

# HE IS RISEN!

Thus it is written, that the Christ  
should suffer and on the third day  
rise from the dead, and that  
*repentance* and *forgiveness*  
of sins should be  
*proclaimed*  
in his name to all nations,  
beginning from Jerusalem.  
*You are witnesses of these things.*

*Luke 24:45-48*

**Welcome to**  
**SAINT PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD**

***Third Sunday of Easter***

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We are delighted to have you with us as we celebrate God's love for us in Jesus! If you have any questions or needs please feel free to ask an usher, Pastor, or anyone here at St. Paul's.

### **As We Worship**

**Prepare** for worship in stillness and prayer.

**Enjoy** worship by lifting your voice and heart to God.

**Close** worship by enjoying the fellowship of one another.

**After** worship, the service begins!

Go out and serve the Lord in all areas of life!

***All members and guests*** are asked to fill out the registration card in your pew rack and place it in the basket on the table or hand it to an usher as you leave.

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship ~ Ringing of the Bells**

### **The Order of Worship**

Lutheran Service Book –  
Divine Service One

## Hymn of Invocation

*“The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done”*

LSB #464

### Invocation *(please stand)*

P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

### Confession and Absolution

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth  
is not in us.

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.

All **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  
(+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

### Service of the Word

#### Introit

*Ps. 30:1-5; antiphon Ps. 16:11b*

P In your presence there is fullness of joy;

C **at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

P I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up  
C **and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**

P O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,  
C **and you have healed me.**

P O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;  
C **you restored me to life from among those  
who go down to the pit.**

P Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,  
C **and give thanks to his holy name.**

P For his anger is but for a moment,  
and his favor is for a lifetime.  
C **Weeping may tarry for the night,  
but joy comes with the morning.**

All **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy  
Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be  
forever. Amen.**

P In your presence there is fullness of joy;  
C **at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

### **Kyrie**

*LSB 152*

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray  
to the Lord.  
C **Lord, have mercy.**

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.  
C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
C **Amen.**

## Hymn of Praise ~ Gloria in Excelsis

**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.

**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:  
We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.  
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:  
You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.  
For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,  
You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

### Salutation

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

### Collect of the Day

- 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.

**All Amen.**

*(be seated)*

**Choir Anthem**

*"Jesus Lead Thou On"*

Text: Nicolas von Zinzendorf

Harmonization by J.S. Bach

**First Reading**

*Acts 3:11-21*

<sup>11</sup> While he clung to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astounded, ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's. <sup>12</sup> And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? <sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup> But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup> and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup> And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

<sup>17</sup> "And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup> But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. <sup>19</sup> Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, <sup>20</sup> that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, <sup>21</sup> whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

1 John 3:1-7

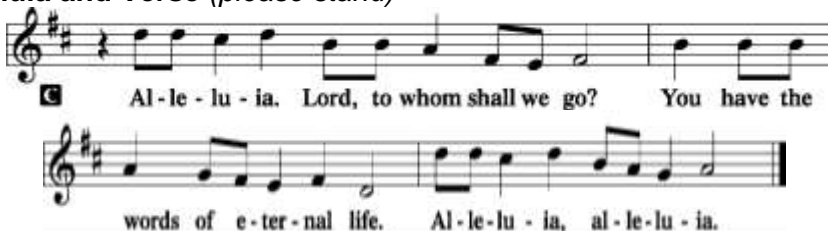
<sup>1</sup> See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup> Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup> You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup> No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup> Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia and Verse (*please stand*)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36-49

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>36</sup> As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" <sup>37</sup> But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. <sup>38</sup> And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" <sup>39</sup> See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." <sup>40</sup> And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup> And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here

to eat?" <sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate before them.

<sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup> And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*(be seated)*

### **Children's Message**

**Hymn of the Day**     *"Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia"*     LSB #466

### **Sermon**

#### **Apostles' Creed**

**All** 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 ever-lasting. Amen.**

*(be seated)*

### **Presentation of the Offering**



## Prayers of the Church

(After each portion of the prayers)

P Lord, in Your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**

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

P All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

## Lord's

**All 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.**

## Benedicamus

P Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Benediction

P May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ (+),  
And the love of God,  
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
Be with you all.

**C Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

*"Make Songs of Joy"*

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## Silent Prayer

*(be seated)*

## Postlude

*"Soli Deo Gloria"*

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