

# The Divine Service

## The Sixth Sunday of Easter

### May 22, 2022

#### AS WE GATHER

*"In that day," Jesus told the disciples in the Upper Room, "whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you." They could not understand, hearing Him before Easter and Pentecost. But we know now that the day has arrived, thanks to His death and resurrection, when our heavenly Father's ears are open to our every prayer. In this our day, we can anticipate by faith seeing Him and Jesus, the Lamb, in the perfect Jerusalem, as John writes in the reading from Revelation. Hearing the good news, Lydia, in the Reading from Acts, asked if the disciples deemed her worthy for Baptism. Indeed, with the gift of faith by the Holy Spirit, Christ's worthiness and her sins had been exchanged on the cross. She provided a home for Paul and Luke, and God had an eternal Jerusalem awaiting her entry. What Easter joy!*

#### WORDS OF WELCOME/THEME OF THE DAY

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

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the (†) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **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.**

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **Amen.**

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN "This is Amazing Grace"

### VERSE 1

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory the King above all kings

### VERSE 2

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory the King above all kings

### CHORUS

(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace  
This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

### VERSE 3

Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory the King of Glory

### VERSE 4

Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory the King above all kings

### BRIDGE

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy worthy worthy

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## GREETING

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

People: **Amen.**

## KYRIE

*Mark 10:47*

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: 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.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People: **Lord, have mercy.**


Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: **Amen.**



# THIS IS THE FEAST


*Refrain*




**C** 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



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

*Final Refrain*



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## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, the giver of all that is good, People: by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## **RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM**

### **This Joyous, Happy Day**

This is a joyous, happy day;  
We celebrate Your gift of life.  
Christ is with us, joy surrounds us.  
Christ takes our sin and sets us free;  
He fills our lives with endless life.  
Christ is with us; Christ unites us.  
Praise our Maker, praise the Spirit,  
Praise Christ Jesus.

## **THE FIRST READING**

*Acts 16:9-15*

Reader: <sup>9</sup>A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. <sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## THE EPISTLE

*Revelation 21:1-5a*

21 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. 4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." 5 And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## HALLE HALLE HALLE



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 5:1-9*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the Fifth chapter.

People: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. <sup>3</sup>In these lay a multitude of invalids —blind, lame, and paralyzed. <sup>5</sup>One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. <sup>6</sup>When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" <sup>7</sup>The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me." <sup>8</sup>Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." <sup>9</sup>And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## HYMN OF THE DAY

### "I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light"

#### VERSE 1

I want to walk as a child of the light  
I want to follow Jesus  
God set the stars to give light to the world  
The star of my life is Jesus

#### VERSE 2

I want to see the brightness of God  
I want to look at Jesus  
Clear Sun of righteousness shine on my path  
And show me the way to the Father

#### CHORUS

In Him there is no darkness at all  
The night and the day are both alike  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God  
Shine in my heart Lord Jesus

#### VERSE 3

I'm looking for the coming of Christ  
I want to follow Jesus  
When we have run with patience the race  
We shall know the joy of Jesus

## SERMON

**"All Things New"**

***Pastor Scott Henze***

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Petitions end, "Lord in your mercy" Congregation responds, "**Hear Our Prayer**"*

## OFFERING

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**People: Amen.**

**A word about Holy Communion:** We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in this sacrament and believe that in this eating and drinking, we receive the forgiveness of sins and the power to amend our sinful lives. Children who have not yet been instructed may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over the chest thus indicating they will not receive the elements. For those who prefer a non-alcoholic option please know that the center of the communion tray is white grape juice. A gluten free wafer is available upon request.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*Stand as you are able.*

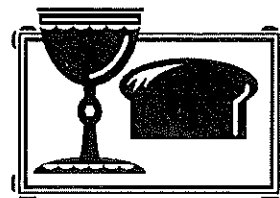
### PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**



Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### PROPER PREFACE

#### 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 LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

People: **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.**



## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### PEACE OF THE LORD

John 20:19

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

People: **And also with you.**

*The minister and congregation may greet one another with the peace of the Lord.*

### AGNUS DEI

John 1:29



☐ 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; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

### “Take My Life”

#### VERSE 1

Holiness holiness  
Is what I long for  
Holiness is what I need  
Holiness holiness  
Is what You want from me

#### VERSE 2

Faithfulness faithfulness  
Is what I long for  
Faithfulness is what I need  
Faithfulness faithfulness  
Is what You want from me

#### CHORUS

So take my heart and form it  
Take my mind transform it  
Take my will conform it  
To Yours to Yours oh Lord

#### VERSE 3

Righteousness righteousness  
Is what I long for  
Righteousness is what I need  
Righteousness righteousness  
Is what You want from me

## **“Promises”**

### **VERSE 1**

God of Abraham You're the God of covenant  
Of faithful promises  
Time and time again You have proven  
You do just what You say

### **PRE-CHORUS**

Though the storms may come  
And the winds may blow  
I'll remain steadfast  
And let my heart learn when You speak a  
word  
It will come to pass

### **CHORUS**

Great is Your faithfulness to me  
Great is Your faithfulness to me  
From the rising sun to the setting same  
I will praise Your name  
Great is Your faithfulness to me

### **INTERLUDE**

Oh  
Seasons change  
You remain the same

### **VERSE 2**

God from age to age  
Though the earth may pass away  
Your word remains the same yeah  
Your history can prove  
There's nothing You can't do  
You're faithful and true

### **INTERLUDE**

Oh Your faithfulness  
It never runs out  
It never runs out  
Oh Your faithfulness  
Oh it never runs out  
(Never runs out)  
It never runs out  
(Never runs out)

### **BRIDGE**

I put my faith in Jesus  
My anchor to the ground  
My hope and firm foundation  
He'll never let me down  
(REPEAT)

### **VAMP**

From the rising sun to the setting  
same  
I will praise Your name

### **VAMP**

I'll still bless You

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## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

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 in 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. Amen.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **BENEDICTION**

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

### **“Mighty to Save”**

#### **VERSE 1**

Ev'ryone needs compassion  
Love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on me  
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness  
The kindness of a Saviour  
The hope of nations

#### **VERSE 2**

So take me as You find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Ev'rything I believe in  
Now I surrender (Chorus)

#### **CHORUS**

Saviour He can move the mountains  
My God is mighty to save  
He is mighty to save  
Forever Author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave

#### **BRIDGE**

Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing  
For the glory of the risen King  
Jesus  
Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing  
For the glory of the risen King (Chorus)

## **DISMISSAL**

**Pastor:** Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as....

**People:** **Disciples making disciples.**

**Pastor:** Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God!**

*If you have a prayer request we invite you to come up to the altar following the worship service to pray with someone from our prayer team.*

**GIVING OF OUR MONEY HELPS US  
ESCAPE THE TRAP OF SELFISHNESS  
BY KEEPING OURSELVES FOCUSED  
ON GOD.**

“Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share” (1 Timothy 6:18).



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