

Third Sunday of Easter Confirmation Sunday May 1, 2022 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

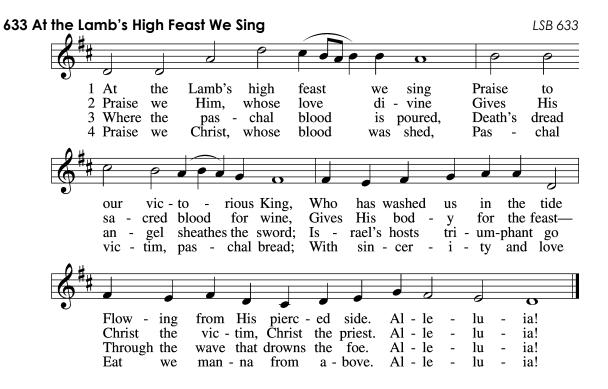


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As we gather, please take time to fill out the fellowship pad located near the center aisle in your pew. If you have any prayer requests, feel free to use a prayer request card from the pew rack in front of you, and place it in the offering plate after the sermon. (For those joining us online, please contact the church office.) We will include these requests in our prayers during worship, and share them with our prayer chain (if desired).

Welcome and Opening Prayer



- 5 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!
- 7 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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+ Confession and Absolution +

Confession, to confess to God our sins and sinful nature. Absolution, "To absolve of sin and wrongdoing," more specifically, to affirm God's forgiveness to all who sincerely confess their sins to Him.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the

 Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

Psalm 124:8: Psalm 130:3-4: Luke 18:13 203

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **©** But 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.

Absolution

[John 20:19–23] LSB 203

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 145:4–7, 9; antiphon: v. 10

- P All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
- and all your saints shall bless you!
- P One generation shall commend your works to another,
- and shall declare your mighty acts.
- P On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
- and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
- P They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
- **and I will declare your greatness.**
- P They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness
- and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
- **P** The LORD is good to all,
- and his mercy is over all that he has made. 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.
- P All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
- c and all your saints shall bless you!

Kyrie

Mark 10:47 204

A Greek phrase meaning, "Lord, have mercy!" A brief prayer not only imploring God's mercy but rejoicing in it through Jesus Christ.



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

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29 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

"Salutation" is a word from Latin meaning, "to salute" or "to greet." "Collect" (KAH-lekt), a brief structured prayer, usually consisting of five parts: address to God, basis for the prayer, petition, desired benefit or result, and trinitarian conclusion. The Collect of the Day also "collects" the message of the day's Gospel reading.

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



P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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First Reading Acts 9:1–22

A The Old Testament Reading is from Acts, chapter 9.

¹But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ¹The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. [®]Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." 11 And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, 12 and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." 13But Ananias answered. "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. 14And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." 15But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." 17So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laving his hands on him he said. "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized: ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

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

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

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Epistle Revelation 5:1–14

A The Epistle is from Revelation, chapter 5.

¹Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ²And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" ³And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ⁴and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. ⁵And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

⁶And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

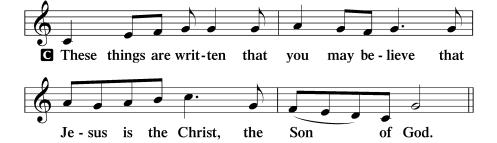
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- C Thanks be to God.

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Alleluia and Verse



Verse John 20:31 LSB 205



Alleluia 205



Holy Gospel John 21:1–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." ¹⁹(This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

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

Nicene Creed (8:00 only)

Creed comes from the Latin "credo" which means "I believe." We confess our Christian faith in one of the three creeds (short statement of belief) agreed upon by the ancient church.

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.

Children's Message

Matthew 19:14; Mark 13:13-15; Luke 18:16

Children are invited to join Amanda Adams, our Director of Christian Education, at the front of the sanctuary for the Children's Message.



Sermon

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For those joining us remotely, you may use the electronic giving methods listed above, or you may mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd, Topeka, KS 66611).

Confirmation (10:30 only)

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Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

At the end of each petition, the pastor will say, "Lord, in Your mercy," to which the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer."

- ...through Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 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.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

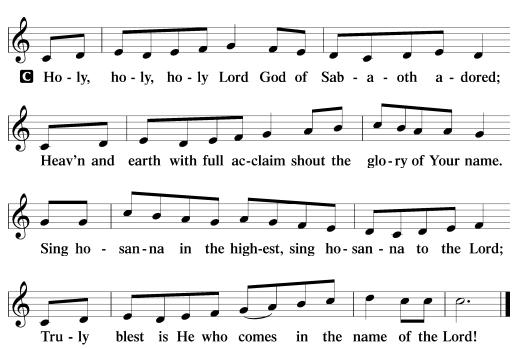


P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3: Matthew 21:9 208

(SAHNK-toose), "Sanctus" is Latin for "holy".





Prayer of Thanksgiving

P 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."

Pax Domini

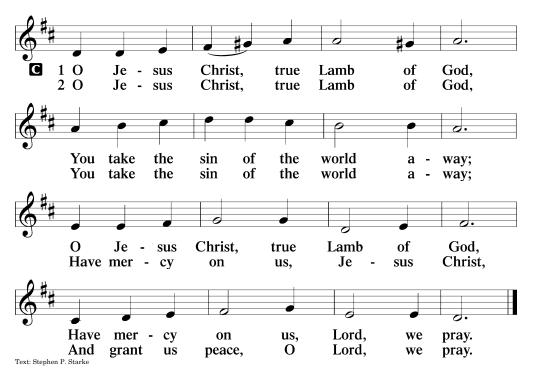
(PAKS DOH-mee-nee), Latin for "peace of the Lord" (John 20:19).

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

Agnus Dei

John 1:29 LSB 210

(AHG-noose DAY-ee). Latin for "Lamb of God."



Sit



Distribution

Communion is reserved for those who are members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or members of a church body in fellowship with the LCMS unless special arrangements have been made with the pastor. The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. Then they will distribute it to those who cannot come up to the altar rail due to physical ailments. Following that the ushers will dismiss the people from their pews to go to the altar rail. The congregation will be ushered down the middle aisle to go up to the rail and when dismissed from there will use the side aisle to return to their seats. All are invited up to receive a blessing.

Oceans (10:30 only)

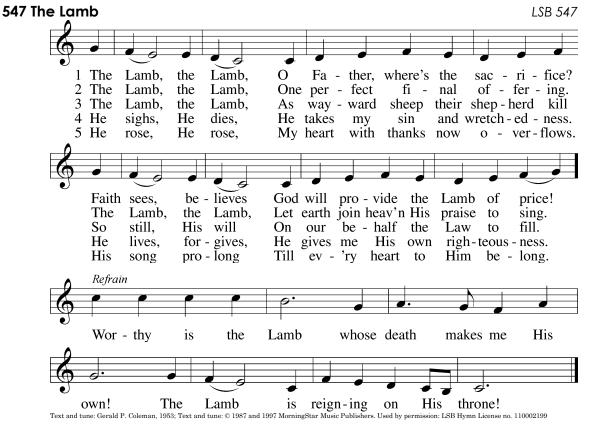
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Receive Our King (10:30 only)

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- 1 Crown Him with man y crowns, The Lamb up on His throne;
- 2 Crown Him the vir-gin's Son, The God in car nate born,
- 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be hold His hands and side, 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri-umphed o'er the grave
- 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n. En-throned in worlds a bove.



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own. Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn: Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri-fied. And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save. Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



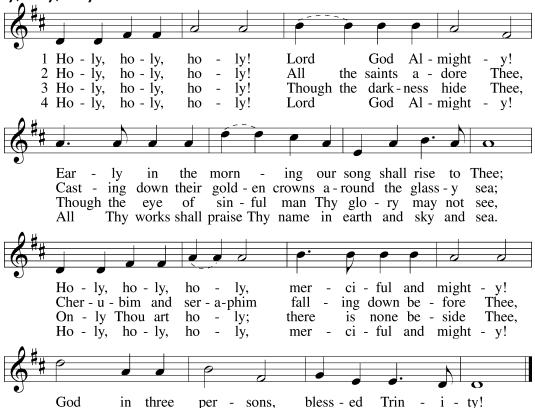
A - wake, my soul, and sing Fruit of the mys-tic rose, No an - gels in the sky His glo - ries now we sing, Crown Him with man - y crowns Of Him who died for thee, And Yet of that rose the stem, The Can ful - ly bear that sight, But Who died and rose on high, Who As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty. root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem. down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright. e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may died die. Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king all.

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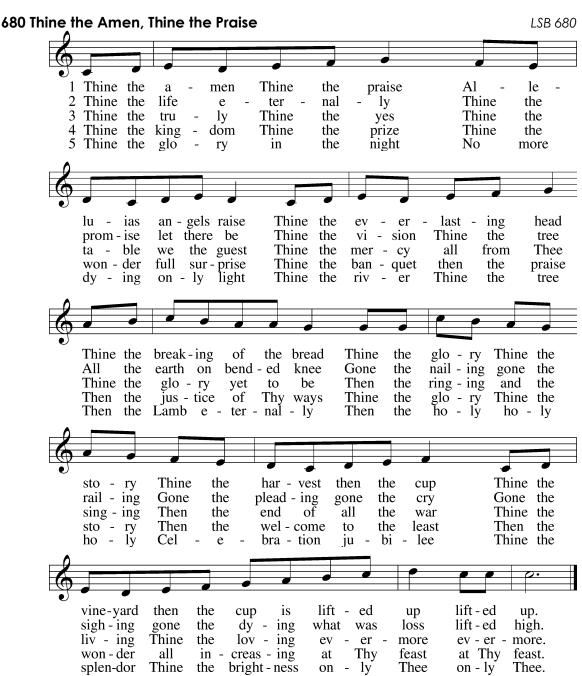
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Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32 LSB 211

(NUNK dih-MIH-tuss). Latin for "now [let your servant] depart," from the Song of Simeon.





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.

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benedicamus Psalm 103:1 LSB 212

(beh-neh-dih-KAH-moose), Latin for "bless we [the Lord]." We give thanks to God for everything He has done for us in Jesus Christ.

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

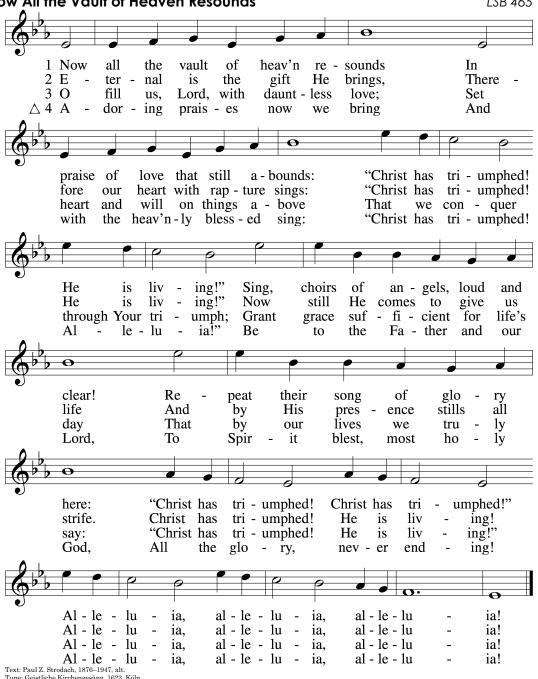
Benediction

A final blessing from God this morning before we leave.

- 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.

Sit



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Confirmed in Christ Parker A. (Matthew 5:16) Taylor S. (Isaiah 41:10)

5/1/22

-- Week at a Glance --

Sunday May1st	9:15 am 10:30 am	Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (children & adults) Confirmation Sunday Worship Service w/ Communion Reception for Confirmands in Coffee Lobby
Monday May 2 nd		
Tuesday May 3rd	6:30 pm	Spring Concert at TLS (Rescheduled from 4/26)
Wednesday May 4 th	5:30 pm	WWF
Thursday May 5th	2:00 pm	Chair Aerobics TLS Day of Prayer
Friday May 6 th		
Saturday May 7 th	10:00 am	Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
Sunday May 8th		Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (children & adults)
		Mother's Day

Celebrating

Birthdays: Jason K. (1st); Judy C. (2nd); Jaylee H. (4th); Haley C. (5th); Jon B. (6th)

Baptism Birthdays: Cassidy W. (3rd); Derek A., Eli M. (4th); Tava K. (6th); Blakely B. (7th);

Jerry M., Isaac R. (8th)

Anniversaries: Bob & Doris T. (5^{th}) ; Lewis & Jennifer B. (8^{th})

-- Announcements --

Adult Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Journey through Genesis with Pastor Ben – Schemm Family Life Center (Gym) God's Word for Today: Ephesians – Basement A Walk Through the Bible (Women's Group) – Pastor's Office

Children/Youth Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Children (Pre-K through 6^{th} grade) — Upstairs Education Wing Youth (7^{th} - 12^{th} grades) — Basement Youth Room

Pastor's Midweek Bible Study

The Book of Daniel – Thursdays at 7 PM – Basement (This group does not meet on the first Thursday of each month.)

Changes to Online Giving

We are beginning the process of switching our online giving platform from PushPay to Vanco. This is a very positive change for us because not only will it save the congregation money in processing fees, but it will also be easier for our staff, Financial Secretary, and Treasurer who log all of the information behind the scenes.

If you currently have a scheduled recurring gift, tithe, or offering through PushPay, please switch that to the Vanco platform by May 31st.

To make your donation through Vanco, please visit **bit.ly/GivingChristLCMS** or download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app and search for Christ Lutheran Church in Topeka, KS.

For more information about this change, please visit our website at **christlems.org/giving** or contact the church office.

Confirmation Sunday

Celebrate our confirmands with a brief reception in the coffee lobby following the conclusion of our 10:30 AM worship service this morning.

Class of 2022 - High School AND College

Calling all Christ families with high school and college seniors! Please submit names of students who will be graduating this year to the church office. We would like to recognize them and present them with a gift during worship on Sunday, May 15th.

Volunteers for Yard Work

Spring has sprung! If you are interested in helping out with tree-trimming, landscaping, or planting/caring for flower beds here at Christ, please contact the church office.

-- Announcements --

LWML Mite Box

It's the first Sunday of the month, which means it's Mite Box Sunday! Look for the LWML Mite Box at the back of the sanctuary following worship services. Following the example of the widow in the Gospel of Mark who gave her coins (mites) to the temple treasury, your pocket change can help serve through missions.

<u>Schaefer Scholarship – Donate Now!</u>

The Margaret Schaefer Scholarship was created to assist Christ Lutheran Church families who show a need and request additional support, beyond the annual budgeted TLS subsidy, in sending their child/children to Topeka Lutheran School. To donate to this scholarship fund, please specify "Schaefer Scholarship" on your envelope, check, or online gift.

Scholarship applications will be accepted on our website (christlcms.org/schaefer) through May 31, 2022.

Red Cross Blood Drive

You can donate blood right here at Christ on Friday, May 27th. To make your life-saving appointment call 800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: TopekaCLC).

Vacation Bible School

Join us the week of June 13th through 17th from 9 AM to noon. At Rainforest Explorers VBS, your children will look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and discover that Jesus leads the way to the treasure of eternal life with him! Registration is now open through our website (christlcms.org/vbs).

Deo Gloria Choir Concert

Cornerstone Family Schools presents Deo Gloria Choir Concert in the sanctuary at Calvary Lutheran Church, 4211 NW Topeka Blvd., Topeka, this coming Wednesday, May 4, at 7:00 PM. A free-will dinner will be served in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 PM. Join us for an evening of God's Word shared through beautiful music.

<u>Thank You</u>

A heartfelt THANK YOU to Pastor Ben, DCE Amanda, Elders, Church Council, and our congregation here at Christ for the flowers, gift card, and all of your kind words on Administrative Professionals Day! I am blessed to work in a place where I feel so appreciated and loved. – Mel Lang (Office Manager)

-- Announcements --

TLS Day of Prayer

Topeka Lutheran School's annual Day of Prayer will be held as a virtual event on Thursday, May 5th. To participate online, please go to TLS Facebook/Events/Day of Prayer and join us as we pray for our nation, for TLS and its continued ministry, and the TLS Association Churches (Christ, Faith, and St. John's Lutheran).

Pray for TLS

Take one of the purple paw print magnets from the back of the sanctuary. Whenever you see it, use it as a reminder to pray for Topeka Lutheran School!

Remembered in our Prayers

Charlie P., Alice M., Luke H., Don L., Jerry M., Jean (Pauline C.'s sister), Judy (Colleen B.'s neighbor), Noel (Colleen B.'s brother), Kathy (Brenda Z.'s sister-in-law), Shirley (Frank J.'s grandmother), Melanie (Sharon L.'s daughter), Ella (Marsha S.'s granddaughter), Lisa (Judy K.'s sister), Randy (Carol J.'s son), Vikki N., Matt N., Lynn M., Virginia C., Leonard (brother of Jeanette B.), Evelyn (mother of Sandy S.), Ted M., Carolyn S., Caleb (Dana N.'s nephew), Jen (Donna B.'s niece), Janene (Bessie T.'s cousin), Jeff (Bessie T.'s friend's brother), Glenna L., Craig (Larry R.'s brother), Barbara K., Dick H., and others named in your heart. Pray for the Topeka Rescue Mission, Chelsea Irwin and missionaries around the world. We pray especially for those around the world being persecuted for their faith in the one, true God and the suffering they endure. Please continue to pray for Pastor Ben, DCE Amanda, our staff and their families as they do our Lord's work here at Christ Lutheran. We pray for the staff and students of Topeka Lutheran School and the Center for Young Children. We also pray for those who serve in the armed forces, first responders, and for our country and government. Prayers of thanksgiving for our Lord and Savior and the new life we have in Him.



The Good Shepherd Feeds His Lambs

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain" (Rev. 5:12), who by His cross has conquered sin and death. With His blood, He has "ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation" (Rev. 5:9). This same Lord Jesus visits people of all nations and calls them to Himself by the Gospel, even as He "was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead" (John 21:14). He restored Simon Peter to faith and life, and He commissioned him to feed His lambs and tend His sheep (John 21:15–17). Likewise, He revealed Himself to Saul of Tarsus and brought him to repentance, so that the persecutor of Jesus might carry and confess His name "before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel" (Acts 9:15).

Worship Attendance - Sunday, April 24th

8:00 AM -- 77 10:30 AM -- 75

Stewardship Corner

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,337
Offerings Received – Week of 4/24	\$ 4,523
Budgeted Needs (Jan-Mar 2022)	\$ 108,384
Offerings Received (Jan-Mar 2022)	\$ 109,085

John 21:6 – "He said to them, 'Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish." Won't the disciples ever learn? Jesus did this once before – when the odds seemed completely against it, the Lord gave them a command to let down the nets, a command that seemed crazy. But they complied and He blessed their obedience. When will we learn this lesson, too?