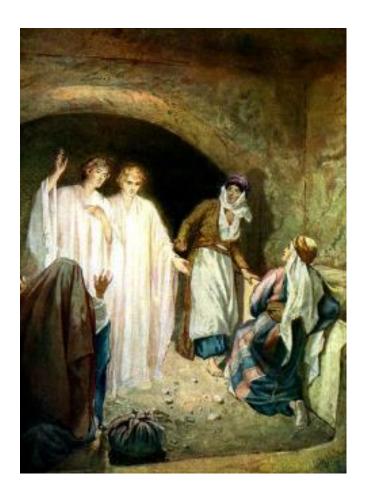
FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Resurrection of Our Lod April 20, 2025 Rev. Patrick Poock



Christ's Resurrection Is the Firstfruits of the New Creation

The Lord has promised to "create new heavens and a new earth" (Is. 65:17), in which His people shall abide in peace and joy. That new creation has begun in the bodily resurrection of Christ Jesus. All the baptized belong to that new creation. Reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, they are "the offspring of the blessed of the LORD" (Is. 65:23). The Lord rejoices and is glad in them; He hears and answers their prayers. For "if in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied" (1 Cor. 15:19). But Christ Jesus has been raised, "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Cor. 15:20). We may be "perplexed about this" (Luke 24:4), perhaps even frightened and brought to our knees, because it seems like an "idle tale" (Luke 24:11). But faith clings to the Word of Christ and finds His resurrected body — not in the tomb, but in His Holy Supper.

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!

463 CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY; ALLELUIA



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+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. \mathbf{P}
- \mathbf{C} Amen.

EXHORTATION LSB 203

 \mathbf{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.

Easter: 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



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa-ther's Son, we pray; 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 the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 65:17–25

and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create;

for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.

¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people;

no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days,

or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

- ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- ²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them.

- ²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

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

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 15:19–26

¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

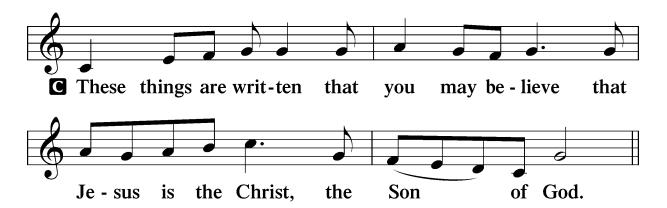
²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



VERSE LSB 205



ALLELUIA LSB 205



HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:1–12

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ²And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶He is not here,

but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁸And they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

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

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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 He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

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 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.

458 CHRIST JESUS LAY IN DEATH'S STRONG BANDS

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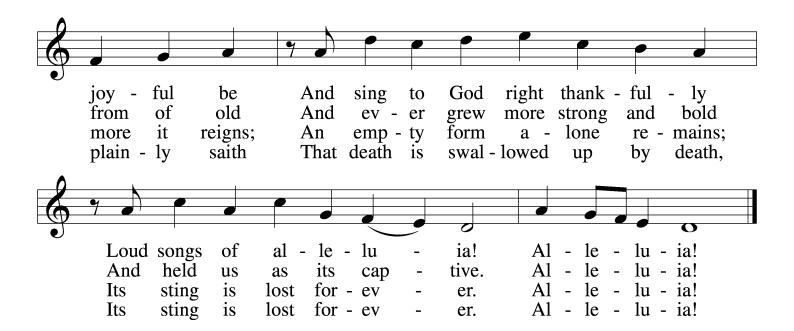


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- 5 Here our true Paschal Lamb we see, Whom God so freely gave us; He died on the accursed tree— So strong His love—to save us. See, His blood now marks our door; Faith points to it; death passes o'er, And Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia!
- To which the Lord invites us;
 Christ is Himself the joy of all,
 The sun that warms and lights us.
 Now His grace to us imparts
 Eternal sunshine to our hearts;
 The night of sin is ended.
 Alleluia!
- 7 Then let us feast this Easter Day
 On Christ, the bread of heaven;
 The Word of grace has purged away
 The old and evil leaven.
 Christ alone our souls will feed:

He is our meat and drink indeed;

Faith lives upon no other!

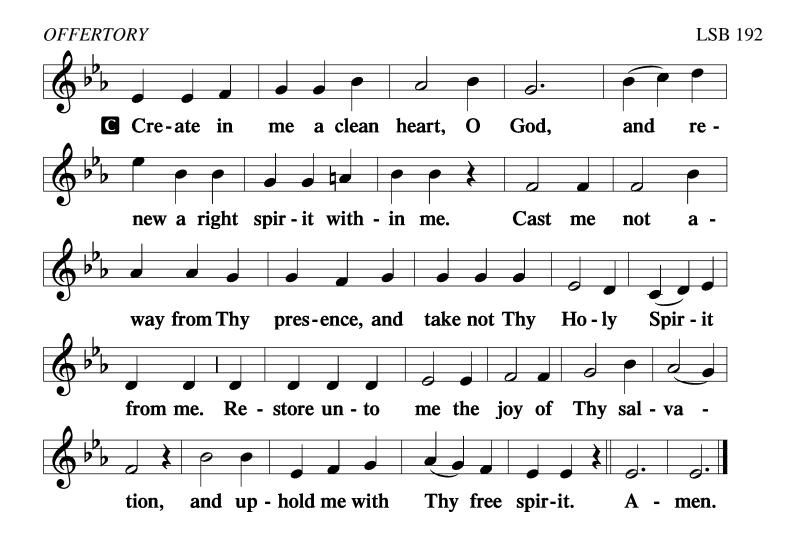
Alleluia!

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SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

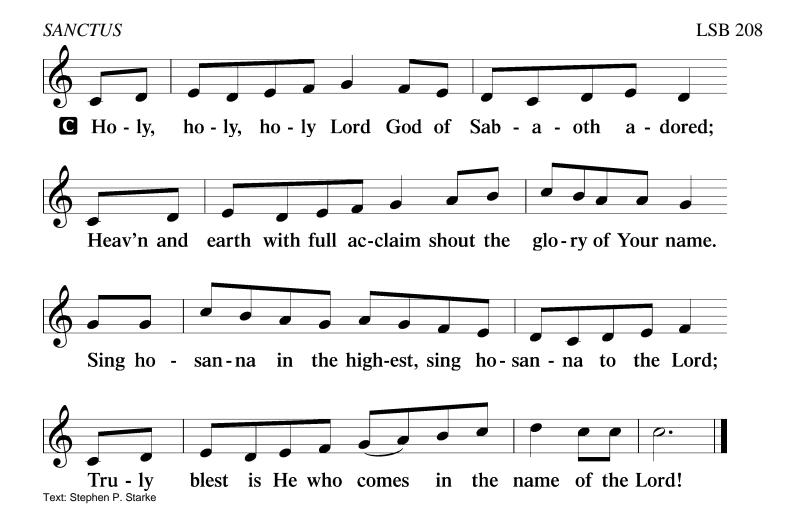
OFFERING



+ 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:



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

C 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."

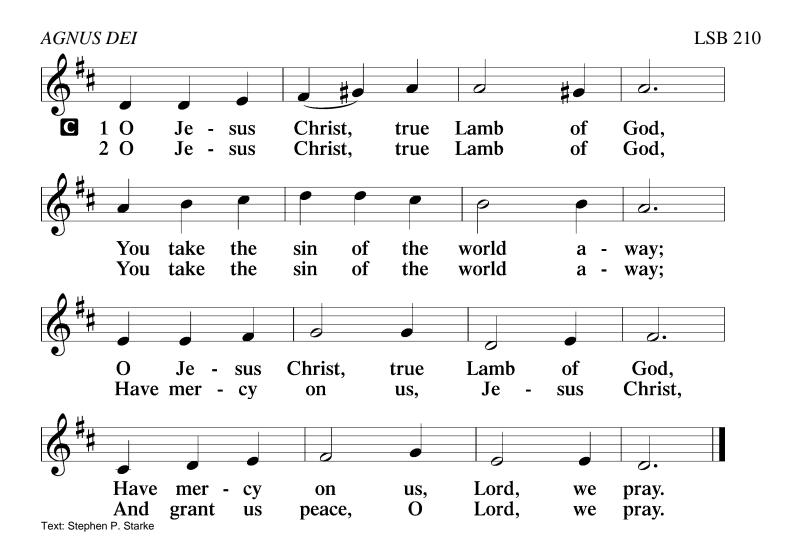
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My +

blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

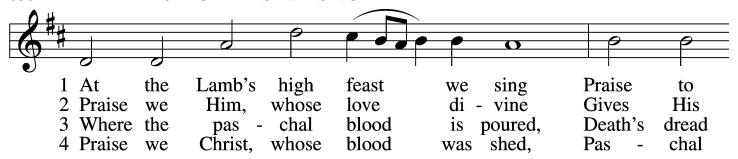
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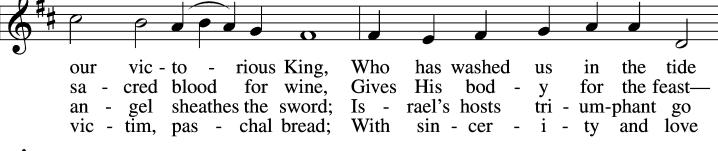
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

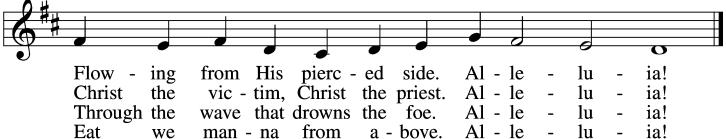
C Amen.



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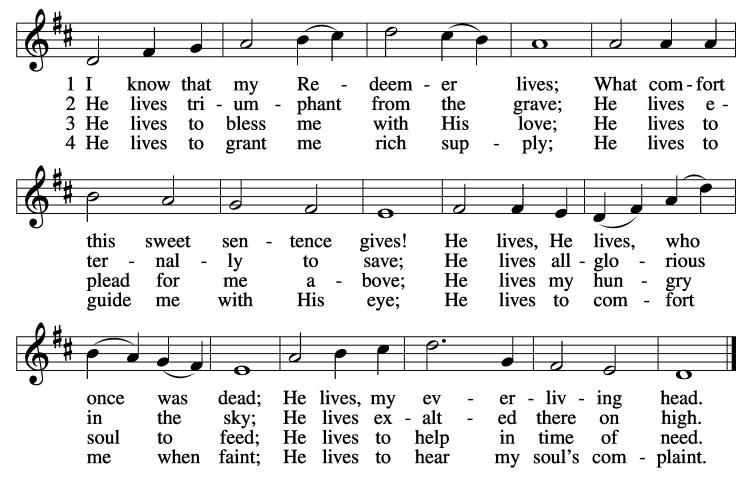


- Mighty Victim from the sky,
 Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
 You have conquered in the fight,
 You have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!
- Now no more can death appall,Now no more the grave enthrall;You have opened paradise,And Your saints in You shall rise.Alleluia!
- Easter triumph, Easter 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!

Text: Latin, c. 5th-10th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814-68, alt.

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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!

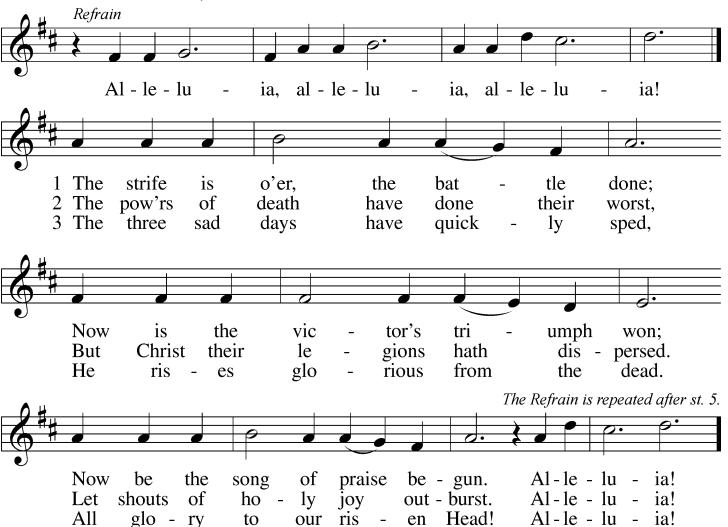
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;

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

Text: Symphonia Sirenum Selectarum, 1695, Köln; tr. Francis Pott, 1832-1909, alt.

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490 JESUS LIVES! THE VICTORY'S WON



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NUNC DIMITTIS LSB 211



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.

Amen.

BENEDICAMUS LSB 212

- \mathbf{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.

Amen.

475 GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE AND SING



- Now 1 Good Chris-tian friends, re-joice and sing! the tri - umph
- The Lord life ris'n Bring flow'rs of song of is this day; to
- 3 Praise we in of vic to - ry That love, that life which songs
- 4 Your name bless, 0 en Lord, to - day we ris And sing with



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Rev. Patrick Poock Organist: Lillian Boettcher

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

Happy Birthday

David Benson 22nd Crissia Reay 22nd Ed Shrader 25th

Happy Anniversary

George & Carol Priest 23rd (59 yrs) Joe & Sally James 26th (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 23rd

9:00 am Women of Faith5:00 pm Divine Service3:30 & 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 30th Bible Study 3:30 & 6:30 pm
Wednesday, April 30th Divine Service 5:00 pm

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