyka, *sacristan/altar guild*

Al Erickson, Patrick Kutzer, *ushers*

Doug Jones, *bus ministry*

Karen Moeller, Labandz family *coffee hosts*

Chancel flowers this weekend are given by Adam and Jessica Walz
in memory of Judy Schumacher (mother).

If you wish to donate flowers sign up in the narthex or call the church office.

This service is being streamed live on the internet.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Contact the coordinator below to volunteer to accomplish these projects:

Lean Mean Body of Christ Machine

SIMPLIFY RE-CENTER OPEN UP

Becoming more nimble & flexible week by week

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OPPORTUNITY	COORDINATOR	DUE
Volunteer coverage	Steve P	During his vacation
Salty Carmel teams	Pastor C	Sign up in narthex
Finance team	Karen Moeller	
Feed My Starving Children food packing	Audrey Erickson	Friday, April 12
Dramatized 1 st reading – 2 readers	Pastor C/Ruth	Sunday, April 28 Ethiopian diplomat

Dramatized 1 st reading – 3 readers	Pastor C/Ruth	Sunday, May 12 Ascension
“Dust the wallpaper”	Steve: spring cleaning	pick a room, any room
Spring cleaning day		May 4 am
FMSC Pack at the Park	Audrey Erickson	
Roadside cleanup	Better Together	April 21, Earth day

Becoming the Story We Tell

WORSHIP LIFE

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WELCOME

Everyone is welcome. We are a faith community participating in the life of God, a life that is a gift to us and in which we are actively engaged. That gift compels us to be actively engaged in the neighborhoods of Northeast Minneapolis as well. We are a multigenerational community that proudly celebrates our history while joining together with younger generations to follow where God is leading. We build our community through faith practices like prayer, dwelling in the Word and hospitality.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. If you would like more information about Mt. Carmel, please contact us at 612-781-2796, or email pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org

Children are welcome at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available outside the sanctuary.

Welcome to the Lord’s Table. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome at the Lord’s Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to you where you are seated if you require accessibility accommodation. Please inform the ushers. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. White grape juice is available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

Welcome to the Holy Baptism. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome to receive Holy Baptism. Please visit with any worship leader, staff member, hospitality volunteer, contact the church office, or complete an information card, indicating that you wish to be baptized. Our pastor will contact you.

Friends of Mt. Carmel...Stay connected

Across the country and beyond there are many people who have a soft spot in their heart for Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church – people who feel a connection both to the history and the ongoing mission of this congregation. If you're one of them, we invite you to join a new network of Friends of Mt. Carmel. Email pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org for more information or to join.



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