

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF  
**EASTER**

MAY 15, 2022

11:00 A.M.

*Confirmation Sunday*



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## Pre-Service Music

## "I'll A Servant Be"

### Verse 1

Oh servant King  
You rule and reign  
From heaven's throne  
And yet You came  
To serve a broken world

### Verse 2

I want to know  
This kind of love  
This kind of grace  
Lord guide my steps  
And I'll a servant be

### Verse 3

I'll take my cross  
And walk the path  
Your feet have trod  
To know Your ways  
I'll a servant be

### (BRIDGE)

And though You bless beyond all measure  
And satisfy my weary soul  
I simply want to be like Jesus  
To be a servant in this world

### *Chorus 1*

*To live within Your kingdom  
Knowing that the great are least  
I'm walking as a humble pilgrim  
I'll a servant be*

## Opening Song

## "Blessed Be Your Name"

### Verse 1

Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name

### *(Pre-Chorus)*

*Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in Lord  
still I will say*

### Verse 2

Blessed be Your name  
when I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name

### *Chorus 1*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name*

Verse 3

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be Your name

Verse 4

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name

*(Bridge)*

*You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord blessed be Your name*

**Invocation** *Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

**Easter Acclamation**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**Catechetical Sentences**

*According to the Ten Commandments*

P Lord Almighty, through the exhortation of James, we are commanded to confess our sins and pray for one another in order that we may be healed. With David, we rely on your abundant mercy to blot out our transgressions and to wash us thoroughly from our iniquities. With those disciples, we come before you in confession praying that you breathe upon us the Holy Spirit and forgive the sins of many. For you are slow to fulfill your promises. Hear us, Lord, as we lay bare our hearts before you.

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have had other gods in our lives...  
C **and for the times we have trusted in things other than You, forgive us...**  
P For the times we have misused the name of the Lord...

- C **and for the times we have failed to call upon You in prayer, forgive us...**  
 P For the times we have forgotten the Sabbath day...
- C **and for the times we have despised the preaching of Your Word, forgive us...**  
 P For the times we have not honored father or mother...
- C **and for the times we have trusted in things other than You, forgive us...**  
 P For the times we have misused the name of the Lord...
- C **and for the times we have failed to respect others in authority, forgive us...**  
 P For the times we have murdered...
- C **by hurting people in thought, word and deed, forgive us...**  
 P For the times we have committed adultery...
- C **with thoughts and actions unbecoming to Your design for love and marriage, forgive us...**  
 P For the times we have stolen...
- C **and for the times we have acted dishonestly, forgive us...**  
 P For the times we have given false testimony...
- C **and for the times we have hurt someone's good name, forgive us...**  
 P For the times we have coveted our neighbors' possessions or family members...
- C **and for the times we have tried to acquire things not belonging to us, forgive us...**

### **Absolution & The Office of the Keys**

- P Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord, Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

### **Catechetical Sentences**

*Martin Luther's Small Catechism*

- P We celebrate this day our belief in the Triune God and profess our faith in our Lord.

### **THE CREATOR**

- P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?  
 C **Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P What does this mean?

C **I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.**

P Whoever keeps His commandments abides in God, and God in him.

C **And by this we know that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He has given us.**

## Song

## “Indescribable”

### Verse 1

From the highest of heights  
To the depths of the sea  
Creation's revealing Your majesty  
From the colors of Fall  
To the fragrance of Spring  
Ev'ry creature unique  
In the song that it sings  
All exclaiming

### Verse 2

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt  
Where it should go  
Or seen heavenly storehouses  
Laden with snow  
Who imagined the sun  
And gives source to its light  
Yet conceals it to bring us  
The coolness of night  
None can fathom

### *Chorus 1*

*Indescribable uncontainable  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name  
You are amazing God  
All powerful untamable  
Awestruck we fall to our knees  
As we humbly proclaim  
You are amazing God*

## Scripture Reading

**Psalm 139** vs. 1-4, 7-10, 13-18, 23-24

O LORD , you have searched me and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O LORD...

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast...

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand. When I awake, I am still with you...

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

## THE REDEEMER

### Catechetical Sentences

- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ?
- C **Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**
- P What does this mean?
- C **I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who**

**has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.**

## **Song**

### **"In Christ Alone"**

#### Verse 1

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

#### Verse 2

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fulness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

#### Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

#### Verse 4

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

## **Scripture Reading**

### **Philippians 2:5–11**

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in

the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

### THE SANCTIFIER

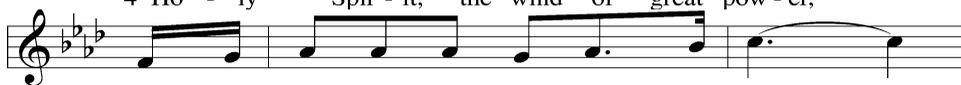
#### Catechetical Sentences

- P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- C **Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**
- P What does this mean?
- C **I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.**

#### Hymn "Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven" *LSB 502 sts. 1-4*



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, the dove sent from heav - en,  
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, the fire — ce - les - tial,  
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, the unc - tion of bless - ing,  
 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, the wind of great pow - er,



Ev - er one with the One who is Three,  
 Who on Pen - te - cost came as fore - told,  
 Sa - cred oil of the green ol - ive tree,  
 Source of strength and of peace and of love,

From the Fa - ther You came, Words of peace to pro-claim,  
 To de - scend from on high And the Church oc - cu - py  
 Giv - ing heat, giv - ing light, As the tent lamps ig - nite  
 Tru - est Com - fort - er, plead, As You bring all our need

Come and com - fort us, speak ten - der - ly.  
 As the cloud filled the tem - ple of old;  
 And as Aar - on praised God joy - ful - ly.  
 To the throne of God's glo - ry a - bove.

You, the fra - grance of life we are seek - ing;  
 All the bap - tized You seal with Your prom - ise,  
 Bless - ed liv - ing and life - giv - ing wa - ter,  
 Be the light that en - light - ens the Scrip - tures;

Fill Your tem - ple, Your al - tar make clean.  
 All be - liev - ers Your gift there re - ceive,  
 Now pre - serve us from e - vil with - in;  
 Keep our feet from each dev - il - ish snare;

Joy - ous shel - ter of love, Gra - cious friend from a - bove,  
 So that all the e - lect— All in Christ—may ex - pect  
 For in Je - sus, God's Son, All be - liev - ers are one  
 On - ly You can make whole All that trou - bles our soul;

In Your care we are rest - ing, se - rene.  
 To en - joy what by grace they be - lieve.  
 In this wash - ing that cleans - es from sin.  
 By Your chris - m, Christ's tri - umph we share.

**Holy Gospel**

**John 16:5–15**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

C  Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

“But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C  Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,**

**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body, and the life  $\times$  everlasting. Amen.**

## Children's Message

### Sermon Song

### "Hear the Call of the Kingdom"

Verse 1

Hear the call of the kingdom  
Lift your eyes to the King  
Let His song rise within you  
As a fragrant offering  
Of how God rich in mercy  
Came in Christ to redeem  
All who trust in His unfailing grace

*(Chorus)*

*King of Heaven we will answer the call  
We will follow bringing hope to the world  
Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim  
Salvation in Jesus' name*

Verse 2

Hear the call of the Kingdom  
To be children of light  
With the mercy of heaven  
The humility of Christ  
Walking justly before Him  
Loving all that is right  
That the life of Christ may shine through us

Verse 3

Hear the call of the Kingdom  
To reach out to the lost  
With the Father's compassion  
In the wonder of the cross  
Bringing peace and forgiveness  
And a hope yet to come  
Let the nations put their trust in Him

### Sermon

### "Heavy is the Crown"

*based on Psalm 139:16*

Rev. Jakob Andrzejewski, Senior Pastor

### Easter Offertory

### "He Is Arisen! Glorious Word"

*LSB 488*



He is a - ris - en! Glo - rious Word! Now rec - on - ciled



is God, my Lord; The gates of heav'n are o - pen.



My Je - sus did tri - um - phant die, And Sa - tan's ar -

rows bro - ken lie, De - stroyed hell's fierc - est weap - on.

O hear what cheer! Christ vic - to - rious, Ris - ing glo - rious,

Life is giv - ing. He was dead but now is liv - ing!

### Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

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### Prayer of the Church

#### Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

**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.**

### Easter Acclamation

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## **Benediction** *Numbers 6:24–26*

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

## **Closing Song**

### **“Lead On, O King Eternal”**

#### Verse 1

Lead on, O King eternal, The day of march has come;  
Henceforth in fields of conquest, Thy tents shall be our home.  
Through days of preparation, Thy grace has made us strong;  
And now, O King eternal, We lift our battle song.

#### Verse 2

Lead on, O King eternal, Till sin’s fierce war shall cease,  
And holiness shall whisper, The sweet amen of peace.  
For not with swords’ loud clashing, Nor roll of stirring drums;  
With deeds of love and mercy, The heavenly kingdom comes.

#### *Chorus*

*Lead on, O King; Lead on, O King; Lead on, O King, Lead on*

#### Verse 3

Lead on, O King eternal, We follow, not with fears,  
For gladness breaks like morning, Where’er Thy face appears.  
Thy cross is lifted over us, We journey in its light;  
The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might. Chorus 2x

#### **Serving us in Worship**

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