



St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026

10:00 am



Entry into Worship

Hymn

Christ the Victorious, give to your servants

Hymnal, #358

✠ Opening Acclamation ✠

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

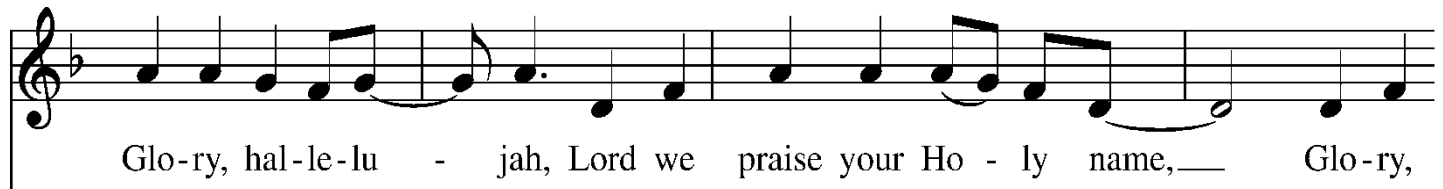
The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid.

*Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Gloria

LEVAS, #243



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, we

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Unison

3. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, Glo-ry,

Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, Glo-ry,

Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. 4. You

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us, 5. You are

seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a - lone_ are the Ho - ly One, You a - lone are_ the Lord,

Unison

7. You a - lone_ are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the

glo - ry of the Fa - ther. Glo - ry, Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we

praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo - ry, Glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we

Praise your Ho - ly name.

A - - - men.

Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949) from *Mass for Grace*. Copyright © 1992 Carl Haywood.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Children leave for Children's Chapel

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The Lessons

The Early Church

Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

- ¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.
- ² Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.
- ³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold;
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- ⁴ Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,
for you are my tower of strength.
- ⁵ Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me,
O LORD, O God of truth.
- ¹⁵ My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- ¹⁶ Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me.

New Testament

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like 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. For 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.”

To 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”, and
“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.

But 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.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people;
once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Hymn

Christ the Lord is risen again

Hymnal, #184

The Gospel

John 14:1-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I

do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon

Ern Warner

The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.*

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

*by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

*On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.*

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.



The Prayers of the People

As we give God thanks and praise in this season of Easter, we also lift high before God all for whom we pray. We raise our voices now to name aloud those people and places in

need of God's life-giving and strengthening grace.

[People speak the names of those they hold in prayer]

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises
given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

*To Christ Jesus be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. Amen.*

Concluding Collect

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

(Greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

Children return from Children's Chapel

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est.

The image shows a musical score for a vocal line. It consists of three staves of music in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -'. The third staff concludes the phrase with 'san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est.' The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, along with rests and slurs.

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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your

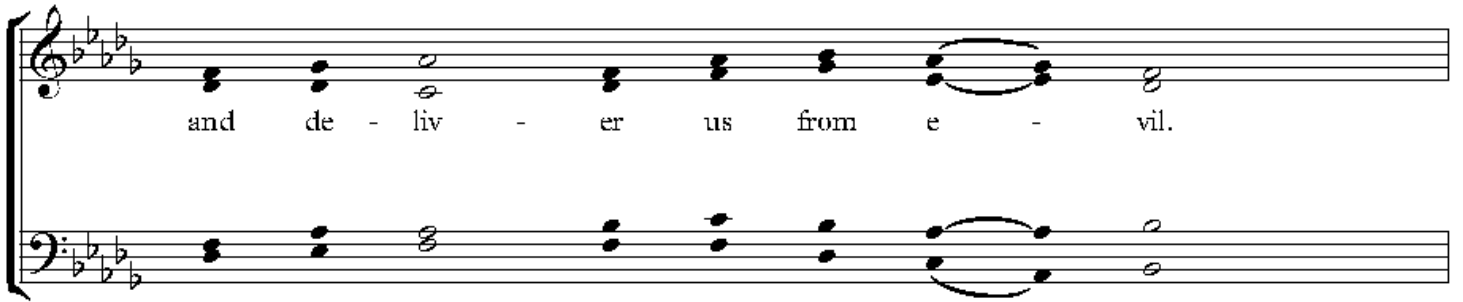
sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

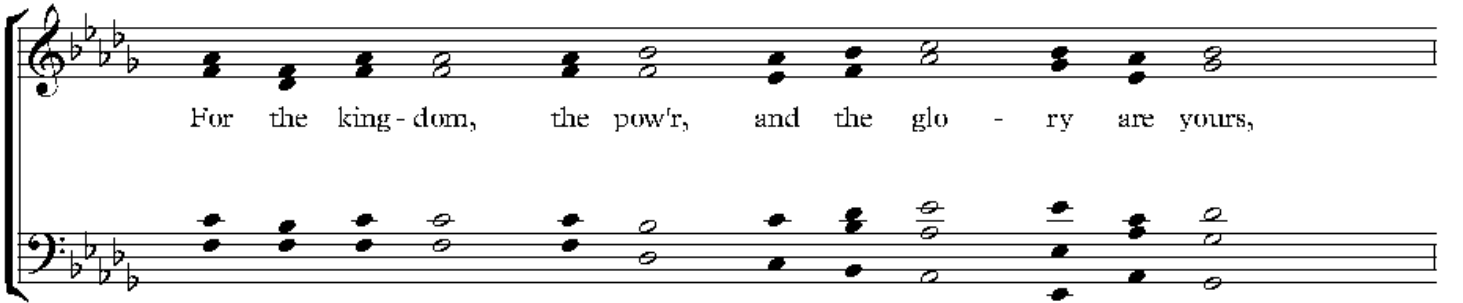


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

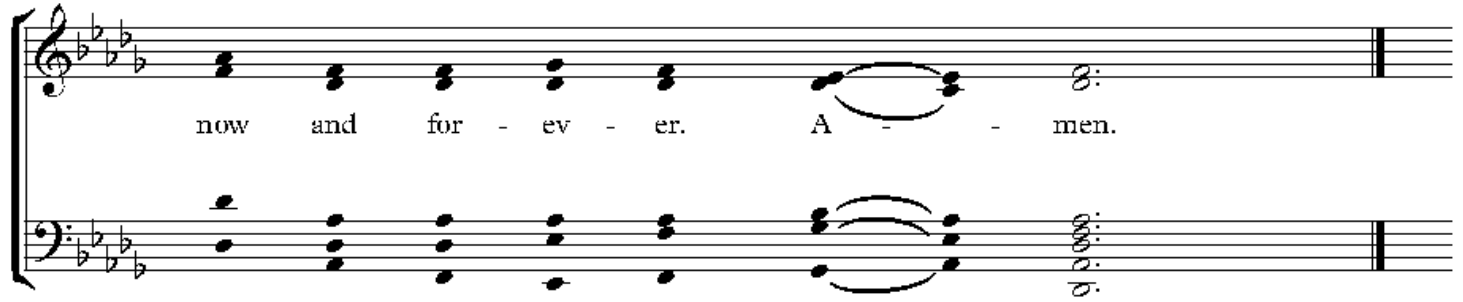
A musical score for the Lord's Prayer, consisting of five systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The lyrics are: "Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your Name, your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. And for - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,". The first system includes a triplet of eighth notes in the vocal line. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes.



and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours,

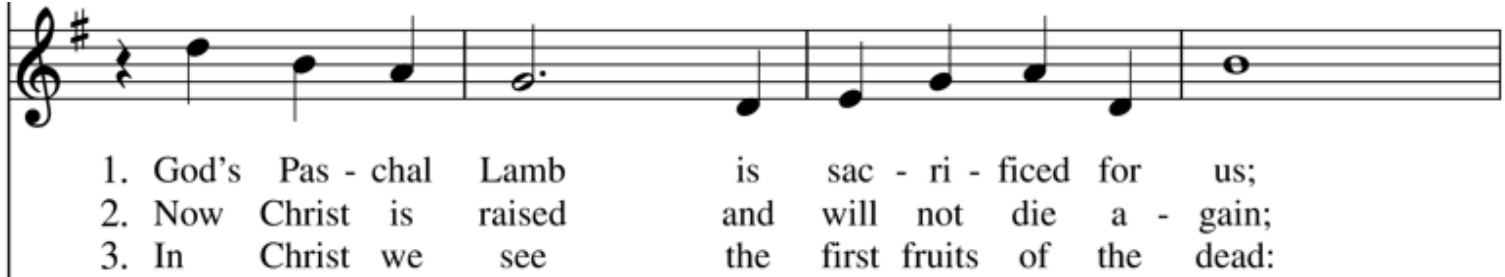


now and for - ev - er. A - men.

Dushe Moya Mass, David T. Gortner

The Breaking of the Bread

WLP, #880



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
 3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
 death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
 though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
 him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
 Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (B. 1944). Music: Sine Nomine, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); desc. Alec Wyton (b. 1921).

Communion

People present may receive. People joining online receive inwardly, continuing to pray.

Hymns during Communion

Congregation members are encouraged to sing with the choir while praying

Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

Hymnal, #327

Receive the body

Moscow Chant
 Arr. M. Fortounatto

Receivethe bo - dy of Christ taste the foun - - tain of im-mor-tal - i - - ty

Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer after Communion

*Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth into the world as a people forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*



Sending into the World

Hymn

Soon and very soon

LEVAS, #14

1. Soon and ver - y soon _ we are goin' to see the King, _
2. No more cry - in' there _ we are goin' to see the King, _
3. No more dy - in' there _ we are goin' to see the King, _
4. Soon and ver - y soon _ we are goin' to see the King: _

1. Soon and ver - y soon _ we are goin' to see the King, _
2. No more cry - in' there _ we are goin' to see the King, _
3. No more dy - in' there _ we are goin' to see the King, _
4. Soon and ver - y soon _ we are goin' to see the King, _

1. Soon and ver - y soon — we are goin' to see the King,
 2. No more cry - in' there — we are goin' to see the King,
 3. No more dy - in' there — we are goin' to see the King,
 4. Soon and ver - y soon — we are goin' to see the King,

— Hal-le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, — we're goin' to see the King!

1. 2. 3. 4.
 — Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu -

jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah.

Words: Andrae Crouch (b. 1942)
 Music: Andrae Crouch
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Blessing and Dismissal

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Liturgy is drawn from a combination of sources:
The Book of Common Prayer (Rite II); The Book of Occasional Services; Enriching Our Worship;
and adaptations to prayers made by the Rector of St. Luke's.*

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Serving Today

Preacher	Ern Warner
Readers	Tom Bacon and Judi Horton
Chalice/Cruet	Melinda Hennig, Kristin Keyes
Acolytes	Melinda Hennig, Wallace Van Houten
Ushers	Bill Landis, Rachel Karns
Altar Guild	Kate Dolan
Greeter	Kari Romeo
Children's Chapel	Michelle Johnson
Coffee Hour	Beverly and Ted Jordan

Clergy & Staff

The Rev. Dr. David Gortner	Rector
DeDe Pederson	Parish Administrator
Erica Waterman	Lay Minister, Christian Formation
Ty Peterson	Organist



Welcome to St. Luke's! We are so glad to have you join us in celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Easter is a season of wonder, joy, surprise, and gratitude for all God's goodness that makes life new.

We are a reconciling, affirming, inclusive Christian community that embraces all people in worship, love, and service.

God created you and treasures you.

Join us as we seek to follow Jesus, sharing, celebrating, and showing Christ's boundless love.

We seek to move deeper in faith, closer in bonds of love, and wider in our sharing of God's care in all our communities.



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