

ALLELUIA!

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Faith Lutheran Church
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AS WE GATHER

*One of the classic Easter songs of the church is the *Victimae Paschali*. Dating back to medieval times, it includes a musical narrative of the resurrection of Jesus. One of the verses begins by addressing Mary, who is a witness to the resurrection, in this way: “Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw when wayfaring.” And Mary replies confidently: “The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus’ resurrection” (LSB 460). The vision that Mary had of the divine messenger in a bright garment at the open and empty tomb was a glorious sight. His message, “He has risen; He is not here” (Mark 16:6), was glorious as well. The season of Easter in the life of the church is a time when the glory of God is celebrated by His faithful people. In his stirring hymn text “Thy Strong Word,” Dr. Martin Franzmann writes, “Glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess” (LSB 578:3). Joyfully and confidently we can share the glory of Easter!*

· **PRELUDE** *“Take My Life and Let it Be”* *setting by William R. Brusick*

· **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

| **CHIMING OF THE TRINITY** *(The congregation stands at the ringing of the bell.)*



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;
 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its trea - sure store;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
 Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
 Take my-self, and I will be Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.

| RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM (5:00)

Avery Lina Yusty

Daughter of Alvaro Jose & Alyssa Brianna née Andrea Yusty

Sponsors: Nicole Wardeberg Funk and Juan Jose Botero



| INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: 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.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: **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.**

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

Service of the Word

| CHANTING THE PSALM

Psalm 148



Leader: Praise the Lord!
 Praise the Lord from the | heavens;*
 praise Him | in the heights!
 Praise Him, all His | angels;*
 praise Him, | all His hosts!

People: **Praise Him, | sun and moon,*
 praise Him, all you | shining stars!
 Praise Him, you highest | heavens,*
 and you waters above the | heavens!**

Leader: Let them praise the name | of the Lord!*
 For He commanded and they were cre- | ated.
 And He established them forever and | ever;*
 He gave a decree, and it shall not | pass away.

People: **Praise the Lord | from the earth,*
 you great sea creatures and | all deeps,
 fire and hail, | snow and mist,*
 stormy wind fulfill- | ing His word!**

Leader: Mountains and | all hills,*
fruit trees and all | cedars!
Beasts and all | livestock,*
creeping things and | flying birds!

People: **Kings of the earth and all | peoples,***
princes and all rulers | of the earth!
Young men and maidens to- | gether,*
old men and | children!

Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for His name alone is ex- | alted;*

His majesty is above earth and | heaven.
He has raised up a horn for His people,
praise for | all His saints,*

for the people of Israel who are near to Him. | Praise the Lord!

All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son And to the Holy | Spirit;*
*As it was in the be- | ginning, * is now, and will be forever. | Amen.*

| KYRIE

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

| GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, we have celebrated the mystery of our Lord's resurrection from the dead. Help us to show the power of His resurrection in all that we say and do; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Twentieth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

John 20:19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into His side, I will never believe." Eight days later, His disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

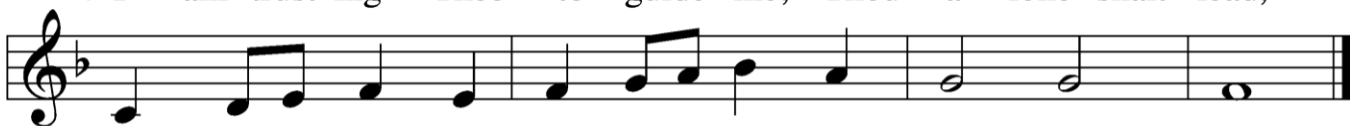
HYMN OF THE DAY

"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus"

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1 I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly Thee;
2 I am trust-ing Thee for par - don; At Thy feet I bow,
3 I am trust-ing Thee for cleans - ing In the crim - son flood;
4 I am trust-ing Thee to guide me; Thou a - lone shalt lead,



Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and free.
For Thy grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.
Trust - ing Thee to make me ho - ly By Thy blood.
Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my need.

SERMON

“*Doubting Thomas*”

Pastor Bradford Hildebrandt

Text: John 20:19-31

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 † everlasting. Amen.

OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

*We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.*

Prayer Requests: Please print prayer requests on the blue “Prayer” card and hand it to an usher during this time.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“*The Risen Christ*”

arr. by Tom Fettke

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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.

Service of the Sacrament

| PREFACE (5:00)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

| SANCTUS (5:00)

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G 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.

| WORDS OF OUR LORD (5:00)

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

| PAX DOMINI (5:00)

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

| AGNUS DEI (5:00)

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☐ 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 (5:00)

*Whoever takes Holy Communion here confesses the teachings of this congregation
1 Corinthians 11:26.*

If you do not agree with or do not know what we teach, you may still come to the rail – simply cross your arms as a sign that you do not wish to commune at this time. For more information, see our statement in the front of the hymnal or talk to a pastor.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The LORD bless You and keep you; the LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD look on you in favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"Thine Is the Glory"



1. Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, — con - q'ring Son;
2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, Ris - en — from the tomb;
3. No more we doubt Thee, Glo - rious Prince of life!



End - less is the vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hath won.
Lov - ing - ly He greets us, Scat - ters fear and gloom.
Life is — naught with - out Thee; Aid us in our strife.



An - gels in bright rai - ment Rolled the stone a - way,
Let — His church with glad - ness Hymns of tri - umph sing,
Make us — more than con - q'rors, Thro' Thy death - less love:



Kept the fold - ed grave - clothes Where Thy bod - y lay.
For — her Lord now liv - eth; Death hath lost its sting.
Bring us — safe thro' Jor - dan To thy home a - bove.

Refrain



Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, — con - q'ring Son;



End - less is the vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hath won.

POSTLUDE