



Sunday, April 19, 2026
The Third Sunday of Easter

Service Theme
HE LIVES TO RESTORE MY HOPE

Without the resurrection of Jesus, we would have little hope for the future. That's how the disciples felt after this death. "We hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel" (Luke 24:19). Their hope for a better life had died along with Jesus. But he lives, and it makes a difference. Our hope for the future is restored. We have victory over the feeling of hopelessness, because the one who heals us and gives us a better life is himself alive. He lives to restore our hope.



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455 Alleluia! Jesus Lives

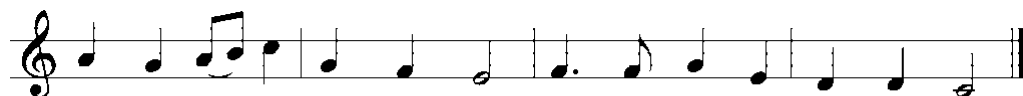
CW 455



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus lives! He is now the Liv - ing One;
2 Je - sus lives! Let all re - joice; praise him, ran-somed ones of earth.
3 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and fre - quent sigh?
4 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, life is yours e - ter - nal - ly;



from the gloom - y house of death forth the con - quer - or has gone,
Praise him in a no - bler song, cher - u - bim of heav'n - ly birth.
He who died our broth - er here lives our broth - er still on high,
joined to him, your liv - ing head, where he is, you too shall be;



bright fore - run - ner to the skies of his peo - ple, yet to rise.
Praise the Vic - tor - King, whose sway sin and death and hell o - bey.
lives for - ev - er to be - stow bless - ings on his Church be - low.
you with him at his right hand vic - tor o - ver death shall stand.

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Order of Service

(Service of Word and Sacrament)

The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

Confession of Sins

God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Prayer and Praise

For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.




C: Lord, have mer - cy.

Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,




but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the



King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

Prayer of the Day

O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 32–41

The message of Christ crucified and risen gives the certain hope of forgiveness to sinners.

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them:

³²“This Jesus is the one God has raised up. We are all witnesses of that. ³³So, after he was exalted to the right hand of God and after he received the promised Holy Spirit from the Father, he poured out what you are now seeing and hearing.

³⁴“For David did not ascend into heaven, and yet he says:

The Lord said to my Lord,
‘Sit at my right hand,
³⁵until I make your enemies
a footstool under your feet.’

³⁶“Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.”

³⁷Now when the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Gentlemen, brothers, what should we do?”

³⁸Peter answered 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.

³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far away, as many as the Lord our God will call.”

⁴⁰He testified solemnly with many other words and was appealing to them, saying, “Escape from this crooked generation.”

⁴¹Those who accepted his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand people were added.

Psalm 116

Refrain

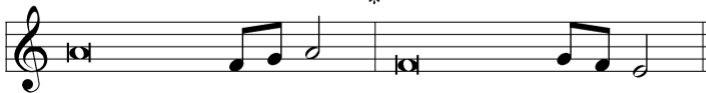


I will walk in the pres-ence of the Lord,



in the land of the liv - ing.

Psalm tone



I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;*

he heard my cry for mercy.

Because he turned his ear to me,*

I will call on him as long as I live.

The LORD is gracious and righteous;*

when I was in great need, he saved me. (*Refrain*)

For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,*

my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

How can I repay the LORD*

for all his goodness to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation*

and call on the name of the LORD.

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. (*Refrain*)

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17–21

Our hope and expectation is joining our Savior in the glory of heaven. Until that day, we live as pilgrims heading toward home.

¹⁷If you call on the Father who judges impartially, according to the work of each person, conduct yourselves during the time of your pilgrimage in reverence, ¹⁸because you know that you were redeemed from your empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, not with things that pass away, such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was chosen before the foundation of the world but revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹Through him you are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Verse of the Day

John 20:31



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Jesus restored the hope of two disciples as he explained the Scriptures.

¹³Now, on that same day, two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴They were talking with each other about all of these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing this, Jesus himself approached and began to walk along with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷He said to them, “What are you talking about as you walk along?” Saddened, they stopped.

¹⁸One of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

¹⁹“What things?” he asked them.

They replied, “The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet, mighty in deed and word before God and all the people. ²⁰The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be condemned to death. And they crucified him. ²¹But we were hoping that he was going to redeem Israel. Not only that, but besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Also some women of our group amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning. ²³When 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. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb. They found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.”

²⁵He said to them, “How foolish you are and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and to enter his glory?” ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

²⁸As they approached the village where they were going, he acted as if he were going to travel farther. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, since it is almost evening, and the day is almost over.”

So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he reclined at the table with them, he took the bread, blessed it, broke it, and began giving it to them. ³¹Suddenly their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. Then he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was speaking to us along the road and while he was explaining the Scriptures to us?” ³³They got up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem. They found the Eleven and those who were with them assembled together. ³⁴They were saying, “The Lord really has been raised! He has appeared to Simon.” ³⁵They themselves described what had happened along the road, and how they recognized him when he broke the bread.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

783 Abide with Me

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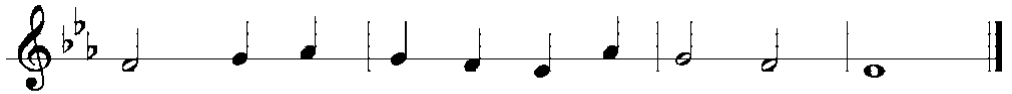
1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
 3 Come not in ter - rors, as the King of kings,
 4 Thou on my head in ear - ly youth didst smile,
 5 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
 earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;
 but kind and good, with heal - ing in thy wings,
 and though re - bel - lious and per - verse mean - while,
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see;
 tears for all woes, a heart for ev - 'ry plea;
 thou hast not left me oft as I left thee;
 Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?



help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
 come, Friend of sin - ners, thus a - bide with me.
 on to the close, O Lord, a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me!

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Sermon

Luke 24:13-35

Your Risen Lord walks with you.

- 1) He sees your sadness.
- 2) He listens to your laments.
- 3) He corrects your confusion.
- 4) His revelation revives your hope.

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from
true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from
heaven,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin
Mary, and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with
the Scriptures.**

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified,**

who has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic
Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Offertory Prayer

Prayer of the Church

Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.

Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

The Sacrament

The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts.



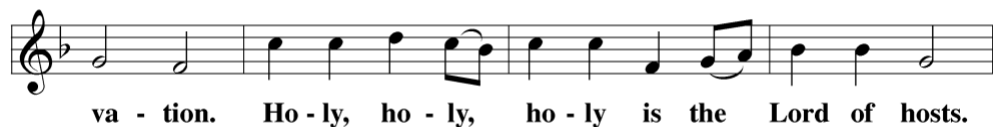
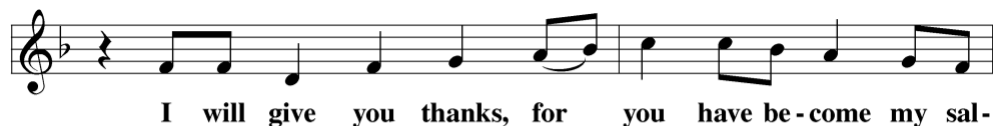
C: We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



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

Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. *In the past he spoke to us through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory.* Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:



Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - men.

Thanksgiving



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news 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!

Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

(Sing) Amen

Blessing

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

(Sing) Amen. Amen. Amen.

458 Christ Is Arisen

CW 458



Christ is a - ris - en from the grave's dark pris - on.



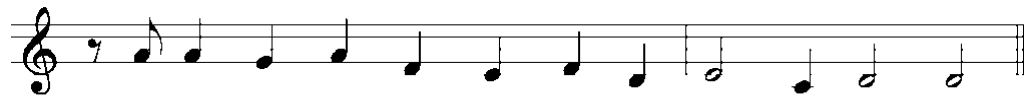
We now re - joice with glad - ness; Christ will end all sad - ness.



Lord, have mer - cy. All our hopes were end - ed



had Je - sus not as - cend - ed from the grave tri - um - phant - ly.



For this, Lord Christ, our thanks shall be. Lord, have mer - cy.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! We now re - joice with glad - ness;



Christ will end all sad - ness. Lord, have mer - cy.

Announcements

Church Cleaners

April 26 – Timothy / May 3 – Mark

DIVINE WORD'S TWO-WEEK CALENDAR

- Su (19) 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study**
10:30 am Worship (with Communion)
11:45 am Coffee Hour
3:00 pm Worship in Poltimore
4:00 pm Youth Confirmation in Poltimore
- Tu (21) 7:00 pm Elder's Meeting
- We (22) 7:00 pm Communicating Christ
- Fr (24) 3:00 pm Women's Bible Study
6:00 pm Friday Fellowship
- Su (26) 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study**
10:30 am Worship
11:45 am Coffee Hour
12:00 am Evangelism Meeting
- Tu (28) 7:00 pm Council Meeting
- We (29) 7:00 pm Communicating Christ
- Fr (1) 3:00 pm Women's Bible Study
- Su (3) 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study**
10:30 am Worship (with Communion)
11:45 am First Fellowship
12:00 pm Divine Sisters
3:00 pm Worship in Poltimore
4:00 pm Youth Confirmation in Poltimore