

HOLY COMMUNION

at the break of day



Third Sunday in Easter
100th Anniversary Celebration
May 5, 2019 † 8:30 am
*Jesus appears to the disciples
beside the Sea of Tiberius*

Exploring the promise of God for all

*Christ is the Lamb who sits on heaven's great throne
surrounded by angels*

The disciples make a big splash and breakfast with the risen Jesus in the gospel. Wading in the water (remembering our baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating the holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us, with Peter, again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.

We Gather to Begin the Day Anew in Baptism

GATHERING MUSIC

"Rondeau Medievale"

Joel Martinson

At the sound of the bell please turn to face the worship leaders at the font.

GATHERING AROUND THE FONT

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presider begins.

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

A Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

GATHERING PSALM

Psalm 30

You have turned my wailing into dancing. (30:12)

P I give you high praise, for you, Lord, raised me up.
Lord, how I begged you, and you, God, healed me.

A You pulled me from the pit,
brought me back from the land of the dead.

P Celebrate, all you saints, praise this awesome God,
A Whose mercy lasts a lifetime —
as laughter fills a day after one brief night of tears.

P When all was going well, I thought I could never fall;
with God's powerful blessing, I would stand like a mountain!

A Then you hid your face; I shook with fear! I cried out, "Lord, Lord!"
I begged, I pleaded: "What good is my death to you?
Why push me down the pit?
Can dead bones praise you, recount your unbroken love?
Listen to me, O God, turn and help me now."

P You changed my anguish into this joyful dance,
pulled off my sackcloth, gave me bright new robes,
that my life might sing your glory, never silent in your praise.

A For ever I will thank you, O God.

**Give praise to the Father Almighty; to the Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord;
to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts; both now and forever. Amen.**

P Loving God, glorious in giving and restoring life, *(ELW psalm prayer)*
do not hide your face from your people
overcome with loneliness and fear.
Turn our weeping into dancing, our despair into joy,
and raise us up with Christ,
that we may rejoice in your presence forever;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

A Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

(hymn) 377

"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!"

stanzas 1, 2 & 5

We Listen to God's Word

GREETING

The presider continues with words of welcome.

READING FROM THE EARLY CHURCH

see Scripture insert

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The assembly stands and welcomes the gospel, singing:



before the reading:

P The holy gospel according to ...

A Glory to you, O Lord.

after the reading:

The gospel of the Lord.

A Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN

(hymn) 576

"We All Are One in Mission"

stanzas 1 - 3 out of ELW, stanza 4 below:

A vision still unfolding, a dream to be fulfilled.

A legacy to honor, a mission that's instilled.

Our God still leads us onward, through changes great and small,

Into a brighter future that's shared by one and all.

PRAYER FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF A CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

...Hear us, O God,

A your mercy is great.

Prayer of the Day concludes these prayers.

P 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, hear our prayer,
show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord, in whose name we pray.

A Amen.

We Feast Around the Table of the Lord

PEACE

P The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

A And also with you.

The assembly is invited to share God's peace with one another.

At the peace, children are invited to meet a pastor at the kid's table for the children's word; parents are welcome to come with their children.

OFFERING

When bread and wine are broken and shared in the Lord's Supper an offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. Please stand as the offering procession reaches the chancel.

"I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness"

Antonín Dvořák

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray together.

A Risen Christ,
receive these gifts,
with our hopes, dreams, and prayers.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread,
that our eyes may be opened to see your presence among us,
and our lives filled with the new life of your resurrection.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P** The Lord be with you.
A And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts.
A We lift them to the Lord.

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
A It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presider continues with the Great Thanksgiving, concluding:

Lord's Prayer (1975)

- A** 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.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Communion

"May God Be Merciful to Us" Kazimierz Hofman, arr. M. Sedio

All who come seeking Jesus are invited to receive these gifts of God.

Communion at this service is served standing at stations. Please follow the directions of the ushers.

Grape juice and gluten-free bread are available upon request. The benefits of the sacrament are fully present in either the bread or the wine, should health reasons prevent you from receiving one of them.

Children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.

silence for reflection concludes the communion

Prayer after Communion

- A** Let us pray.
God of abundance,
with this bread of life and cup of salvation
you have united us with Christ,
making us one with all your people.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
A Amen.

We Are Sent to Be God's Hands in the World

SENDING DIALOG

- A** For one hundred years
we have heard the holy and saving gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
A We have celebrated with joy the Easter mysteries.
A We have been nurtured at the holy table
and baptized into the priesthood of Christ.

- A** We offer ourselves now to the Lord of all creation
in thanksgiving for all that God has done for us.

- A** Go out from this Easter assembly
to proclaim the mighty works of the Lord.
A Let us bear God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

BLESSING

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
A Thanks be to God.

- P** May the risen Christ bring you all joy and peace in believing,
that you may abound in hope.

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

- A** Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen"

(hymn) 548

stanzas 1 - 3

DISMISSAL

- A** Alleluia! Christ is risen!
A Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

- A** Go in peace. Share the good news.
A Thanks be to God.

The carillon sends the assembly into mission.

POSTLUDE

"Festival Intrada"

Joel Martinson

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SERVING TODAY

Pastor D. Foy Christopherson, *presiding*
Pastor Peter Nycklemoe, *preaching*
Tom Allen, *assisting minister*
Diane Olson, *reader*
Brad Boogren, *crucifer*
Sara Gunsch, *butterfly banner*
Rod Richter, *torch bearer*
Jane Lien, *associate cantor/organist*
David Gindra, *soloist*
Pastor Melissa Pohlman,
Pastor Stephanie Friesen, *communion ministers*
Mark Kieffer, Marc Wilson, *sound operators*
Bill Masche, Bruce Bergeson-Meekins,
Dave West, Richard Stegall, *sacristans*
Larry Angeles, *lead usher for May*
100th Anniversary Committee, *greeters & hosts*

Please join us in the sanctuary following worship for fellowship.

This service is being streamed live on the internet: www.centralmpls.org

Chancel flowers this weekend are given by Christopher Haug and Karl Starr in observance of the May birth anniversaries of deceased brothers Kenneth Sverre Haug and Al Kenneth Starr. If you wish to donate flowers contact Judy Korogi 10 days in advance at 612-788-1288.



WELCOME

You are welcome. No exceptions.

Central Lutheran Church experiences God's expansive love and strives to share it abundantly. We affirm all people without regard to age, race, biological sex, housing status, ethnicity, sexual orientation, immigration, refugee or migration status, gender identity or expression, socioeconomic status, and physical or mental health or ability. All are a part of God's family, created in God's image. • We strive to practice radical hospitality with all people. Everyone is invited to immerse themselves in the life of this community of faith as we explore the promise of God for all. • Central Lutheran is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. We invite guests to complete the "Welcome to Central" card found in the pew racks and leave it with an usher or place it in the offering plate. If you would like more information about Central, please contact us at 612-870-4416, or email info@centralmpls.org.

Children are welcome at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available at Sanctuary entrances. The nursery may be found near the welcome desk. Nursery staff are provided on Sunday mornings.

Welcome to the Lord's Table. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to persons in designated access seating areas. If you are not in a designated access seating area and desire to commune where you are seated, please notify an usher who will direct communion ministers to come and serve you. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. Gluten-free breads and alcohol-free wine are available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

Welcome to the Holy Baptism. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome to receive Holy Baptism. Please visit with any worship leader, staff member, hospitality volunteer, contact the church office, or complete an information card, indicating that you wish to be baptized. A pastor will contact you.

Friends of Central...Stay connected

Across the country and beyond there are many people who have a soft spot in their heart for Central Lutheran Church – people who feel a connection both to the history and the ongoing mission of this congregation. If you're one of them, we invite you to join our network of Friends of Central. Pick up a brochure or visit our website for more information or to join.

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Third Sunday of Easter: Cycle C

Jesus appears to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias

FIRST READING

Acts 9:1-6

Paul's conversion, baptism, and preaching

Each of us has a story of meeting God's grace. Saul (later called Paul) was an ardent persecutor of all who followed the Way of Christ. This reading recounts the story of his transformation, beginning with an encounter with Jesus Christ on the way to Damascus.

Luke writes:

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

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🔊 Thanks be to God.

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Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. ²Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation — ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

⁶For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious;
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

⁷To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner,"

⁸and

"A stone that makes them stumble,
and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of

darkness into his marvelous light.

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GOSPEL

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John 21:1-19

The risen Christ appears again to his disciples by the sea where they were first called. After echoes of the fishing and feeding miracles, he gives a final reminder of the cost of a disciple's love and obedience.

📖 The holy gospel according to John.

🔊 Glory to you, O Lord.

After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way.

²Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³Simon 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.

⁴Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net to 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 there were so many fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. ⁸But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught."

¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

The gospel of the Lord.

🔊 Praise to you, O Christ.

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