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## 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 23 & 24, 2023

**Welcome to Worship!** The disciples on the road to Emmaus had the Scriptures opened to them by Jesus. He reiterated that they were saved, and they were in no way responsible for any of it. St. Peter reminds us that we were ransomed, but ransomed from what, with what, and now what are the questions we'll look at today.

**Please register your attendance and Communion in the Record of Fellowship.**

A **"Wee Wiggle Room"** is available below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium.

**Children's Sunday School** meets upstairs. **Adult Bible Classes and Adult Information Class** will resume Sunday, May 21.

**Cell Phones:** *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*

**Holy Communion will be** offered at the 9:00 & 7:00 services. The Common Cup will be offered to those who desire it and will be cleansed and rotated between persons. If you prefer an individual cup, please take one from the tray. Wine with alcohol removed is in the tray center. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church, please contact an elder or pastor before communing.

**Large Print** are available from an usher.

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**THE PRELUDE:** "Jesus Lives! The Victory's One" -J.G. Walther

**+++ 9:00 & 11:15 THE OPENING HYMN:** "See This Wonder in the Making" **Hymn 593**

- 1 See this wonder in the making; God Himself this child is taking  
As a lamb safe in His keeping, His to be, awake or sleeping.
- 2 Miracle each time it happens As the door to heaven opens  
And the Father beams, "Belovèd, Heir of gifts a king would covet!"
- 3 Far more tender than a mother, Far more caring than a father,  
God, into Your arms we place them, With Your love and peace embrace them.
- 4 Here we bring a child of nature; Home we take a newborn creature,  
Now God's precious son or daughter, Born again by Word and water.

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**+++ 7:00 THE OPENING HYMN:** "The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done"

**Hymn 464**

ref Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 1 The strife is o'er, the battle done; Now is the victor's triumph won;  
Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!

- 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst, But Christ their legions hath dispersed.  
Let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!
- 3 The three sad days have quickly sped, He rises glorious from the dead.  
All glory to our risen Head! Alleluia!
- 4 He broke the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.  
Let hymns of praise His triumph tell. Alleluia!
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free  
That we may live and sing to Thee. Alleluia! Refrain

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**+++ 9:00 THE BAPTISM of ROWAN CLAIRE FREDSTROM, Page 268**

**Parents:** Pastor Will & Charlea Fredstrom

**Sponsors:** Justin & Hannah Lange, Colby & Nora Howell, Ethan Schueler

**+++ 11:15 THE BAPTISM OF DREW THOMAS PUTHOFF, Page 268**

**Parents:** Andrew & Emilee (Wolka) Puthoff **Sponsors:** Ellore Harris & Craig Wolka

**THE INVOCATION:**

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

**THE EXHORTATION:**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord, C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**THE CONFESSION OF SINS**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.



## **THE ABSOLUTION**

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.**

## **THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (We pray together)**

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (We speak together)**

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Colossians 3:1

## **THE FIRST READING: Acts 2:14,36-41**

Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . . Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God!**

## **THE EPISTLE READING: 1 Peter 1:17-25**

If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you. L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God!**

**THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**THE GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35 C: (Sing) Glory be to Thee, O Lord**

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, <sup>34</sup>saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: (sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

**+++ 7:00 NICENE CREED, page 158**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified**

also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE HYMN: "With High Delight Let Us Unite"

Hymn 483

- 1 With high delight Let us unite In songs of great jubilation. Ye pure in heart,  
All bear your part, Sing Jesus Christ, our salvation.  
To set us free Forever, He Is ris'n and sends To all earth's ends  
Good news to save ev'ry nation.
- 2 True God, He first From death has burst Forth into life, all subduing. His enemy  
Doth vanquished lie; His death has been death's undoing.  
"And yours shall be Like victory O'er death and grave," Saith He, who gave  
His life for us, life renewing.
- 3 Let praises ring; Give thanks, and bring To Christ our Lord adoration.  
His honor speed By word and deed To ev'ry land, ev'ry nation.  
So shall His love Give us above, From misery And death set free,  
All joy and full consolation.

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THE SERMON: "From What? With What? Now What?"

*(Please register your attendance in the booklet at the end of each pew. Thank you.)*

THE OFFERTORY: Page 192

+++ 11:15 THE RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

THE PRAYERS

+++ 9:00 & 7:00 HOLY COMMUNION: pages 194-202;

Preface

P The Lord be with you. C And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts. C We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God. C It is meet and right so to do.

Sanctus

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**THE PAX DOMINI**

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

**C** Amen.

**AGNUS DEI**

**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

**9:00 Anthem:** "At the Lamb's High Feast" & "Behold What Manner of Love"

**Distribution Hymns:** 680, 476, 637, 531, 643

**680 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise**

- 1 Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise  
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread  
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup  
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.
- 2 Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be  
Thine the vision Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee  
Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry  
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.
- 3 Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest  
Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be  
Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war  
Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.
- 4 Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonder full surprise  
Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways  
Thine the glory Thine the story Then the welcome to the least  
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
- 5 Thine the glory in the night No more dying only light  
Thine the river Thine the tree Then the Lamb eternally  
Then the holy holy holy Celebration jubilee  
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

## 476 Who Are You Who Walk in Sorrow

- 1 Who are you who walk in sorrow Down Emmaus' barren road,  
Hearts distraught and hope defeated, Bent beneath grief's crushing load?  
Nameless mourners, we will join you, We who also mourn our dead;  
We have stood by graves unyielding, Eaten death's bare, bitter bread.
- 2 Who is this who joins our journey, Walking with us stride by stride?  
Unknown Stranger, can You fathom Depths of grief for one who died?  
Then the wonder! When we told You How our dreams to dust have turned,  
Then You opened wide the Scriptures Till our hearts within us burned.
- 3 Who are You? Our hearts are opened In the breaking of the bread —  
Christ the victim, now the victor Living, risen from the dead!  
Great companion on our journey, Still surprise us with Your grace!  
Make each day a new Emmaus; On our hearts Your image trace!
- 4 Who are we who travel with You On our way through life to death?  
Women, men, the young, the aging, Wakened by the Spirit's breath!  
At the font You claim and name us, Born of water and the Word;  
At the table still You feed us, Host us as our risen Lord!
- 5 "Alleluia! Alleluia!" Is the Easter hymn we sing!  
Take our life, our joy, our worship As the gift of love we bring.  
You have formed us all one people Called from ev'ry land and race.  
Make the Church Your servant body, Sent to share Your healing grace!

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## 637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord,  
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;  
Offered was He for greatest and for least,  
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
To all believers life eternal yields;  
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,  
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- 3 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,  
And take the pledges of salvation here.  
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow  
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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### 531 Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

- 1 Hail, Thou once despised Jesus! Hail, Thou Galilean King!  
Thou didst suffer to release us; Thou didst free salvation bring.  
Hail, Thou universal Savior, Bearer of our sin and shame!  
By Thy merit we find favor: Life is given through Thy name.
- 2 Paschal Lamb, by God appointed, All our sins on Thee were laid;  
By almighty love anointed, Thou hast full atonement made.  
All Thy people are forgiven Through the virtue of Thy blood;  
Opened is the gate of heaven, Reconciled are we with God.
- 3 Jesus, hail! Enthroned in glory, There forever to abide;  
All the heav'nly hosts adore Thee, Seated at Thy Father's side.  
There for sinners Thou art pleading; There Thou dost our place prepare,  
Ever for us interceding Till in glory we appear.
- 4 Worship, honor, pow'r, and blessing Thou art worthy to receive;  
Highest praises, without ceasing, Right it is for us to give.  
Help, ye bright angelic spirits, All your noblest anthems raise;  
Help to sing our Savior's merits, Help to chant Immanuel's praise!

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### 643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
The Supper is ended. O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of His teaching, Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.  
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,  
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of  
all people,  
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### THE THANKSGIVING, SALUTATION, and BENEDICAMUS

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, C: and His mercy endureth forever.

P The Lord be with you. C: And with thy spirit.

P Bless we the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

#### THE BENEDICTION

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.

#### THE CLOSING HYMN: "Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

Hymn 919

- 1 Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Your grace  
That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
- 2 Abide, O dear Redeemer, Among us with Your Word,  
And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.
- 3 Abide with heav'nly brightness Among us, precious Light;  
Your truth direct and keep us From error's gloomy night.
- 4 Abide with richest blessings Among us, bounteous Lord;  
Let us in grace and wisdom Grow daily through Your Word.
- 5 Abide with Your protection Among us, Lord, our strength,  
Lest world and Satan fell us And overcome at length.
- 6 Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Your love;  
Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above.

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#### THE POSTLUDE: "Come Ye Thankful Raise the Strain" -Wilbur Held

**Preacher:** Pastor Rodriguez **Lector:** Pastor Fredstrom

**Liturgists:** Pastor Blumenberg, Vicar Farney, Pastor Bloch **Organist:** Mr. Paul Scheiderer

**9:00 Special Music by the Children's Choir and Brass Ensemble**

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