# 10:45am Celebration Worship Service



May 12th, 2024

# WELCONE.

Welcome to all, especially visitors! It is no accident that you are here! We've been praying for you. We believe God has brought you here and wants to touch your life. You are among friends.

- ♦ If you are visiting, please sign in on our guest sign-in sheet in the Narthex Hallway. For important information regarding our church, please refer to the info sheet in your pew.
- ♦ At our 10:45 service: words for the hymns are projected on the screens at the front of the sanctuary.
- ♦ For the hearing impaired: hearing devices are available in the Narthex outside the sanctuary.
- ♦ *Restrooms:* To locate a restroom, exit the back of the worship area. Take two rights and proceed down the hallway. At the stairs, go left. The Women's Room is on the left, the Men's Room is straight ahead.
- ♦ *Holy Communion at ELC*: We welcome to the Lord's Table all the baptized people of God. Gluten free options and grape juice are available.
- ♦ *Nursery:* We have a fully staffed nursery for infants through children six years of age or children of any age with special needs. The nursery opens at 10:30 AM on Sunday morning for our 10:45 AM worship service. The nursery is equipped with a pager system to help parents feel at ease.
- ♦ Photo Release Form: Our 10:45 service is live-streamed to our Facebook Page and YouTube Channel. All children coming to the front for the Children's Message or Holy Communion will be visible on the live-feed. If you do not want your child's image online, please do not send them up to the front. If you are ok with it, please fill out a Photo Release Form located on the sign-up table in the Narthex and put it in the offering box.

\*Criminal Background Checks have been done for all of our Nursery & Children's Ministry Volunteers.

# May 12th, 2024 The Seventh Sunday of Easter

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

# **GATHERING**

# **PRELUDE**

# WELCOME AND COMMUNITY SHARING

Please stand

# THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, 

→ one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

# C Amen.

P Look, here is water! C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

P Look, here is water!
C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

# C Amen.

P Look, Here is water!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

# **GATHERING HYMN**

Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord

# **GREETING**

P Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed!

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# C Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING 1 John 5:9-13

God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son

<sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. <sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Psalm 1

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,

nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that | do not wither; everything they | do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>It is not so | with the wicked;

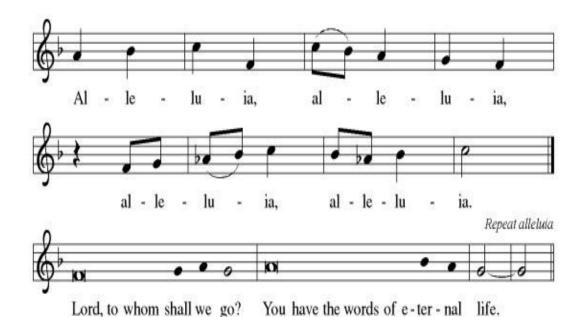
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

Please Stand

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL John 17:6-19

In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death—his prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

**P** The holy gospel according to St. John the 17th Chapter.

# C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>6</sup>"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

<sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Debbie Zacher

A Mother's Day Prayer Sunday School Children J. Reeves/P. Drennan

# CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

After the children's message, the children are welcomed to be a part of the Children's Worship that takes place in our Sunday School Room #105. Children return from Children's Worship during the sharing of the peace.

**SERMON** Pastor D

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

**ELW 645** 

# THE 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 he 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 OF INTERCESSION



Members of Our Congregation: Don Cool, Karla Oller, Ellie Bauerle, Mason Erwin, Angie Rock, and The family of Alice Galbraith. We pray for Pastor Dennis while he is on Sabbatical.

Friends of the Congregation: Paul & Rebecca Corderman, Kathy Freese, Jim Gleason, Tyler Kreiter & Family, Dan & Sebastian Rovelstad, Marianne Smits, Regina Spagnoletti, Susan Spagnoletti, John Spagnoletti, Diana Hagerty Miner, Gene & Sally Weagley, Alicia Wood, Abraham and Naziha Hanna, Evelyn Bouffard, Rich Mihm, Cullen Gaston, Richard Gardenhour, Hilda Carey, Dan Ebel, and Quincy Village Charter House Residents.

(Names will be posted for a month. If you would like to have them on longer, please contact the church office.)

# **PEACE**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated

**CHOIR ANTHEM** 

Christ Is the World's Light

**Lloyd Larson** 

Please stand

# **MEAL**

# OFFERING PRAYER

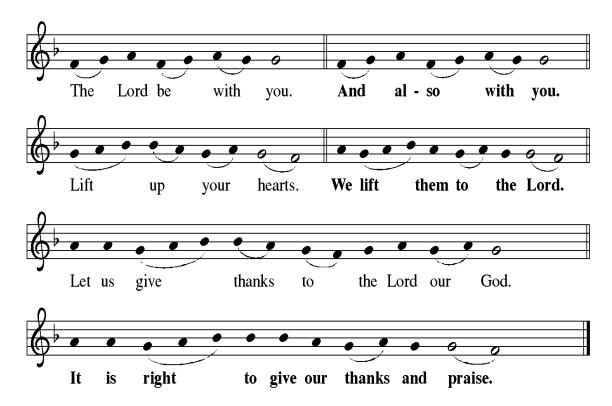
**P** Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C Amen.

Thank you for your continuous support of ELC ministries. Your generosity is making a difference. Please place your offering in one of the boxes at the entrance to the Sanctuary.

You are a blessing!

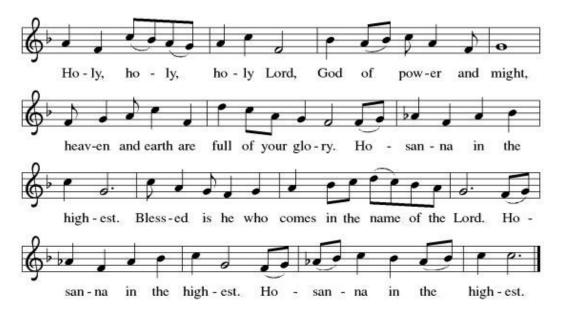
# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE



# **PREFACE**

**P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



# THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

**P** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### 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.

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P** The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

# **COMMUNION SONG**



# Please stand

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

# C Amen.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**P** Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

#### C Amen.

# SENDING

# BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

**ELW 855** 

# DISMISSAL

P Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

#### **POSTLUDE**

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In loving memory of Dorie Pensinger on Mother's Day by the Pensinger Family.



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