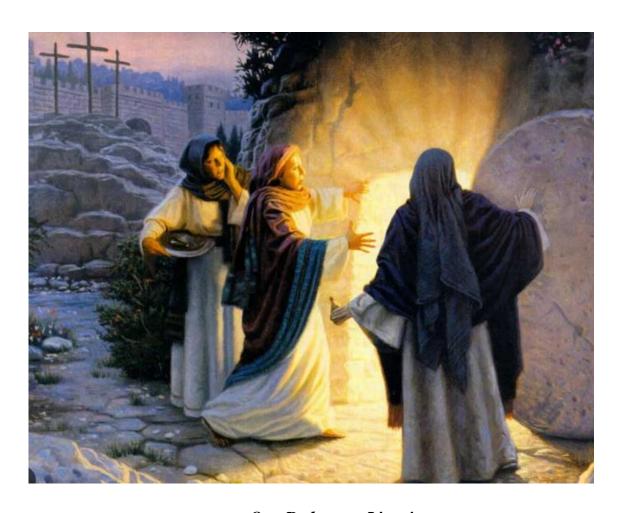
## **FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# April 20, 2025 Rev. Patrick Poock



#### Our Redeemer Lives!

In Adam, all die because all sin. The children of that first gardener have been driven out of Paradise and return to the dust whence they were taken. But now another Gardener has come, who has made His bed in the dust of the earth, and in His resurrection He has opened paradise for all the children of Adam. For "death is swallowed up in victory" (1 Cor. 15:54), and God "gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:57). So we each confess that "my Redeemer lives" and "in my flesh I shall see God" (Job 19:25, 26). As He has called us out of darkness into light and wiped away our tears, we behold Him now by faith and recognize His voice in the Gospel. We enter His tomb by the death of Holy Baptism, and we also share His resurrection. For as surely as He has risen, so we also one day "must rise from the dead" (John 20:9).

THE DIVINE SERVICE is celebrated each Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am and Wednesday at 5:00 pm. Bible Class is held on Sunday at 9:15 am and Wednesday at 3:30 pm and 6:30 pm.

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH** is a Christological, Scriptural, Confessional and Liturgical member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. We believe that God has called us to believe, teach and confess that Christ was crucified for our sins and we receive salvation by faith, which is a gift of God through His grace given to us in our baptism, as is revealed in the Holy Bible which is the inspired and inerrant Word of God. In response to His gift of salvation we eagerly desire to do good works out of thanksgiving and praise to the Triune God.

#### **COMMUNION STATEMENT**

Because we take the Word of God seriously and we love our visitors, we ask that if you are not a member of Faith Lutheran or another LCMS church, please refrain from taking communion until you have talked with Pastor Poock. In the meantime, we would love to have you participate by coming forward and receiving a blessing.

Communion offers the immense blessing of forgiveness of our sins. However, it can be taken to one's judgment if not properly understood. 1 Cor 11:27,29 says, "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the LORD in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the LORD...For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."

We teach that a person receives the real Body and the real Blood of Jesus Christ "in, with and under the bread and wine." It is not symbolic or merely a spiritual presence.

## **WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!**

We rejoice to have you with us today. The liturgy is found in the Lutheran Service Book in the rack in front of you. You may place this bulletin in the back of your hymnal to help you follow along with the order of service. The Propers for the day are printed within the bulletin. Please read the message in this bulletin concerning reception of Holy Communion at our church.

The second quarter of 2025 is designated by Pastor and the Elders for **Agape Flights.** 

Agape Flights is a nonprofit Christian aviation ministry delivering cargo, mail and humanitarian aid to hundreds of mission partners serving in the Caribbean. Mission flights depart weekly from Agape's hangar in Venice, Florida to Haiti, the Bahamas, and the Dominican Republic and deliver humanitarian aid to Cuba as regulations allow. Agape also speeds relief response throughout the Caribbean. Missionaries who live and work in some of the most challenging mission fields in the world depend on Agape's service, stateside connection, and aircraft to transport the immediate provision they need.

## Weekly Memory Verse Job 19:25–27

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!



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#### + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

#### **INVOCATION**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the 

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION LSB 203

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION OF SINS LSB 203

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

#### PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

- Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

#### + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

*INTROIT* Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b

Pastor: I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;

Cong: the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

Pastor: The LORD is my strength and my song,

Cong: and he has become my salvation.

Pastor: Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,

Cong: your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

Pastor: You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;

Cong: you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

Pastor: You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,

Cong: the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,

Pastor: the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.

Cong: The LORD will reign forever and ever.

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.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 204



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3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth! O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo-ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re-ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 19:23–27

<sup>23</sup>"Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

- <sup>24</sup>Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever!
- <sup>25</sup>For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
- <sup>26</sup>And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God,
- whom I shall see for myself,and my eyes shall behold, and not another.My heart faints within me!"
- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 15:51–57

<sup>51</sup>Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, <sup>52</sup>in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. <sup>53</sup>For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

"Death is swallowed up in victory."

<sup>55</sup>"O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

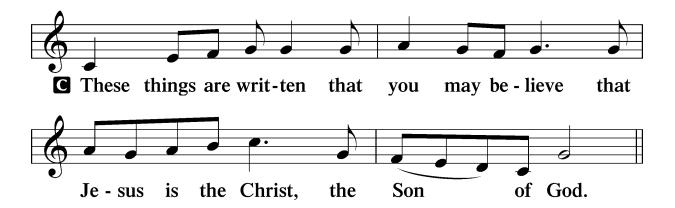
<sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### ALLELUIA AND VERSE



VERSE LSB 205



ALLELUIA LSB 205



HOLY GOSPEL John 20:1–18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

## **C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup>So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples went back to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. <sup>12</sup>And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup>Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

#### NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

whose kingdom will have no end.

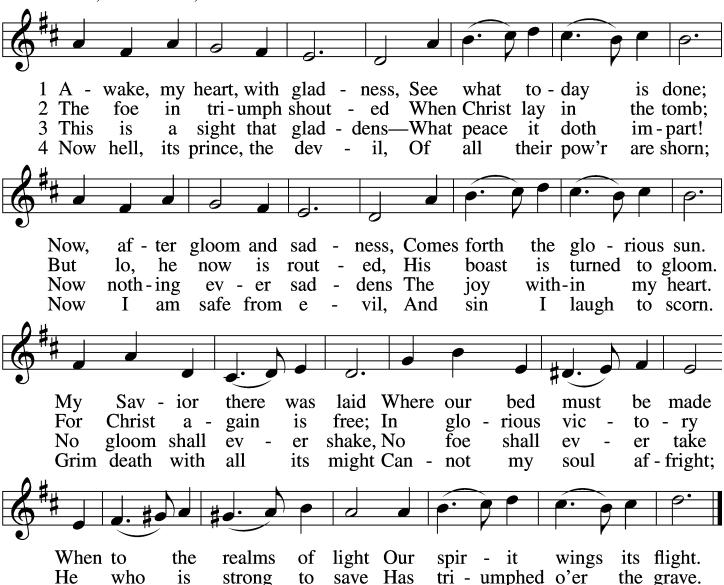
the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

# and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

#### 467 AWAKE, MY HEART, WITH GLADNESS



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5 The world against me rages,

Its fury I disdain;

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Though bitter war it wages,

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Its work is all in vain.

My heart from care is free,

No trouble troubles me.

Misfortune now is play, And night is bright as day.

- To Christ, my Savior true;
  My Lord will leave me never,
  Whate'er He passes through.
  He rends death's iron chain;
  He breaks through sin and pain;
  He shatters hell's grim thrall;
  I follow Him through all.
- That leads to bliss untold,
  Whereon this rhyme immortal
  Is found in script of gold:
  "Who there My cross has shared
  Finds here a crown prepared;
  Who there with Me has died
  Shall here be glorified."

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**SERMON** 

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**OFFERING** 





#### + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE 208

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- **P** It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS LSB 208



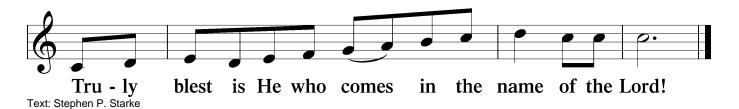
**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san-na to the Lord;



#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

#### 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.

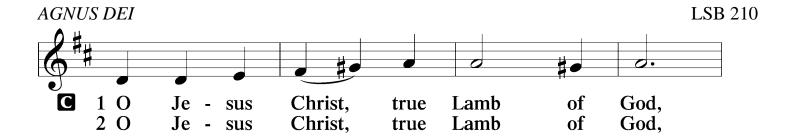
#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

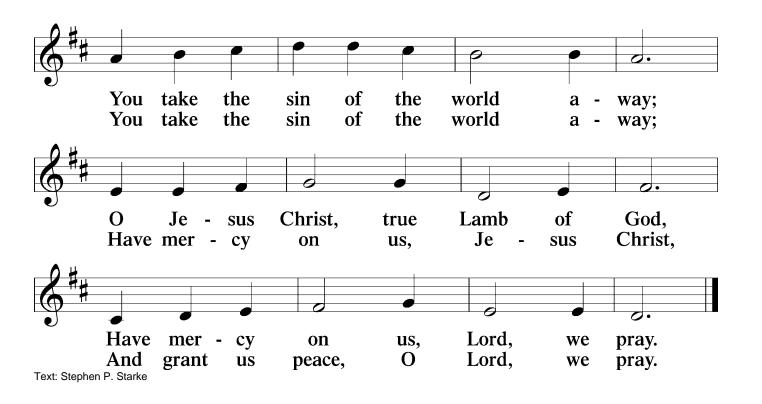
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

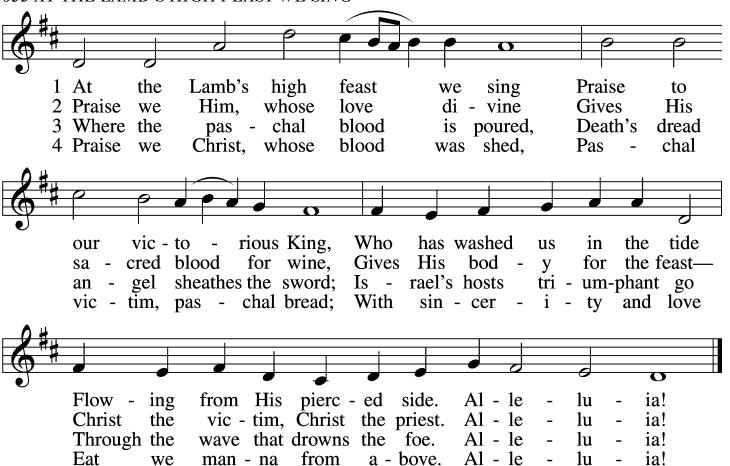
#### PAX DOMINI

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.





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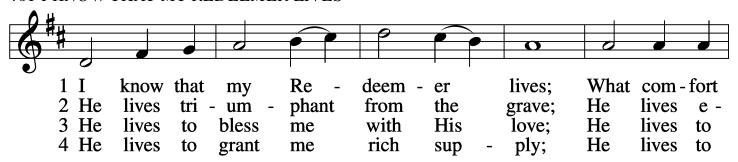


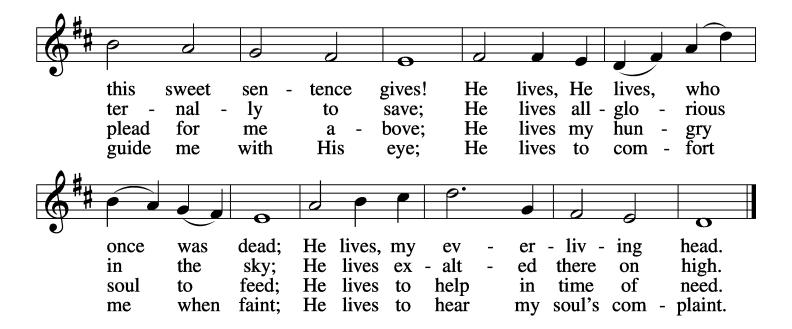
- Mighty Victim from the sky,Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;You have conquered in the fight,You have brought us life and light.Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall,
  Now no more the grave enthrall;
  You have opened paradise,
  And Your saints in You shall rise.
  Alleluia!
- Easter triumph, Easter joy!
   This alone can sin destroy;
   From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
   Newborn souls in You to be.
   Alleluia!
- △ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
  Savior, by whose death we live,
  Spirit, guide through all our days:
  Three in One, Your name we praise.
  Alleluia!

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#### 461 I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

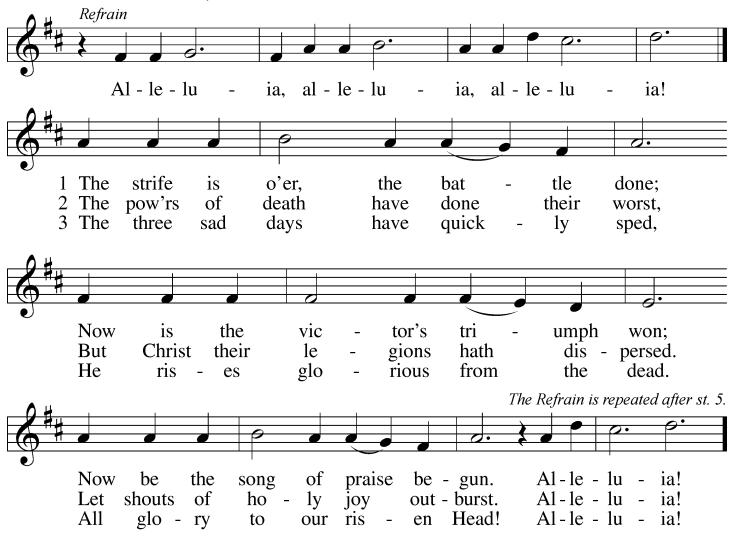




- He lives to silence all my fears;He lives to wipe away my tears;He lives to calm my troubled heart;He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- He lives and grants me daily breath;He lives, and I shall conquer death;He lives my mansion to prepare;He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name!
  He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
  Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
  I know that my Redeemer lives!

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### 464 THE STRIFE IS O'ER, THE BATTLE DONE



- 4 He broke the age-bound chains of hell;
  The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.
  Let hymns of praise His triumph tell.
  Alleluia!
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free That we may live and sing to Thee.

#### Alleluia! Refrain

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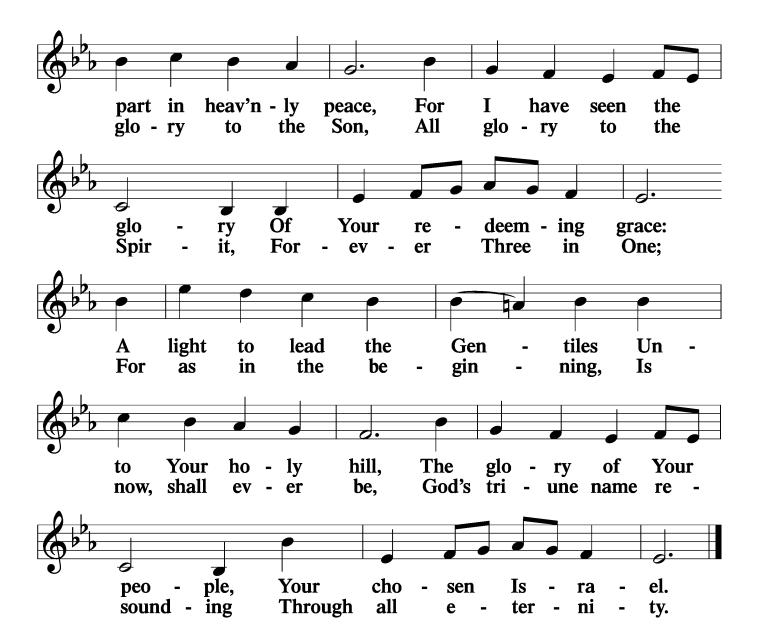


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## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** 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.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS LSB 212

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

#### **BENEDICTION**

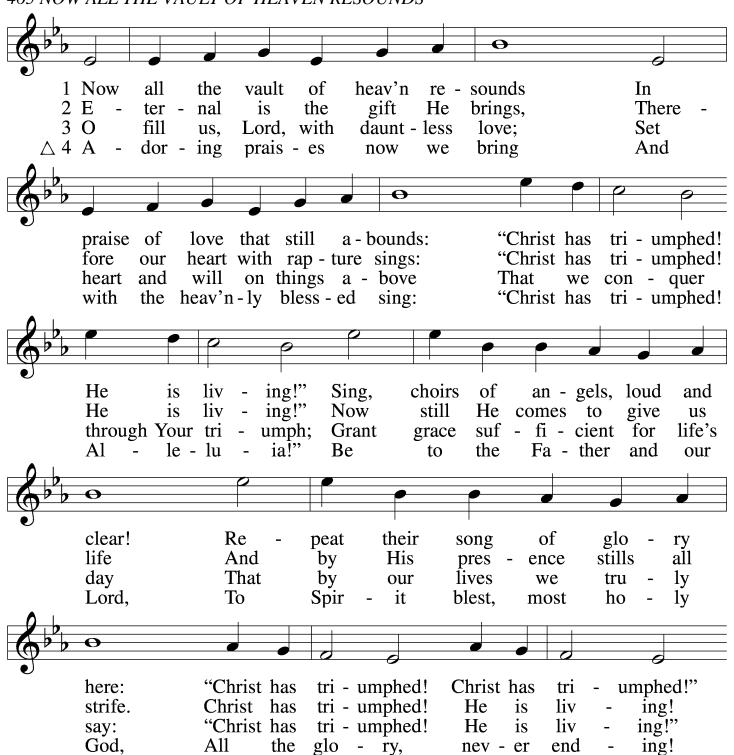
**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

#### 465 NOW ALL THE VAULT OF HEAVEN RESOUNDS





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Rev. Patrick Poock Organist: Lillian Boettcher

#### THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

## **Happy Birthday**

David Benson 22<sup>nd</sup> Crissia Reay 22<sup>nd</sup> Ed Shrader 25<sup>th</sup>

## **Happy Anniversary**

George & Carol Priest 23<sup>rd</sup> (59 yrs) Joe & Sally James 26<sup>th</sup> (16 yrs)

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

## Sunday, April 20th Easter Sunday

8:00 am Easter Sunrise Divine Service 9:15 am Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 am Easter Day Divine Service 11:30 am School Brunch

## Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

9:00 am Women of Faith 5:00 pm Divine Service 3:30 & 6:30 pm Bible Study

## Sunday, April 27th

9:15 am Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 am Divine Service 11:30 am Coffee Bites 12:15 pm Adult Catechism

## **Looking Ahead**

Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> Bible Study 3:30 & 6:30 pm
Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> Divine Service 5:00 pm