

Clairemont
Lutheran Church
Iglesia Luterana

Second Sunday of Easter ~ April 27, 2025

Prelude *At Eastertide* - C.V. Stanford Charles F. von Gunten

Welcome

Greeting

Pastor: In the name of the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

Congregation: Amen

Call to Worship

P Thomas said, *"Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."* We are in a liminal space, confused between brokenness and new opportunities.

C Dear God, fill us with the power of Resurrection to embrace newness.

One: We are hiding like the disciples behind closed doors with fear and doubts, waiting for your appearance.

C Come into our midst now, penetrate into our closed hearts bringing your peace.

P Refresh us, O God, and empower us.

C As we worship today, blow into us your gentle spirit.

Gathering Hymn *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright* – ELW 384

Thanksgiving for Baptism

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

P Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers

and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C Amen

Hymn of Praise

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus - ELW 392 (vv, 1, 2, & 5)

Prayer of The Day

P The Lord be with you, **C and also with you.** P Let us pray.

C O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Lesson: Act 5:27-32

²⁷ When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." ²⁹ But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹ God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³² And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Word of God, word of life

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118 - (sing to ELW 855)

1 O - pen the righ - teous gates That I may en - ter
 2 This is the Lord's own work And mar - ve - lous to
 3 God is the Lord, and he Has shined u - pon our
 them; "This is the gate - way of the Lord, The
 see; The Lord has act - ed on this day, We
 ways; Bring bran - ches to the al - tar horns, Pro -
 just may now come in." You ans - wered me in
 praise his vic - to - ry. Ho - san - nah, Lord, all
 cess with hymns of praise. "My God, I give you
 need, And are my health a - lone; The stone the build - ers
 praise! Lord, send us now suc - cess; Bles - sed is he who
 thanks, I will ex - alt your Name;" Give thanks to God for
 cast a - side Is now the cor - ner - stone.
 comes to us In God's Name, al bles - sed.
 his is good, To end - less years the same.

Lesson: Revelation 1:4-8

⁴ John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, setting 4* ELW p. 151 (*please stand*)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Response after the announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord**

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” ²⁸

Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Response after the conclusion of the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Manuel Borbón *(please be seated)*

Hymn of the Day ***We Walk By Faith*** - ELW 635 (vv. 1 - 3)

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 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.

Prayers

P God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

After each portion of the prayers

P God of Grace, **C Hear our prayer**

P We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C Amen.

The Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always. **C** And also with you.

We invite you to share a sign of God's peace with those around you.

Offering

Anthem *Adagio and Andante for horn and organ* - Camille Saint-Saens

Charles F. von Gunten & Lee Hintz: organ and French horn duet

The Offering Prayer *(please stand)*

C Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving - ELW p.152

The musical notation is arranged in four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is for the Pastor, with the lyrics "The Lord be with you." and "And al - so with you." The second staff is for the Congregation, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts." and "We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Pastor, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the Congregation, with the lyrics "It is right to give our thanks and praise." The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

Pastor *Congregation*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Pastor *Congregation*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

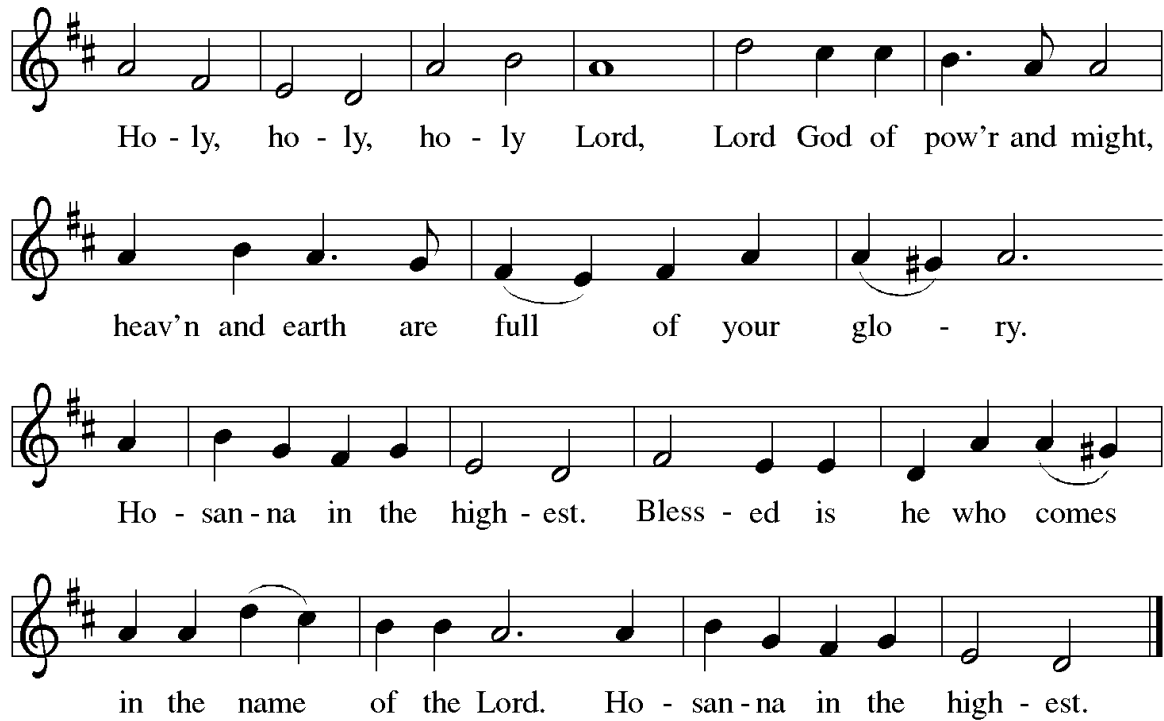
Congregation

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Preface

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty.... We praise your name and join their unending hymn

The Sanctus - ELW p. 153



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion *(please be seated)*

The Agnus Dei

Lamb of God - ELW p.154

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution of Communion will be around the altar. Please form a single line in the center aisle to come up to communion go up the steps to the altar, if altar. If you prefer, you may go to communion at the station on the floor by the pulpit. Return to your seats using the side aisles.

Communion Music *Pastorale* - Louis Vierne
Gunten

Charles F. von

Blessing after Communion

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Prayer after Communion

C Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

Announcements

Blessing *(please stand)*

P The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn,
now and always. **C Amen.**

Sending Hymn ***This Joyful Eastertide*** - ELW 391

Dismissal

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude *Carillon de Westminster* - Louis Vierne

Charles F. von Gunten

Serving Us Today

Pastor Manuel Borbón

Choir Director: Katy Lundeen

Organist: Charles F. von Gunten

Reader: Bonita Martinez

Communion Assistants: Gary Jaus, Aida Jaus, Gary Lange, Pam Allen

Welcome Team: Rita Leatherman, Curtis Cline, Karen Creusere

Offering Couriers: Linda Ten Eyck, Harriet Carmona

AV: Lewis John TenHulzen, Mitchell Little

Slides Creator: Lorri Carlsen

All are Welcome! As a community of faith the members of Clairemont Lutheran Church/ Iglesia Luterana Clairemont are called to include all people seeking a relationship with Jesus, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, immigration status or marital status. We gather as one congregation, worshiping in two languages, celebrating many cultures. We affirm that in Christ " There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female" (Galatians 3:28)

FIRST TIME HERE? Welcome to Clairemont Lutheran Church. For those who are here for the first time we have a welcome gift for you on the table in the Narthex. Please see one of the greeters in the Narthex to receive your gift. Thank you for being with us today.

FOR THOSE IN NEED If you are facing challenges in life, we have cards with prayers for you, located on the table in the narthex on the following subjects. 1. Anxiety 2. Coping with the death of a loved one. 3. Dealing with discouragement and despair. 4. Hope. 5. Loneliness. 6. Need for forgiveness and 7. Patience.

Remember in Prayer: Sandy McCauley, Mark Nickel, Bev Covey, Ruth Andersen, Adrienne Lenhoff, Paul Brown, Ken Hanson, Lee & Carol Shigley, Maria Medrano, Teresa Muñoz, Clark Carlson, Stella Penyak, Barb Kanneman, LaRae Rabe, Lewis TenHulzen, Renée Shepherd, Bob Logan, Myra Brandt, and all the homebound members.

Pulpit and Lecturn flowers are given to the Glory of God by LeRoy Bannach once again. The flowers are dedicated to Pastor Manuel Borbón and Pastor Elena Enriquez, or administrative staff, all the Church committees and the many volunteers as we continue working to broaden our venues as a welcoming Church in two languages.

Fellowship Hall Celebration: the church is accepting donations to cover the various costs associated with the celebration. Cash or a check (made out to Clairemont Lutheran) can be put in an offering envelope; please check the special offering box and write FH celebration. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Next Week's Lessons: Acts 9:1-6 [7-20], Psalm 30, Revelation 5:11-14, and the Gospel of John 21:1-19

The Zoom studies for the Gospel readings for the coming Sunday led by Bill Fredericks are on Mondays at 4:00pm. You can contact Bill Fredericks at william.h.fredericks@gmail.com

Charles' Music Notes: Surely, there is no congregation in the US that has such a talented musician as Lee Hintz in routine performance at church. He suggested to our organist that they play the duet you will hear at the Offertory. The composer, Camille Saint-Saëns, is among the child prodigies of music history, because at the

age of six he was already playing the piano, composing songs and small pieces. As a student he met the professor of valve horn Jean-Pierre Meifred (1791-1867) at the Paris Conservatoire. Camille Saint-Saëns composed this Andante for valve horn and organ for him. In 1852 Saint-Saëns was appointed organist at the Église Saint-Merry, and from 1857 he was given the same position at the Eglise de la Madeleine in Paris.

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Monday March 17

4:00pm Gospel Study on zoom
5-6pm Glee Choir,
6-7pm Esperanza Youth Choir,
7:30-8:45pm Sanctuary Choir

Tuesday April 29

6:30pm Handbell
rehearsal

Thursday April 30

7:00am Sandwich ministry
5:30pm Cherub Choir

Friday May 1

8am-12pm Food Distribution

Saturday May 3

2:00pm Julie Strivers Memorial

Sunday May 4

9:30 worship service,
11:30 Spanish worship

