

Sunday, April 23rd, 2023 * 9 AM * INPERSON and ONLINE



3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Introduction

TODAY'S THEME: Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Print out your bulletin or use it on your phone or tablet to follow along. Announcements are televised or found on our website

Be creative how you worship and remember God during this time. It will calm your soul, give you peace and enliven your spirit.

Our community gathers in unity with others in-person and a virtual way.

We hope all people find it easy to follow along. <u>GOD GATHERS US</u> Announcements are found on our website

PRELUDE Crown Him Lord of All

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

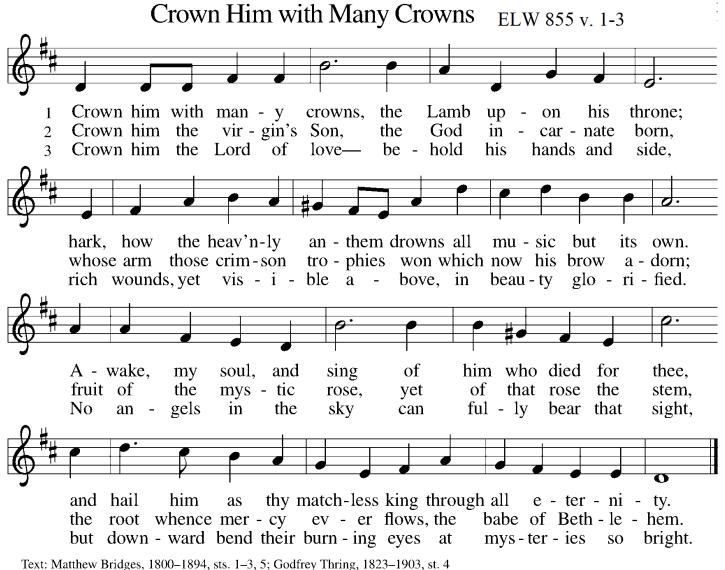
P: Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

C: Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

P: Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

C: Amen.

OPENING SONG: Crown Him with Many Crowns ELW 855 v.1-3/Red Book



Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

All: And also with you.

P: O God,

C: Your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING OF PEACE

P: God has received us, pardoned us and loved us; let us forgive each other in love and share the peace of Christ. Peace be with you.

C: And you also.

Share the peace with each other either by a wave or a bow.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING:

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Today's reading is the conclusion of Peter's sermon preached following the giving of the Holy Spirit to the apostles on the day of Pentecost. The center of his preaching is the bold declaration that God has made the crucified Jesus both Lord and Christ. ^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], ³⁶"Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" ³⁸Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." ⁴⁰And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

L: Word of God; Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.



Children's Message

(Please rise for the reading of the Gospel)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke All: Glory to you O Lord

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:13-35

The colorful story of Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus answers the question of how Jesus is to be recognized among us. Here, he is revealed through the scriptures and in the breaking of bread.

¹³Now on that same day [when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene,] two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." ²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

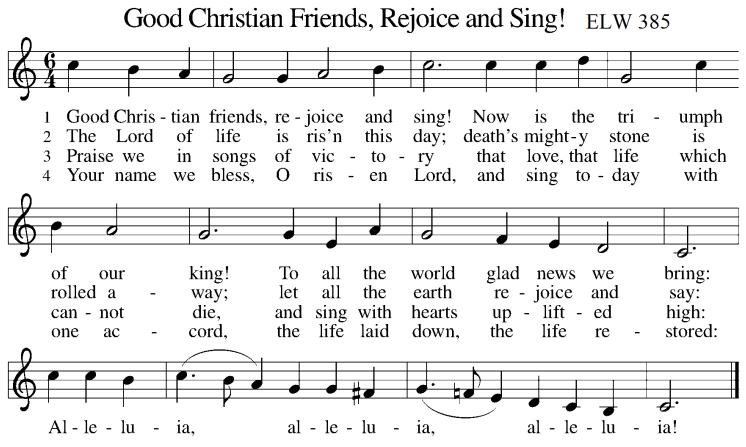
P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You O Christ!

MESSAGE FOR ALL

Pastor Jane

SONG OF DAY: Good Christian Friends Rejoice and Sing ELW 385/Red Book



Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.

Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpius, 1570-1615

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APOSTLES' CREED

P: 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 power of 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.

OFFERING IS WELCOMED

P: Generous God,

C: in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. All: Amen.

(An offering will be taken before the prayer.)

Offertory Music Grieg

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

See list of those Grace is currently praying for at end of this document or online. Please let us know your prayer needs.

Please respond accordingly



P: United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

P: Ever-present God, you make yourself known in the breaking of the bread and in the bonds of community. Reveal yourself to us in the faces of all we meet. Strengthened by your body and blood, let us boldly live out your good news. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: As we know you in the breaking of the bread, we know you in the grains of the field and the flowing waters. Care for the earth you lovingly create. Strengthen those who safeguard threatened land and water. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: You are the authority to whom we dedicate our lives. Help us keep the needs of those most vulnerable at the forefront of our community. Move us to care for any who are disregarded or oppressed. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Mothering God, you feed and comfort those who hunger. Open the hearts of those who horde resources and lead them to share your abundance. We pray for anyone hungering for your comforting presence this day (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: You pour out your love on those who are oppressed. Support and comfort anyone who is marginalized by gender or sexuality and those whose stories are not believed. Form this community to listen faithfully and speak honestly in our ministry together. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: We remember with thanksgiving all your beloved saints. As you have raised them to eternal life, abide with us in your promise of resurrection. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

P: Come and know Christ, Broken and poured out for you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them in the Spirit's love.

P: Let us give thanks to our Triune God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O God. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all who believe in Him should not perish. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his Holy Supper.

P: WORDS OF INSTITUTION

ALL: 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

P: These are the gifts of God for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God**

TAKE AND EAT OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Communion hymns:

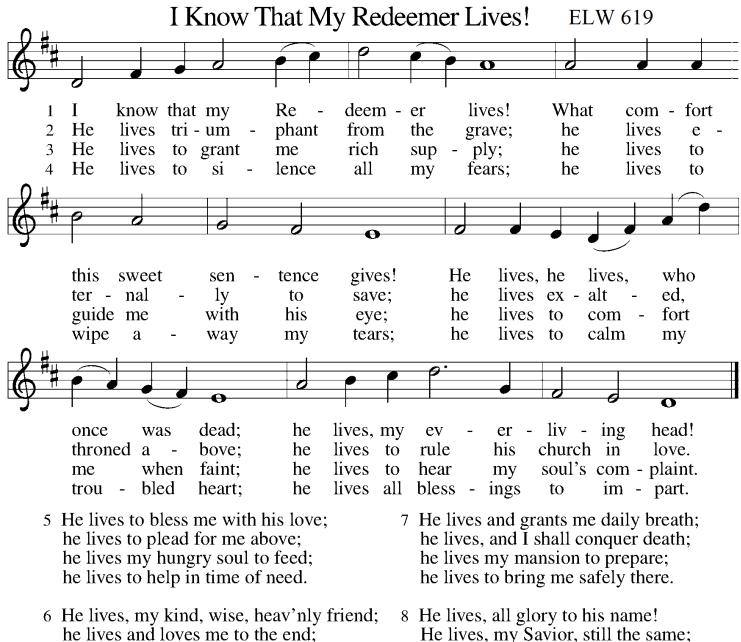
Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia	ELW 364
I Know that My Redeemer Lives	ELW 619
At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing	ELW 362

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia ELW 364 fu М _ _ ra hi ni, ha le lu ya, Christ has al le lu 1 а _ ris _ en, _ ia. For three 2 long days the grave did its worst 3 The an gel them, "Do said to not fear. 7 ko fu fu mbo zi а те ka. m Re - joice praise him, al le lu ia. and -_ God persed. un - til its strength by was dis _ You look for Je sus who here. is not -7 Α fu fu ka, ha le lu тe _ _ ya, _ deem burst from the tomb, For our re er He who gives life did death un der _ go, See for your _ selves the tomb is all bare. 0 0 fu i. si ni ha т sa sayи gloom. ling dis ven from death, pel its e -_ and his might did show. in its con quest there." On ly the grave clothes are ly ing -Refrain 0. Ти mbi kwa fu mwi _ е so _ te ra ha. Let sing praise him with end - less us to joy. Ø. Ye SUa me to ka ka bu ri ni. sting Death's fear - ful he has come to de stroy. 1 0 Ka shi _ nda ki fo, ha le lu ya;ing, Our sin for giv al _ le _ lu _ ia! 0 0 ha le _ lu _ ya, Ye _ รน yи ha _ i. liv le lu ia! Je sus is ing, al --_ 4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave. 5 Christ has arisen to set us free. He has arisen this world to save. Alleluia, to him praises be. Jesus is living! Let us all sing; Jesus' redeeming labors are done. he reigns triumphant, heavenly king. Even the battle with sin is won." Refrain Refrain

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Music: MFURAHINI, HALELUYA, Tanzanian traditional Text © 1968 Lutheran Theological College, Makumira, Tanzania, admin. Augsburg Fortress Tr. © 1977 Howard S. Olson, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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he lives, my prophet, priest, and king! Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–1799, alt. Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;

8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–1868, alt. Music: SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT, Bohemian Brethren, *Kirchengeseng*, 1566

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Gracious God,

C: in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. All: Amen.

ELW 855 v. 4&5 /Red Book

CLOSING SONG: Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown Him with Many Crowns ELW 855 vs 4&5 Crown him the Lord of life. who tri - umphed o'er the grave 4 Crown him the Lord of po - ten - tate 5 vears. the of time. vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to and rose save. tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub-lime. cre a -glo - ries who died and rose high, His now we sing, on Re - deem - er. hail! For thou hast died for All hail. me: who died. ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die. e thy praise glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty. and Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4 Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

GOD SENDS US

BLESSING

P: The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

All: Amen.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. All: Thanks be to God

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ADDITIONAL WEEKLY LECTIONARY LESSON

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 I will call on the name of the LORD. (*Ps. 116:13* 1 Peter 1:17-23 Eating with the risen Christ

4/23/23 ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP MASKING-Update There has been a slight increase in the area of Covid cases and in our congregation. We have been sitting at a social distance as we have felt comfortable in the sanctuary. We need to continue Masking at your comfort level.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE May 19th and 20th. Donations drop-offs - we will be accepting small boxes/bags of donations on Sundays - April 30, May 7 & 14 after church service. It would be so helpful if you would have your items separated (i.e., clothing, outdoor items, etc.). Larger items dropped off May 16, 17, 18 as there are still Scout meetings through May 15. Please do not leave your items in front of doors, walkways in the church, please do not block fire exits, nor blocking lawn mowers in garage. **Gentle reminder, please no older TVs , no TV cabinets or 'entertainment' cabinets. Items that are clean, vacuumed and in working order, with cords, accessories, etc. Ask yourself: "Would I buy this?" if

your answer is "no", we would sincerely appreciate you passing it on yourselves (we don't have the woman/manpower to go through boxes of clutter).

OUTDOOR WORSHIP in the Pavillion begins on June 11th.

ROADRUNERS TRIP September 18 – 23, 2023 to Niagara Falls

POOL TABLE for sale - \$50 donation – buyer needs to arrange to move it. Please see Tricia Painter if interested.

LINE DANCING continues every Thursday night in Fellowship Hall from 6pm to 7pm.

NOISY OFFERING We collect a Noisy Offering whenever you wish to empty your change purse or pockets! Our next project we are collecting for is sidewalk repairs (raising concrete) at the threshold walkway/entryway to church. Thank you for your support!

BRIDGE TO LIFE DONATIONS The Bridge to Life Group continues to collect donations for the Elgin homeless. For details see the News Letter or Cathy Whiteside. *Thank you for your generous donations!*

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for humanity Fund Raiser for Saint Charles house. Line dancing on April 29 6 to 9 PM at the Elburn field house, 801 East North St. in Elburn. Adults \$10, families \$20. Refreshments and raffle also.

PLEASE NOTE that Pastor will be out of the office from April 20th through May 6th. If you are in need of any help, please call Marty Bradley at 630-777-1074.

OFFERINGS & FAITHFUL GIVING FOR THE MINISTRIES AT GRACE

We are blessed & thankful for faithful giving for the ministries we share and support. Offerings collected for the past week = 4,385. Weekly donations needed to meet 2023 expenses = 3,500. ~ Blessings upon Grace as we carry on our ministry into its 129^{th} year ~

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH

- * God's Church in all time and place, that God be seen and heard.
- * As we face these times both together and while apart, keep us from fear, suffering and death.
- * Ministries of the ELCA and Metro Chicago Synod, especially Bishop Yehiel Curry.
- * Efforts of Lutheran World Relief, ELCA World Hunger, and Disaster Relief

FOR THE WORLD

- * For every living person facing the threat of coronavirus it affects us all, our loved ones and our worldwide neighbors together.
- * For the healing of the divisions in our Nation.

FOR OUR CONGREGATION

- * For God's Spirit to guide the Vision Team, and whole congregation as we face transition and change.
- * As we plan regarding the future of our congregation.

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY (members, relatives, and friends of members of our congregation)

- * Adam & Julia Sajdak, grandson & granddaughter in law of Bill and Lori U'Ren
- * Nathan Sajdak, grandson of Bill and Lori U'Ren
- * William Delmer, grandson of Kirk and Kathy Hooey
- * David Brazee, Grandson of Steve and Cathy Lindquist

(If you know of someone currently serving our country, please share their information with the Church office.)

FOR ALL

- * The continued support of our members
- * For all members of healthcare around the world
- * For those serving as first responders and in the military
- * For our Nation, that extend peace in all things.

FOR THOSE SICK IN BODY, MIND OR SPIRIT... Andrew Kinsel and his family in Ukraine, Fred Alstadt, Barb Asher, Vicki Barclay, Aina Baumanis, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Nelson Brodhead, Joanna Alverado/Klaus, Jim (brother of Rita Burnham), **Elaine Chaney (Twyla Strom's niece)**, the Chavez family and Joe, Juanita Curley, Jane Cutler, Ken Deutschmann, Alexa Diehl, Jack and Jan Docherty, Maggie Docherty, Rebecca Eagen, Joyce Helander and Jim Serafin, Howard (friend of Alexa Diehl), Rich Jackson, Manfred Kaufmann, Paul and Kay Kinsel, Marlene Klingner, Bob Koehling, Katie Kozeva, Pastor Dave and Carol Langseth, Ray Larsen, Gay Leslie (cousin of Kurt Redemann), **Vicki Linden,** Pat and Chili Lindgren, **Steve Lindquist**, Magdalena Lovejoy, Sherry Manke, Janelle McDonald, George and Eileen Morris, Joan Mortenson, Mike Myers, Ray Navarro, Ed Nordwind, Donald Overby, Pat Penfold, Carol Prevenas, Joan Rygula (sister of Lori U'Ren), Nancy and John Schaeffer, John Schnaitman, Kim Theros, Tia Thorne, Shirley Turner, Crystal Vines, **Pastor Arne Walker**, Kristy Weydert, Wayne Whiteside, Kelly Wilken (Missy Barton's sister), Catherine Zegial, and Barbara Zegiel.