FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Saturday, April 27, 2024 - 5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 28, 2024 - 8:00 a.m. Divine Service 4 LSB pg. 203

## As We Gather

The topic of wine, vines, and vineyards is one that comes up throughout scripture. So today we ask the question, "What kind of wine are you?". Are you more like the "bad fruit" mentioned in Isaiah 5 or are you connected to the "True Vine" of John 15?

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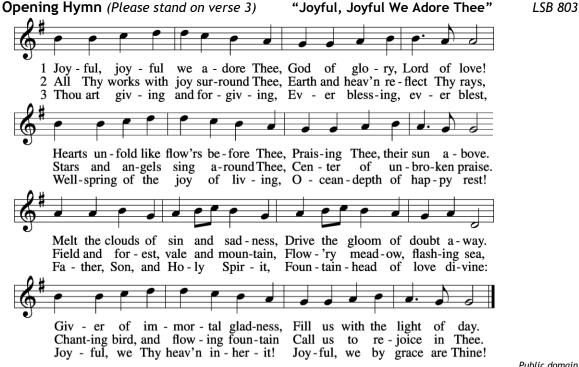


A Note on Holy Communion Guests are encouraged to see details about Communion on p. 9.



**A Note on Offerings** As an act of worship and thanksgiving, we offer to God what He has first given to us: the first and best of our time, talents, and financial gifts. Donation boxes are located by each entry door or if you would like to contribute online, with either a onetime or ongoing gift, please use clcs.org/give or the QR code to the left.

Welcome



P = Pastor; L = Worship Leader; C = Congregation

## Call to Worship

The Invocation - Matthew 28:19

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

## Confession of Sin & Announcement of Forgiveness

The Absolution - John 20:21-23

- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C: who made heaven and earth.
- P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Introit (8:00 a.m. - Please be seated)

Calvary Chorale Setting by Paul Bunjes (1914-1998)

Oh, sing unto the Lord a new song, alleluia! for He hath done marvelous things, alleluia!

The Lord hath made known His salvation;

His righteousness hath He openly showed in the sight of the heathen. Alleluia, alleluia! His right hand and His holy arm:

hath gotten Him the victory.

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.

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## Prayer of the Day

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray.

...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## Children's Message (Please be seated)

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Matthew 19:14

Special Music (8:00 a.m.) "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands" (Bach) Calvary Chorale

Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands For our offenses given; But now at God's right hand He stands And brings us life from heaven. Therefore let us joyful be And sing to God right thankfully Loud songs of alleluia! Alleluia!

Christ Jesus, God's own Son, came down, His people to deliver; Destroying sin, He took the crown From death's pale brow forever; Stripped of power, no more it reigns; An empty form alone remains; Its sting is lost forever. Alleluia!

Here our true Paschal Lamb we see, Whom God so freely gave us; He died on the accursed tree--So strong His love--to save us. See, His blood now marks our door; Faith points to it; death passes over, And Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia!

So let us keep the festival To which the Lord invites us; Christ is Himself the joy of all, The sun that warms and lights us. Now His grace to us imparts, Eternal sunshine to our hearts; The night of sin is ended, Alleluia!

# ⊕ The Word of the Lord ⊕

## **First Reading**

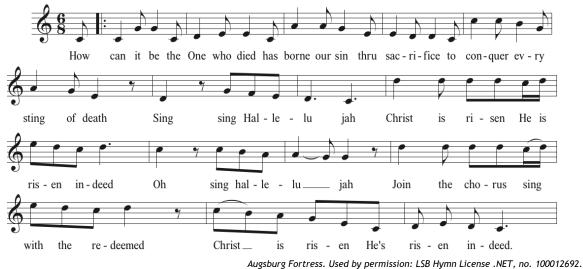
### "The Song of the Vineyard"

Isaiah 5:1-7

<sup>1</sup> I will sing for the one I love a song about his vineyard: My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. <sup>2</sup> He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then he looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit. <sup>3</sup> "Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. <sup>4</sup> What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? <sup>5</sup> Now I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it will be destroyed; I will break down its wall, and it will be trampled. <sup>6</sup> I will make it a wasteland, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briers and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it." <sup>7</sup> The vineyard of the Lord Almighty is the nation of Israel, and the people of Judah are the vines he delighted in. And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.

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

**Gospel Procession & Song** (*Please stand*) **"Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed"** *Getty* (*The Gospel is read from the center of the congregation to symbolize the risen Jesus standing among us with the good news of His victory over death and the grave. He is alive. Alleluia!*)



## Holy Gospel

"The True Vine"

John 15:1-8

<sup>1</sup> [Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup> Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## Gospel Procession & Song

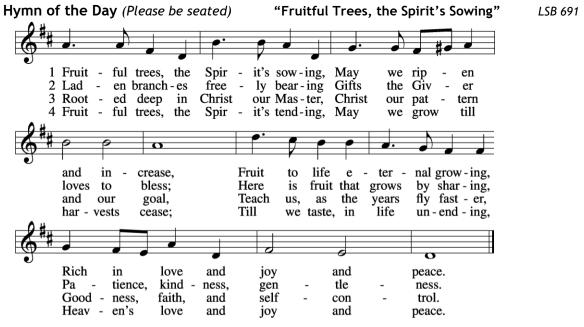
- 1 The power that raised Him from the grave Now works in us to powerfully save He frees our hearts to live His grace Go tell of His goodness
- 2 Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!Oh, sing hallelujahJoin the chorus sing with the redeemedChrist is risen, He is risen indeed

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

## Shared Confession of Faith

#### The Nicene Creed

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.



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Sermon

"What Kind of Wine are You?"

John 15:1-8

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## **Prayers** (Please stand)

- P: Let us come before our Lord, asking Him to give ear to our prayers and to sustain in us a living hope.
- L: For children and infants, that they be raised by faithful parents and guardians, and grow in strength and in knowledge of the Lord. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C: And let my cry come to You.
- L: For those in power, especially elected officials, that they would uphold the freedoms of our land, while also providing for the peace and protection of all citizens. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C: And let my cry come to You.
- L: For the elderly and homebound, that God would strengthen them through His Word and Sacraments. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C: And let my cry come to You.
- L: For the leaders of this congregation, that God would send His guidance and wisdom for the benefit of this congregation and community. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C: And let my cry come to You.
- P: For those who are sick, recovering, and seeking God's help with the pains of life, that they rely on the all-sufficient grace of Christ. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C: And let my cry come to You.
- P: For those who mourn the death of loved ones, that they find hope in the resurrection and return of Christ. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C: And let my cry come to You.
- P: For those who celebrate special occasions and answered prayers, that their joy be a witness to the goodness of God. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C: And let my cry come to You.
- L: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your power, mercy, and grace.
- C: Amen.

A copy of today's prayers is available online for use during your daily prayers (<u>clcs.org/this-week</u>).

## 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.

# ✤ Holy Communion ✤

Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, welcomes us today to the table to receive of the blessings won for us upon the cross. As we draw near confessing our wayward ways and desiring to live a new life in Christ, we examine ourselves as the Bible encourages us to do in 1 Corinthians 11:28. We therefore pause to consider why Jesus gave us this sacred meal and what He now gives us in it, for this is a meal of...

- 1. Forgiveness Am I sorry for my sin and desire God's forgiveness? (Matthew 26:28)
- 2. Faith Do I believe that Jesus is my Savior and that he is truly present in this meal for my benefit? (1 Corinthians 11:26-28)
- 3. Fellowship Do I come to this table desiring reconciliation with others (Matthew 5:23-24), and am I in agreement with the beliefs of this faith community in which I now seek to receive communion? (1 Corinthians 10:16-21)

New to Calvary or have questions? Feel free to speak to a pastor before or after service.

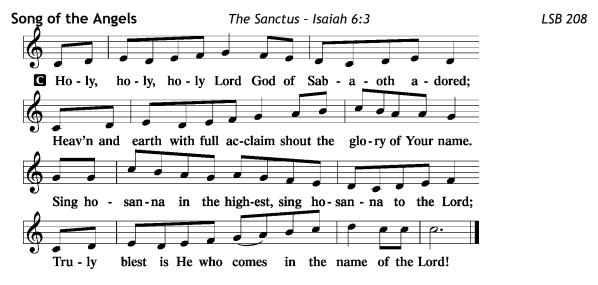
Those not receiving communion may remain seated or come forward for a blessing from the pastor. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate you are not receiving communion.

## When invited forward, please line up in front of the communion rail.

*Gluten-free wafers* are available on stands at the end of the first row for those with a gluten allergy to pick up on their way to the communion rail. **Non-alcoholic (white) wine** is available at the center of the communion trav.

After being dismissed with a blessing, please return to your seat using the center aisle.

- P: The Lord be with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: And also with you.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P: It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and singing:



Words of Our Lord The Words of Institution - Mt. 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20, 1 Cor 11:23-25

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.

Lamb of God (Sung)

#### The Agnus Dei - John 1:29

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O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

**Distribution Hymn** (Please be seated) "Christ, the Word of God Incarnate" LSB 540 car - nate, Lord 1 Christ, the Word of God in and Son of 2 Christ, the liv - ing bread Food from heav - en, for bod - y, 3 Christ, the shoot that springs tri um - phant From the stump of good and faith - ful shep - herd, all Your 4 Christ, our Watch - ing 5 Christ, the way that leads un fail - ing То the Fa-ther's -Christ, the ra - diance of Α bra - ham; the Fa ther. for soul: Christ, the food man - na dai - ly giv en, Jes - se's tree; Christ, true vine, You nur - ture branch - es lambs and sheep; Christ, the gate that guards the sheep - fold, home on high, Christ, the truth that frees the cap - tive, Per - fect God. Ι the great Christ, the light, You AM: Nour - ish. strength - en. make us whole. Feed us with the To bear fruit а bun - dant - lv. Graft us in - to Nev - er fail - ing vig - il keep. When we stray, Good Christ, the life that can - not die. Me di - a - tor shine un - van-quished, Light and life You bring to all; Light our food of heav - en, Fore-taste of the feast to be: Ouench our You. O Sav - ior; Prune our hearts so we re - main Fruit - ful Shep-herd, seek Find us, lift us, bear us home; Lamb us, of to the Fa - ther, Sac - ri - fice and great High Priest: Lead us path with Your own pres - ence, Grant us grace to heed Your call. thirst with liv - ing e - ter - nal - ly. wa - ter Spring-ing up branch-es in Your vine - yard Till ter - nal life we gain. e shep - herd, keep us; Let hear Your voice a - lone. God, our us There to share Your wed-ding feast. Your heav'n-ly man - sions, to

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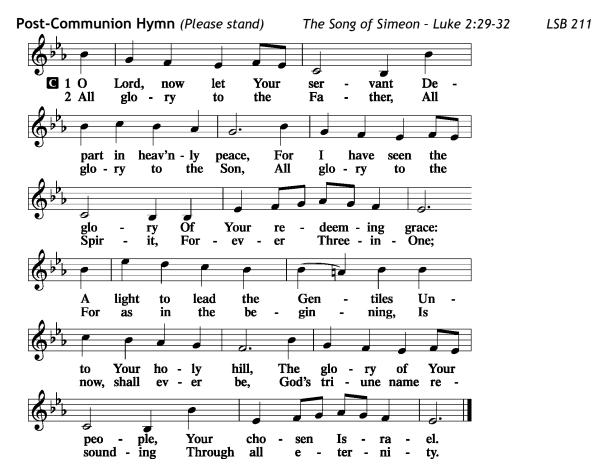
## For Prayer & Personal Reflection during Communion Distribution

"<sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you." (John 15:5-7)

A word that Jesus uses multiple times in our Gospel reading is, "abide." This word is used to describe dwelling, remaining, to be present, or be held/kept. In what ways can you abide in Christ?

Our Gospel reading tells us that we are "clean because of the word" that was spoken to us. What purpose does Jesus have in making us clean? (See John 15:11)

Prayer: Jesus, help me to abide in You. Help me to be present in You as my dwelling place that my joy may be full. Amen.



## **Post-Communion Blessing**

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

- L: Let us pray.
  - ...who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

## Blessing

The Benediction of Aaron - Numbers 6:24-26

- P: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- 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.



Announcements (Please be seated)

## ☆ LEADING OUR WORSHIP ☆

Preacher:	Pastor Sam Troemel
Worship Leader:	(5:30p) Ellwyn Parks
Organist:	(5:30p) Rob Pfiester
Musicians:	(8:00a) Calvary Chorale
Acolyte:	(5:30p) Ethan Folkening

(8:00a) Pastor Kurt Ebert (8:00a) Rhonda Hansen