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## Prelude

## Opening Hymn

### "Christ the Eternal Lord"

LSB 829



1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, Whose prom - ise here we claim,  
2 Christ the un - chang - ing Word To ev - 'ry pass - ing age,  
3 Christ the re - deem - ing Son, Who shares our hu - man birth,  
4 Christ the un - fad - ing Light Of ev - er - last - ing day,  
5 Christ the as - cend - ed King Ex - alt - ed high a - bove,



Whose gifts of grace are free - ly poured On all who name Your name;  
Whose time - less teach - ings still are heard Set forth on Scrip - ture's page;  
And by His death sal - va - tion won For ev - 'ry child of earth;  
Our Morn - ing Star in splen - dor bright, The Life, the Truth, the Way;  
Whose praise un - end - ing a - ges sing, Whom yet un - seen we love;



With thank - ful - ness and praise We stand be - fore Your throne,  
Trans - form our thought and mind, En - light - en all who read,  
In - spire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love a - broad,  
That light of truth You give To ser - vants as to friends,  
When mor - tal life is past Your voice from heav - en's throne



In - tent to serve You all our days And make Your glo - ry known.  
With - in Your Word by faith to find The bread of life in - deed.  
That all may hon - or Christ to - day And fol - low Him as Lord.  
Your way to walk, Your life to live, Till earth's brief jour - ney ends.  
Shall call Your chil - dren home at last To know as we are known.

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

**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!**

## Opening Sentences

**P** Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? (*1 Cor. 3:16*)

**C** **For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.** (*1 Cor. 12:13*)

**P** For all who are led by the Spirit of God

**C** **are called sons of God.** (*Rom. 8:14*)

**P** And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying,

**C** **"Abba! Father!"** (*Gal. 4:6*)

**P** May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,

**C** **so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.** (*Rom. 15:13*)

## Confession and Absolution

**P** "Repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in [my] name to all nations." (Lk 24:47) Dear brothers and sisters, let us repent from our sins...

**C** **For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.**

**P** I am spent and utterly crushed;

**C** **I groan because of the tumult of my heart.** (Ps. 38:4, 8)

**P** Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing;

**C** **heal me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled.**

**P** Turn, O Lord, deliver my life;

**C** **save me for the sake of your steadfast love.** (Ps. 6:2-3)

**P** In the midst of our sins, the Gospel of Christ promises love and forgiveness. Let these words uplift, sustain, and give life. Have peace with God. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I, a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## Introit

*Psalm 98:1, 8-9*

**L** Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!\*

**C** **His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.**

**L** Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together be- | fore the LORD,\*

**C** for he comes to | judge the earth.

**L** He will judge the world with | righteousness,\*

**C** and the peoples with | equity.

### Gloria Patri

LSB 186

**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

### Kyrie

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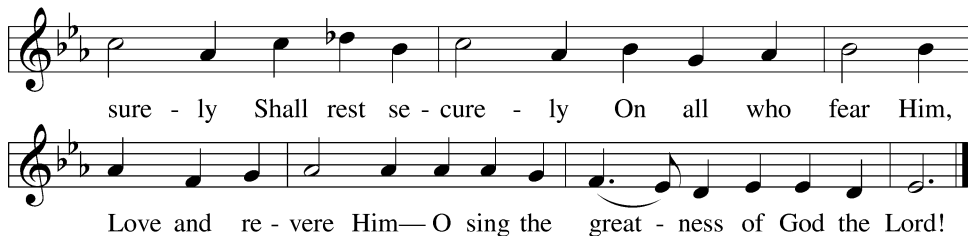
**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### Hymn of Praise

"My Soul Rejoices"

LSB 933

1 My soul re - joic - es, My spir - it voic - es— Sing the  
great - ness of the Lord! For God my Sav - ior Has shown me  
fa - vor— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! With praise and  
bless - ing, Join in con - fess - ing God, who is sole - ly Might - y and  
ho - ly— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! His mer - cy



### **Salutation**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

### **Collect of the Day**

**P** Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### **First Reading**

*Acts 10:34–48*

Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, "Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy

Spirit just as we have?" And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle**

*1 John 5:1–8*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

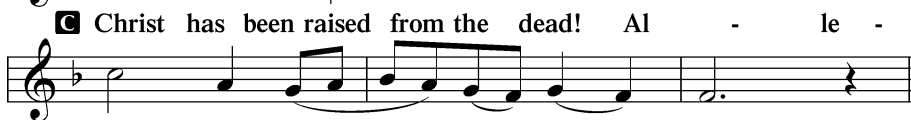
This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **New Testament Canticle**

*LSB 266*



**C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

### **Holy Gospel**

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



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's

commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

### **Concord Confession**

*Large Catechism: Third Article of the Apostle's Creed*

**P** Learn this article [of the Holy Spirit] as clearly as possible. If someone asks, What do you mean by the words "I believe in the Holy Spirit"? you can answer...

**C** **"I believe that the Holy Spirit makes me holy, as his name states.**

**P** How does he do this?

**C** **Through the Christian church, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting."**

**P** I believe that there is on earth a holy little flock and community of pure saints under one head, Christ.

**C** **It is called together by the Holy Spirit in one faith, mind, and understanding.**

**P** Therefore, we believe in him who does such great things:

**C** **that he brings us into this community through the Word, and imparts, increases, and strengthens faith through the same Word and the forgiveness of sins.**

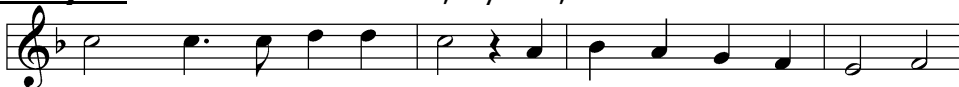
### **Children Message**

*-Children of all ages are welcome to approach the altar at this point-*

**Sermon Hymn**

**"The Lord, My God, Be Praised"**

LSB 794



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;  
 2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,  
 3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,  
 △ 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;  
 The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,  
 The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.  
 To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day  
 Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood  
 His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,  
 The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.  
 And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.  
 Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.  
 God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

**Sermon**

**"That He May Give it to You"**

John 15:9-17

*Vicar-elect Henry Eising*

*Our Savior Lutheran Church, Raleigh, North Carolina*

**Easter Offertory**

**"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia"**

LSB 463



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Chris - tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris - tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 All your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!





Of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



At the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Now He lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

### **Gathering of Tithes and Offerings**

*To continue the work of the Lord at St. Paul- You may joyfully give at  
[www.stpaulroyalok.org/online-giving](http://www.stpaulroyalok.org/online-giving),  
or mail to 202 E. Fifth St, Royal Oak, MI 48067*



### **Prayer of the Church**

*The 11:00am service continues with the Lord's Prayer and Benediction*

## † THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION †

### **Preface**

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**P** The Lord be with you.



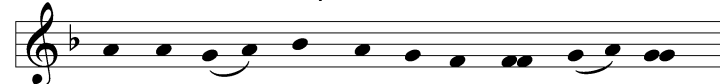
**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## Sanctus

LSB 195



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

*Mt. 6:9-11*

**C** **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.**

## The Words of Our Lord

*Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Co 11:23-25*

## Pax Domini

LSB 197

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

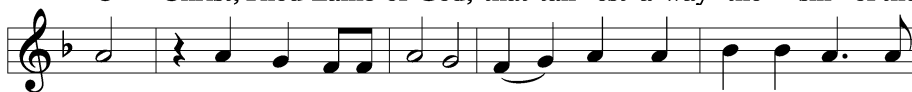
**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the  
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

**Distribution Hymn**

“When I Behold Jesus Christ”

LSB 542

1 When I be - hold Je - sus Christ, True God who died for me,  
 2 For me You gave all Your love, For me You suf - ered pain;  
 3 You had no sin, ho - ly Lord, But You were tor - tured, tried;  
 4 What love is this? Great - er love No one has ev - er known.  
 I won - der much at His love As He hung on the tree.  
 I find no words, noth - ing can Your self - less - ness ex - plain.  
 On Gol - go - tha there for all My sins You bled and died.  
 My life with God— this I owe To You, and You a - lone.  
*Refrain*  
 What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?  
 You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.  
 What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?  
 You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.

**Post-Communion Collect**

## **Benediction**

LSB 166

**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.

**G** Amen.

## **Closing Hymn**

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

LSB 918



1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this  
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing  
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious  
bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;  
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar  
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,  
Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,  
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,  
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,  
bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no  
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and  
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to  
more; Feed me till I want no more.  
shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.  
Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

### **Serving us in Worship**

Preacher Vicar Henry Eising, Raleigh, NC  
Liturgist Pastor Jakob Andrzejewski  
Music Gregory Paul  
Altar Guild Bonnie Rinkus  
Readers 8:15 Tim Hillebrand  
11:00 Jeff Szerdi  
Elders 815 Bryan Harris, Kevin Calhoun  
1100 Mike Rasmussen

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