

Worship Service ~ April 19, 2026, 9:00

Third Sunday of Easter

VISION: Be the body of Christ:

welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith.

MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Worship Broadcast is sponsored by Mary Buck
in memory of Sophie and Howard Sargeant.

PRELUDE *"Earth Song"* Kyle Trapp, soloist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HOLY BAPTISM OF CLIFFORD LORENTZEN

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OPENING SONG ELW #731 *EARTH AND ALL STARS* stz 1, 4, 5

INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ✚ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Trusting in God's steadfast love and faithfulness, let us confess our sin.

Silence for Reflection

L: Compassionate God,

C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

L: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

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HYMN OF PRAISE ACS page 31

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: Grand designer of all things, the light and darkness, the dome in the midst of waters, the sky and dry land, the vegetation, the seasons, the swarms of living creatures, birds and great sea monsters, creeping things and wild animals, and us; all these were brought into being through your word. And it was good. Amen.

CREATION CARE

READING

R: A reading from Genesis.

Genesis 1:27-31

²⁷ So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹ God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW #172 HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH

R: A Gospel reading from the 25th chapter of Matthew.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Matthew 25:44-45

⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?' ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.'

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #824 *THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD*

MUSICAL OFFERING *"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"* by John Behnke; Bells of Faith; Dean Jensen, director



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OFFERTORY ELW #184 *LET THE VINEYARDS*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

HOLY COMMUNION

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION You are invited to come forward at the direction of the ushers to receive communion.

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COMMUNION MUSIC *"Touch the Earth Lightly"*

(ELW 739) Faith Choir; Alan Ball, piano; Linda Burk, director

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

BLESSING

The LORD walk beside you to comfort you, above you to watch over you, behind you to lift you up, and before you to lead the way.

Amen.

SENDING SONG *GREAT ARE YOU LORD*

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DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE on *"This is My Father's World"* (ELW #824) ar. Diane Bish

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