

## The Third Sunday in Easter, April 26, 2020

*Feel free to adjust this service to meet your family's needs.*

*Martin Luther's morning and evening prayers have been included to suit your choice of worship times.*

*You may share this service with your extended family, friends and those in need.*

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**L** Leader (*scripture lessons can be read by another member of the family*)

**C** Family (*hymns can be sung or read quietly as tunes are played*)

**A** All

### Opening Versicles

- L** Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
- C** have mercy and hear us.

### Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

### Apostles' Creed

- C** 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  $\dagger$  everlasting. Amen.

*Play Track 1*

### 822 Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

*LSB 822*

- 1 Alleluia! Let praises ring!  
To God the Father let us bring  
Our songs of adoration.  
To Him through everlasting days  
Be worship, honor, pow'r, and praise,  
Whose hand sustains creation.  
Singing, ringing:  
Holy, holy,  
God is holy;  
Spread the story  
Of our God, the Lord of glory.
- 2 Alleluia! Let praises ring!  
Unto the Lamb of God we sing,  
In whom we are elected.  
He bought His Church with His own blood,  
He cleansed her in that blessed flood,  
And as His bride selected.  
Holy, holy  
Is our union  
And communion.  
His befriending  
Gives us joy and peace unending.

- 3 Alleluia! Let praises ring!  
 Unto the Holy Ghost we sing  
 For our regeneration.  
 The saving faith in us He wrought  
 And us unto the Bridegroom brought,  
 Made us His chosen nation.  
 Glory! Glory!  
 Joy eternal,  
 Bliss supernal;  
 There is manna  
 And an endless, glad hosanna.
- 4 Alleluia! Let praises ring!  
 Unto our triune God we sing;  
 Blest be His name forever!  
 With angel hosts let us adore  
 And sing His praises evermore  
 For all His grace and favor!  
 Singing, ringing:  
 Holy, holy,  
 God is holy;  
 Spread the story  
 Of our God, the Lord of glory!

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### Acts 2:14a, 36–41

*Acts 2:14a, 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.

### 1 Peter 1:17–25

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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.

### Luke 24:13–35

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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, 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.

### *Play Track 2*

### **Pastor's Message:**

### **The Prayers**

*LSB 283*

**L** Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord,  
**C** and grant us Your salvation.

**L** Let us pray.  
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.

**C** Amen.

### **Luther's Morning Prayer**

**A** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### **Luther's Evening Prayer**

**A** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen

### **Benedicamus**

*LSB 284*

**L** Let us bless the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Blessing**

**L** The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.  
**C** Amen.

**474 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen**

LSB 474

- 1 Alleluia!  
Jesus is risen!  
    Trumpets resounding in glorious light!  
Splendor, the Lamb,  
Heaven forever!  
    Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Refrain
  
- ref Jesus is risen and we shall arise:  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!
  
- 2 Walking the way,  
Christ in the center  
    Telling the story to open our eyes;  
Breaking our bread,  
Giving us glory:  
    Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. Refrain
  
- 3 Jesus the vine,  
We are the branches;  
    Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;  
Heaven to earth,  
Christ to the people,  
    Gift of the future now flowing to me. Refrain
  
- 4 Weeping, be gone;  
Sorrow, be silent:  
    Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.  
Cherubim sing:  
"O grave, be open!"  
    Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. Refrain
  
- 5 City of God,  
Easter forever,  
    Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
River of life,  
Saints and archangels,  
    Sing with creation to God the I AM! Refrain

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