



# The Season of Easter

April 28, 2024 10:00am

## *Church at Corinth*

*Jesus doesn't need you to get faith right.  
Jesus needs you to get faith going.*

Trusting God + Loving the World

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*Worshiping and Growing Together in Christ | Serving and Reaching Out Joyfully to All!*



## *Welcome! We're glad you're here!*

*If you are a guest and are interested in knowing more about this community and the ministries that Holy Shepherd is engaged in, please fill out the **Welcome Card** located in the pew racks. Once filled out, please place the card either in the offering basket as you come forward to receive communion or at the information desk as you enter the narthex. Thank you and we look forward to getting to know you!*

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

## Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

## Call to Worship

Come let us serve one another in Christ.

**As Christ loved and served, so will we.**

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**We will rejoice in the love of this community.**

## Confession & Forgiveness

*We begin with an honest assessment of our individual and communal life that falls short of fullness and wholeness. You are invited into this vulnerable space as a practice of opening to God's grace as we will experience it in worship.*

We confess our sins before God and one another.

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

Risen God, **we confess to you, to ourselves, and to one another that we have caused harm by the things we have said and done, and by the things we have not said and not done. Take away our sins that we might fully embody your commandment to love you with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

In grace and mercy, God forgives all our sins, and with joy and expectation calls us into new life for the sake of the world, through Jesus Christ our savior. **Amen.**

# Hymn of Praise



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free - dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo - ple of



God; to make all things new.

# Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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

# Prayer of Day

God of community, **you call us into loving and supportive relationship with one another in our church family. Through the Holy Spirit, unify our hearts and minds that together we might strive to bring your healing grace into the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*God speaks to us in scripture, preaching & song*

*Paul traveled to Corinth to encourage unity among the early Christians there – to call them to the kind of servant leadership modeled and taught by Jesus, himself.*

# Scripture Reading

Acts 18:1-4

After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. <sup>2</sup>There he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, who had recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had ordered all Jews to leave Rome. Paul went to see them, <sup>3</sup>and, because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them, and they worked together—by trade they were tentmakers. <sup>4</sup>Every sabbath he would argue in the synagogue and would try to convince Jews and Greeks.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

# Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." <sup>13</sup>Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

<sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)  
<sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. <sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia! (Repeat)**

## Holy Gospel

Mark 9:34-35

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## + Children's Time +

### Children's Church

*Children age 3yrs – 4<sup>th</sup> grade.  
After children's message, meet  
leader in back of church.*



### Faith Talk

*Youth 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade  
After worship*

## Message

# Song

## *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

ELW 579 vs. 1,2,4

**Lord, you give the great commission:  
"Heal the sick and preach the word."  
Lest the church neglect its mission,  
and the gospel go unheard,  
help us witness to your purpose  
with renewed integrity:**

### *Refrain*

***With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us  
for the work of ministry.***

**Lord, you call us to your service:  
"In my name baptize and teach."  
That the world may trust your promise,  
life abundant meant for each,  
give us all new fervor, draw us  
closer in community: *Refrain***

**Lord, you show us love's true measure:  
"Father, what they do, forgive."  
Yet we hoard as private treasure  
all that you so freely give.  
May your care and mercy lead us  
to a just society: *Refrain***



## Presentation of New Members

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for *these people*, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new *members* into the life and ministry of this congregation.

## Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People

Trusting in the promise of the resurrection we pray for the church,  
the world, and all in need.

*Prayer petitions response*

God of new life, **in mercy, hear our prayer.**

We place in your arms all for whom we pray, out loud or in our hearts, confident in  
your mercy and grace, through Jesus Christ, our savior. **Amen.**

## Sharing God's Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...  
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Holy

ELW 191

**Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might;  
heaven and earth are filled with your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in your name.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

## Words of Institution

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## 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.  
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.**

## Invitation

Jesus, our brother, invites you to experience his presence fully in this holy meal of bread and wine. Come and be nourished for a life lived in his name. All is prepared for you.





## Holy Communion - All Are Welcome

During the season of Easter, we stand for communion in honor of the resurrection. Come forward and starting at the center, fill in along the step. After you have received communion please exit by the side aisles and those waiting will then fill in the empty space. Bread (gluten-free) and wine or grape juice (center of the tray) will be given to you with the words spoken:

*“The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.”*

If you would like communion served in the pew, please signal to a pastor.

You are invited...

To bring an **offering** forward before or after worship or during Holy Communion.

The offering is gathered in front of the communion table where we are reminded of God’s gifts given to us in Christ and our response to these gifts.

## Communion Songs

ACS 962



	<i>Täs - sä</i>	<i>pöy - däs - sä,</i>		<i>täs - sä</i>
1	In this	feast of	love,	in this
2	In this	bread and	wine,	in this
3	Grant us	peace, O	Lord,	grant us



<i>pöy - däs - sä</i>	<i>syn - ti - sil - le</i>
feast of love,	Lord, you share your
bread and wine,	you have prom - ised,
peace, O Lord;	fill us with the



<i>it - se - si an - nat,</i>	<i>Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa!</i>
blood and your bod - y,	Je - sus, Lamb of God.
Lord, to be with us,	Lamb . . of God div - ine.
joy of your Spir - it,	ev - er - liv - ing Word.

When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss  
and pour contempt on all my pride.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down.  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were a present far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

## Prayer after Communion

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and  
blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give  
ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

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## Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy,  
and the Spirit of Easter hope ✝ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

### Refrain

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,  
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain***

**All newborn servants of the Crucified  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain***

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. *Refrain***

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain***

## Sending

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## Postlude

**Narrative Lectionary Worship  
Resources**

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## Worship Leadership

- Pastor: Julie Brooks, Kim Gonia
- Pianist: Emily Keelan
- New Members: Heather Graddy, Joe and Leanne Thompson, George and Phyllis Wittenberg, Joe, Josely & Whitney Navarro.
- Reader: Judy Ekberg
- Communion Assistants: Pat Mohrbacher, Gaylene Szaltzer
- Greeters: Bob & Gloria Lloyd
- Ushers: Bosak-Simmons Family
- Altar Guild: Judy Ekberg
- Children's Church: Bonnie Yockstick
- Teen Faith Talk: Chris Stuberg
- Technology: Jan Bybee, Mark Lee
- Fellowship Hosts: Jan & Nancy Bybee, Shirley & Larry Bradsby

### **Song Resource Key**

**ELW:** *Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal (Pew)*

**ACS:** *All Creation Sings*

**HSSB:** *Holy Shepherd Songbook*

**WOV:** *With One Voice*

**W&P:** *Worship & Praise*



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