

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church  
1720 E Minnehaha Parkway  
Minneapolis, MN 55407**



**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 1, 2022**

Silent Prayer Before Worship: Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and LORD, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **Welcome**

**Opening Hymn, ELW 391** [red hymnal] or **WOV 676** [softcover]  
"This Joyful Eastertide"

## **Invocation**

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

**C: Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD,

**C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

## **Confession of Sins and Absolution**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my LORD Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{H}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### Gloria Patri



**C** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

### Kyrie



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### Gloria in Excelsis



**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



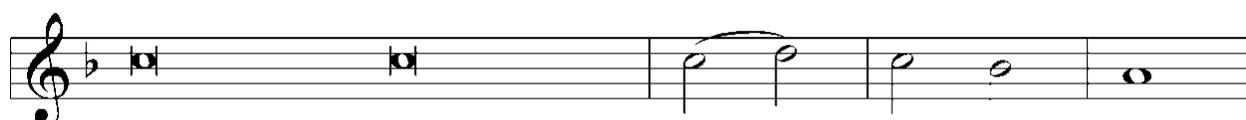
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



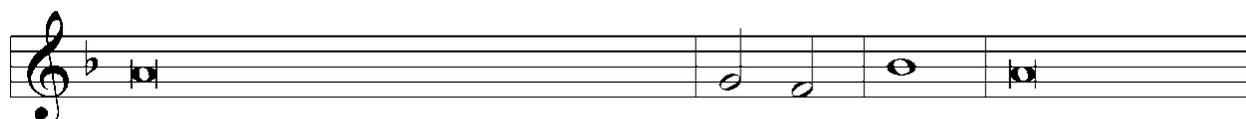
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



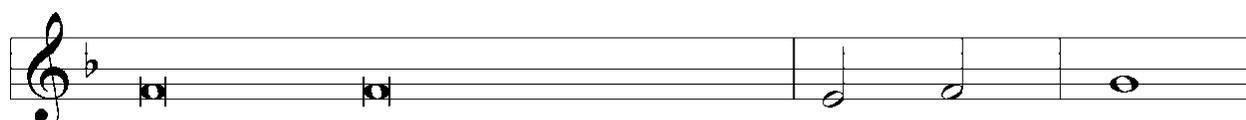
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



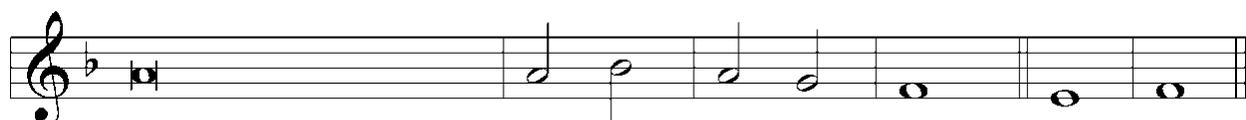
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

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

P: The LORD be with you.

**C: And with thy spirit.**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Open our lives, we pray, O LORD our God...so that we can see You in our lives, and then respond in such a way that we will serve You by helping those You have placed into our lives. We ask this in Your blessed name, Jesus. Amen.**

## **First Reading, Acts 9:1-22 (NIV)**

*Saul's (Paul's) life is radically changed.*

Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the LORD's disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute Me?"

"Who are You, LORD?" Saul asked.

"I am Jesus, Whom you are persecuting," He replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything.

In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The LORD called to him in a vision, "Ananias!"

"Yes, LORD," he answered.

The LORD told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight."

"LORD," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on Your name."

But the LORD said to Ananias, "Go! This man is My chosen instrument to proclaim My name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for My name."

Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the LORD – Jesus, Who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here – has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit. Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus. At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God. All those who heard him were astonished and asked, "Isn't he the man who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name? And hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?" Yet Saul grew more and more powerful and baffled the Jews living in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Messiah.

L: This is the Word of the LORD.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Second Reading, Psalm 30 (NIV)**

*Our LORD is a God of mercy (which overcomes His anger).*

I will exalt You, LORD, for You lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me.

LORD my God, I called to You for help, and You healed me.

You, LORD, brought me up from the realm of the dead; You spared me from going down to the pit.

Sing the praises of the LORD, you His faithful people; praise His holy name. For His anger lasts only a moment, but His favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.

When I felt secure, I said, "I will never be shaken." LORD, when You favored me, You made my royal mountain stand firm; but when You hid Your face, I was dismayed. To You, LORD, I called; to the LORD I cried for mercy:

"What is gained if I am silenced, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it proclaim Your faithfulness?

Hear, LORD, and be merciful to me; LORD, be my help." You turned my wailing into dancing; You removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing Your praises and not be silent.

LORD my God, I will praise You forever.

L: This is the Word of the LORD.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Alleluia



### Holy Gospel, John 21:1-14 (NIV)

*Jesus greets His disciples once again following His resurrection.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to John:

**C: Glory be to Thee, O LORD.**

Jesus appeared again to His disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some."

When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the LORD!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the LORD," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.

Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the LORD. Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to His disciples after He was raised from the dead.

P: This is the Gospel of the LORD.

**C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

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**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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic\* 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.**      *\* catholic means universal*

**HYMN, ELW 799** [red hymnal] "Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake"

### **Sermon, "A Grace-Full Response"**

*"I am Jesus, Whom you are persecuting. Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." – Acts 9:5-6*

### **Offertory**



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

## Offering

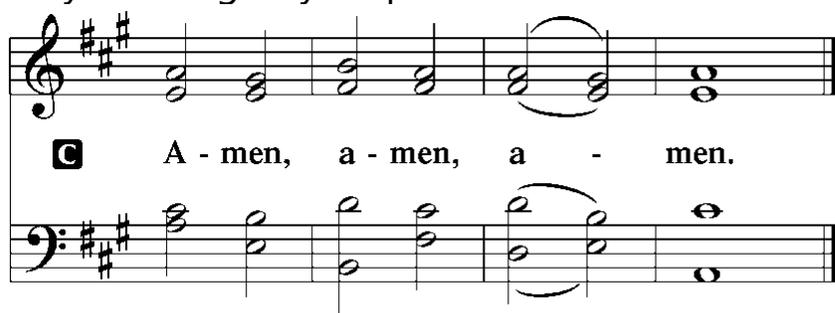
## Prayer of the Church

### 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.***

### Benediction

P: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



A-men, a-men, a-men.

## **Closing Hymn, ELW 368** [red hymnal] "With High Delight Let Us Unite"

### **Spoken Announcements**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Statistics**

Attendance on Sunday (4/24) was 27. The total offering was \$453 including \$5 to the Building Fund, \$1 to the Minneapolis Synod, and \$10 to Trinity First.

### **Now Available**

- Lutheran Disaster Response info for Ukraine on the back table.
- Info on the Minnehaha Creek Duck Race on the back table.
- May Newsletter

### **Celebrations This Week**

Happy Birthday to Tim Phelon (5/2), Peter Klatt (5/6).

Happy Anniversary to Peter and Gail Klatt (5/7).

### **Blood Drive**

The American Red Cross Bus will be at Holy Cross on Friday, May 20, from 1:00 to 7:00 PM. Please call (800) 733-2767 or RedCrossBlood.org and enter HCLC to schedule an appointment.

### **Treats Sign UP**

The signup sheet to bring treats for Sunday morning is in the narthex.

### **Easter Pictures Link**

Visit the Holy Cross website to see Easter worship and brunch pictures.

## SERVING THE LORD

### **Serving Today, May 1**

May Altar Guild: Mary Lange  
May Elder: Lyle Horrmann  
Choir Director: David Hinrichs  
Choir Accompanist: Wendy Kofoot  
Counter: Lynn Oolman & Sandi Likely  
Lector: Steve Blomberg  
Organist: Julie Wright  
Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger  
Recorder: James Blomberg  
Treats: Blombergs  
Usher: Tim Phelon

### **Serving Next Sunday, May 8**

May Altar Guild: Mary Lange  
May Elder: Lyle Horrmann  
Choir Director: David Hinrichs  
Choir Accompanist: Wendy Kofoot  
Counter: Adam Horrmann & Gail Klatt  
Lector: Andy Tatham  
Organist: Julie Wright  
Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger  
Recorder: James Blomberg  
Treats: No one is signed up  
Usher: Tim Phelon & Adam Horrmann