

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Prelude

Halle Halle Halle-lujah

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, Creator, Christ, and Holy Comforter, one God, whose rising from the empty tomb brings to us the promise of life eternal.

Amen.

In the presence of the living God,

We confess that we set our minds towards things of death, and not on the life that is revealed to us in Jesus Christ. In our fear and trembling we quickly turn from you towards ourselves. Our fear leads us to doubt your promise, harm our neighbor, and neglect your creation. Resurrect us, O God, and bring about your new life in ourselves, in our community, and in our world. Through the mercy of your beloved Son, heal us from our sin, and give us the new breath of your Spirit.

Amen.

Dear Friends, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ proclaims, "Do not be afraid!" Know that your sins are forgiven and you are washed anew in his rising. Be at peace, and live in the everlasting love of God.

Amen.

Opening Hymn

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!

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

Chorus:

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

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. (*Chorus*)

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. (*Chorus*)

Invocation

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

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

Refrain:

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, every day.

1. For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*
2. That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor,
That we may live out truth and justice and grace,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*
3. For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family.
For life and for love, for our work and our play,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*

Prayer of the Day

Holy Lord, your followers gave to your children something more powerful and more valuable than riches. They gave healing and hope. Bring healing and hope into our world and show us evidence of your presence in our lives. **Amen.**

Reading

Acts 3:1-10

Peter Heals

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. But Peter said, "I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk." And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. All the people saw him walking and praising God, and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Message

Hymn of the Day

He Leadeth Me

1. He leadeth me, O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:

He leadeth me, he leadeth me,
By his own hand he leadeth me,
His faithful follower I would be,
For by his hand he leadeth me.

2. Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. *(Refrain)*
3. Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur or repine,
Content whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. *(Refrain)*

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.

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

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Offertory Response

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

Take, oh, take me as I am, summon out what I shall be,
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Closing Prayer

Good and Gracious God, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of Life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your faithful people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The 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.

Benediction

May Almighty God, Creator, Christ, and Comforter, keep you in God's light, God's truth, and God's love, now and forever.
Amen.

Closing Hymn***Give to Our God Immortal Praise***

Give to our God immortal praise! Mercy and truth are all His ways.
Wonders of grace to God belong, repeat his mercies in your song.

He sent his Son with pow'r to save from guilt and darkness and the grave,
Wonders of grace to God belong, repeat his mercies in your song.

Give to the Lord of Lords renown, the King of Kings with glory crown,
His mercies ever shall endure when lords and kings are known no more.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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In Our Prayers this Week:

*Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for four weeks
unless a longer duration is requested through the church office.*

Jim Morrow, Stella Halvorson, Leon Fritzke, Dick Erickson,
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