

***THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER***  
**APRIL 18, 2010**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
***SETTING ONE***

**Redeemer Lutheran Church & Child Care**  
**6465 MAYPORT RD.**

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**WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:00 and 10:30 AM**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 AM**  
**ADULT BIBLE CLASS: 9:15 AM**

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***Jesus Appears by the Sea of Tiberius***



## The Prelude

## The Call to Worship

## The Easter Proclamation

- P Alleluia! He is risen!  
C **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## The Greeting

*Please stand and face the processional cross*

**The Processional Hymn:** “*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia*” **LSB 463**

## The Invocation

*The sign of the cross T may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*  
C **Amen.**

## The Confession and Absolution

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. *1 John 1:8–9*  
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.*

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.** *John 20:19–23*

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**THANK YOU:** Many, many thanks to the best choir in the 58 states, for the really neat card and the huge pile of cash! I’ll go shopping! - Doris

**SPRING CLEANING:** Please join us Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 AM for our annual “spring property cleaning”. Inside and outside projects are available; we need able-bodied servants for fellowship and work. Thanks for your participation.

**AN INTERESTING QUOTE:** C.F.W. Walther, first Missouri Synod president, testifies: Whenever the divine service once again follows the old Evangelical-Lutheran agendas (or church books), it seems that many raise a great cry that it is “Roman Catholic”: “Roman Catholic” when the pastor chants “The Lord be with you” and the congregation responds by chanting “and with thy spirit”; “Roman Catholic” when the pastor chants the collect and the blessing and the people respond with a chanted “Amen.” Even the simplest Christian can respond to this outcry: “Prove to me that this chanting is contrary to the Word of God, then I too will call it ‘Roman Catholic’ and have nothing more to do with it. However, you cannot prove this to me.” If you insist upon calling every element in the divine service “Romish” that has been used by the Roman Catholic Church, it must follow that the reading of the Epistle and Gospel is also “Romish.” Indeed, it is mischief to sing or preach in church, for the Roman Church has done this also . . . Those who cry out should remember that the Roman Catholic Church possesses every beautiful song of the old orthodox church. The chants and antiphons and responses were brought into the church long before the false teachings of Rome crept in. This Christian Church since the beginning, even in the Old Testament, has derived great joy from chanting . . . For more than 1700 years orthodox Christians have participated joyfully in the divine service. Should we, today, carry on by saying that such joyful participation is “Roman Catholic”? God forbid! Therefore, as we continue to hold and to restore our wonderful divine services in places where they have been forgotten, let us boldly confess that our worship forms do not tie us with the modern sects or with the church of Rome; rather, they join us to the one, holy Christian Church that is as old as the world and is built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets. [*Der Lutheraner*, July 19, 1853, issue, volume 9, number 24, page 163].

**CHARLOTTE STONE CRABS FAITH NIGHT:** Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:05 PM with gates opening at 6:00 PM. *Stone Crabs vs. Palm Beach Cardinals*. Tickets for Thrivent members just \$12.00 and tickets for non-members just \$22.00. Space is limited!!! Transportation from the church will be leaving at 5:15 PM – Please see Lisa Vassallo if you would like to take the van.

**USHERS:** You are a very important part of Redeemer Lutheran Church. Your friendly smile, warm welcome and handshake make everyone feel welcome. Volunteering your time and talent is God’s blessing to Redeemer Lutheran Church. Thank you, Tom Kirkland

**T-SHIRTS:** T-shirts for sale! Sign-up in narthex with Lisa Vassallo. They are TURQUIOSE and say Redeemer Lutheran Church....\$10.00 each. Get yours today!

**VOTER’S MEETING:** The Quarterly Voter’s Meeting will be held on April 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM between services. Please be sure to attend.

**NEWSLETTER:** The newsletter deadline for the month of April has been extended until April 25<sup>th</sup>. Please have your submissions to the church office by this time. Thank you.

**NORTHERN MEMBERS:** Please alert the office of your departure date to return north for the summer, as Jen can then update the mailing addresses accordingly. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY:** If you have not yet picked-up your pictorial directory, they are available on the activities desk in the narthex. Make sure you get your copy!

**TWITTER:** Pastor Kress is now on Twitter. To follow him, please add the name **revdupone** to your Twitter account! Any questions about Twitter, setting up an account, etc, please contact the office. Give Pastor a tweet!

**LIFE LINE SCREENING:** Redeemer Lutheran Church is hosting a Life Line Screening for the community on Friday, May 7th. They will perform ultrasound tests for stroke/carotid artery blockage, abdominal aortic aneurysm, peripheral arterial disease and osteoporosis risk. These non-invasive screenings are completely painless, take about 10 minutes each and are affordable. A new test is available for Atrial Fibrillation (irregular heartbeat). Screenings are recommended for anyone age 50 and older. Life Line

**The Kyrie**

*Mark 10:47*

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

## The Hymn of Praise

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

*Refrain*



☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

loads of fun!

**YOUTH CONFIRMATION:** Youth Confirmation classes have resumed and are making plans toward confirmation on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>! If you have any questions, please contact the church office or call Pastor Kress.

**THE LUTHERAN STUDY BIBLE:** The Hardback Edition from Concordia Publishing House is now available. This new Bible is the first in English to be developed from the ground-up with notes that are uniquely Lutheran. *The Lutheran Study Bible* draws together a depth of scholarly notes with rich devotional insights to provide meaningful perspective for both young and mature Christians.

**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS:** Pastor Kress will be on vacation beginning April 19<sup>th</sup>, and bible class will resume May 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Kress.

**LADIES THURSDAY BIBLE CLASS:** Pastor Kress will be on vacation beginning April 19<sup>th</sup>, and bible class will resume May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**GOOD NEWS MAGAZINE:** If anyone would like to subscribe to the *Good News* magazine, please contact the office and Jen will assist you.

**CELL PHONE FOR SOLDIERS:** A "Cell Phone for Soldiers" drop box is located in the narthex. Drop off your old cell phone and our troops serving overseas will receive sixty-minute calling cards good anywhere in the world. Thank you for your help.

**ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS!:** You can now designate your "Choice Dollars" contribution to Redeemer School and Day Care. Contributions received from Thrivent Choice will go into our dedicated building fund account. For more information see Ron Beaber or Tim Byrne.

**GOLF OUTING:** "Golf Outing at the Hills", April 24, 2010. Registration begins at 9:00 AM, Shotgun starts at 10:00 AM. \$45.00 per player - Continental breakfast, lunch, cash prizes and raffles. Please come out and support our Redeemer Youth Group. Sign up in narthex between services. Questions please see or call Lisa Vassallo at 698-0093 or Barb Duff at 661-1432. Thank you!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Today's altar flowers are given by Betty Foster to the Glory of God.

**CHILD CARE BASKET:** Don't miss the Child Care basket located near the men's restroom for needed supplies of non-scented baby wipes, paper towels, trash bags, and snacks. Thank you very much for your support.

**ENGLEWOOD HELPING HAND:** The pantry is in need of the following items: Shampoo, Laundry Detergent, Toilet Paper, Tuna, Chicken, Spaghetti-Os, Jelly, Condiments (Mayo, Ketchup, Mustard) and Diapers (sizes 2 – 6). Thank you.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTE:** Today in Sunday School, the children learned how Jesus revealed Himself to the disciples after Easter in another miraculous catch of fish (John 21:1–14). As a family, talk about how Jesus reveals Himself to us in the means of grace, calling us to be disciples and giving us Easter joy. Especially discuss the blessings of Baptism and how through water and God's Word each of us puts on Christ. What does that mean for your lives now and in eternity?

**TALK RADIO FOR LUTHERANS AND FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO KNOW... BIBLE STUDY 101...** You can listen to a Bible study for laypeople led by some of the best teachers in the LCMS. Books include: Job, Genesis, Luke, Proverbs, Psalms, Romans and more. Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio. You can listen at your convenience at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org).

**USHERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED:** If you would like to volunteer as an usher, please pick your date and service time (8:00 AM or 10:30 AM). Sign up on the board in the narthex. If you have any questions, or are unsure about being an usher, call Tom Kirkland at 474-6407. He will do a walk through of usher duties upon request.

**DONATIONS TO CHILD CARE AND/OR ANGEL FUND:** Members and visitors – If you make a donation to the Child Care or Angel Fund, please make checks payable to Redeemer Child Care. They now have their own checking account. Thank you.

**HULA CLASS:** Tuesday mornings at 9:00 AM – Hula class in the Fellowship Hall! Cost is \$6.00 per session. It is absolutely the best thing you can do for yourself! Great

### **The Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

C **And also with you.**

P 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.**

*Please Sit*

**The Feeding of the Lambs:** *“Let's Go Fishing”*

**The Children's Choir:** *“Love In a Box” (10:30 Service)*

### **The First Reading**

*Acts 9:1–22*

<sup>1</sup>But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?” <sup>5</sup>And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And he said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup>But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.” <sup>7</sup>The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. <sup>8</sup>Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup>And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

<sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.” <sup>11</sup>And the Lord said to him, “Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, <sup>12</sup>and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.” <sup>13</sup>But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name.” <sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. <sup>16</sup>For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.” <sup>17</sup>So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me

so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.”<sup>18</sup> And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized;<sup>19</sup> and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus.<sup>20</sup> And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, “He is the Son of God.”<sup>21</sup> And all who heard him were amazed and said, “Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?”<sup>22</sup> But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

P The Word of the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

**The Second Reading**

*Revelation 5:8-14*

<sup>8</sup>And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.<sup>9</sup> And they sang a new song, saying,

“Worthy are you to take the scroll  
and to open its seals,  
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
<sup>10</sup>and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,  
and they shall reign on the earth.”

<sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,<sup>12</sup> saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”<sup>13</sup> And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”<sup>14</sup> And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

P The Word of the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please Stand*

**The Alleluia and Verse**

*John 6:68*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

**SERVING IN THE LORD’S HOUSE**

**Celebrant, Officiant and Preacher:**

**Rev. James T. Kress, Sr., Pastor, Redeemer Lutheran Church**

Elder on Duty: 8:00 AM – Roger Luedtke, 10:30 AM – George Cancellieri  
 Communion Elder: 8:00 AM – Roger Luedtke, 10:30 AM – Ed Doenges  
 Acolyte: 8:00 AM – Haley Scott  
 10:30 AM – Maddy Keller  
 Coffee Hour: Melissa Brew and Angie Ziegler  
 Organist: 8:00 AM – Bill Bowers, 10:30 AM – Bill Bowers  
 Altar Guild: Carol Sheahan & Avis Stuck  
 Greeters: 8:00 AM – Ed & Carol Sheahan  
 10:30 AM – Ray Janssen and Sam Jollay  
 Ushers: 8:00 AM – Steve & Lee Procuk, Olga Nagel, Harold Hale  
 10:30 AM – Elma Cancellieri, Shirley Zatkalik, Vickie Fernald, Tom Kirkland

**CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 19<sup>th</sup> THRU APRIL 25<sup>th</sup>**

**MONDAY:** 5:30 PM Weight Watcher’s  
7:30 PM Englewood East Homeowner’s Meeting

**TUESDAY:** 9:00 AM Hula Class  
7:00 PM Board of Christian Education  
7:00 PM AA Meeting

**THURSDAY:** 10:00 AM Senior Fellowship  
3:00 – 5:30 PM Youth Confirmation  
5:30 – 7:30 PM Extended Youth Confirmation

**FRIDAY:** 6:00 PM Thrivent Faith Night - Stonecrabs Baseball

**SUNDAY:** 8:00 AM Worship Service  
9:15 AM Sunday School and Bible Class  
9:15 AM VOTER’S MEETING  
10:30 AM Worship Service  
Youth Outing  
BLOOD PRESSURE  
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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**WELCOME!** It is our pleasure to worship with you this morning here in God's house. It is our sincere desire that the Holy Spirit will deepen the faith of each one of us through God's holy Word. We ask ALL members and visitors to please PRINT their name, children, local address and phone number in our *Record of Fellowship* book in the pew. Visitors, please be sure to introduce yourself to our Pastor as you leave the sanctuary.

**A QUIET REMINDER:** Worshipers are reminded that the “quiet times”...during the pre-service Prelude and the Offering ...are intended for personal meditation and prayer. **Please keep conversation to a minimum.** You are encouraged to make use of our beautiful narthex for visiting. Thank you.

**Gratitude For God’s Blessings:** Revelation 5:8-14: In this portion of God’s revelation to John he heard the shouts of praise because Jesus had died and rose again to make sinners part of a kingdom of priests who serve God. We are also part of that kingdom of priests, or stewards, who serve God with our wise management of all that God entrusts to us

**PRAY FOR**

**SHUT-INS:** Gloria Carlson, Evelyn Etheridge, Ruth Jansch, Laura Simis and Ruth Sutley.

**HEALING: Members:** Henrietta Appold, Anthony Bruno, Doris Dykhuizen, Gene Eiler, Virginia Glotzhober, Becky Heichelbech, Wendy Horvath, Dick Hughes, Bob Johnson, Cliff Larsen, Gary Lute, Clara Mitchell, Leona Morrison, Bob Mortenson, Herb Petersen, Don Plesner, Tom Poyer, Henry Rudolph, Duwayne Shoeneck, Ashley Schultz, Sam Simonson, Ed Sita, Anna Smith, Russ Spooner, Earl Stuck, Arlene Twombly, Lee Vandercook, Ronald Woller, Barbara Wolgast.

**Friends & Relatives:** Lorraine Agens, Grace Blum, Georgia Bush, Julie Carroll, Shirley Chattin, Lisa Clemens, Carly DeFeos, John Denick, Don Francis, Bruce Gnatkowski II, Debbie Harrison, Larry Headun, Glory Herget, Bill Hillis, Robin Hincman, Tom Holt, Bob Jamney, Douglas Johnson, Heather Johnson, Rachel Kagay, Howard Kagay, Janice Kahlich, Julie Keck, Louis Kirkland, Rev. Howie Krienke, Elsie Malecki, Dan Mason, Joe Manson, Patrick McCord, Linda Merisko, Pete Mogg, Kaye Ann Nagel, Judy Nagel, Charles Pentecost Jr., Sherrie Rhoades, Donna Santora-Vovcsko, Audrey Slusher, Nancy Sly, Michael Stio, Marion Talley, Phyllis Tucker, Helen Weishaar, and Andrew Wolgast.

**Military Personnel:** Daniel Anderson, Col. Dennis Beatty, Adam Buchner, Eric Byrne, Kevin Copeman, Christopher Dutch, Michael Garza, Stephen Geib, Christopher Hankins, Brian Hollis, Jonathan Hudson, Nathan Hudson, Brian Jackson, Keith Janssen, Josh Johnson, Joshua Jones, Michael Monson, Christian Mosser, Luis Oquendo, Jeremy Schaitz, Jeremy Twombly, Katherine Utroska, Matthew Walenta, and Charles Weishaar.



**The Holy Gospel Reading**

*John 21:1-14*

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.
- C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, “Children, do you have any fish?” They answered him, “No.” <sup>6</sup>He said to them, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. <sup>8</sup>The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**The Nicene Creed**

- C **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.

*Please Sit*

**The Hymn of the Day:** “With High Delight Let Us Unite” **LSB 483**

**The Sermon:** “Why Do You Persecute Me?”

*Please Stand*

**The Offertory** *Psalm 51:10-12*

☒ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.  
 He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy  
 with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

**The Post-Communion Collect**

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

**The Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

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 T give you peace.

C Amen.

**The Recessional Hymn:** “Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven” **LSB 477**

T **Soli Deo Gloria** T

*Postlude*

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Please Sit*

**Holy Communion Instruction:** In respect of the teachings of Holy Scripture (*Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:15-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26*), and in loving concern for all people, we ask that only confirmed members of our congregation, members of other LCMS congregations, and Lutheran Church bodies with whom we are in fellowship commune at the Table of our Lord. God clearly says in His word that while communion is meant to bring great blessings, the unexamined and undiscerning “*eat and drink judgment to themselves*” (*1 Corinthians 11:29*). Therefore, the nature of this Sacrament requires careful administration. If you have any questions, please speak to the pastor or to an elder.

**The Distribution Hymns**

- “Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen” *LSB 474*
- “Wide Open Stand the Gates” *LSB 639*
- “Feed Thy Children God Most Holy” *LSB 774*

*Please Stand*

**The Post-Communion Canticle**

**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

*Please Sit*

**The Gathering of Tithes and Offerings**

*Please Stand*

**The Prayer of the Church**

*[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

- P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*Response following each petition*

- P ... Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.**

**The Service of the Sacrament of the Altar**

**The Preface**

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.**

- P Lift up your hearts.
- 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.**

### The Proper Preface

- P It is truly good, 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:

### The Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

### The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

- P 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 T 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 T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.
- C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### The Lord’s Prayer

*Matthew 6:9–13*

- 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.**

### The Pax Domini

*John 20:19*

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

### The Agnus Dei

*John 1:29*

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have