

Traditional Eucharist

(Setting 3)

Deacon's Mass

Sunday, April 14, 2024

(Third Sunday after Easter - Year B)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE MUSIC

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin to live for you alone.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit
that we may confess our sin,
receive your forgiveness,
and grow into the fullness
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.
We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things we have done
and things we have failed to do.

Turn us again to you,
and uphold us by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy,
loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace we have been saved.
In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ,
our sins are forgiven.

May Almighty God strengthen us with power
through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.
Amen.

With High Delight Let Us Unite

- 1 With high delight let us unite
 in songs of sweet jubilation.
 You pure in heart, all bear your part,
 sing Jesus Christ, our salvation.
 To set us free forever, he
 is ris'n and sends to all earth's ends
 good news to save ev'ry nation.

- 2 True God, he first from death has burst
 forth into life, all subduing.
 His enemy now vanquished see;
 his death has been death's undoing.
 "And yours shall be like victory
 o'er death and grave," said he, who gave
 his life for us, life renewing.

- 3 Let praises ring; give thanks, and bring
 to Christ our Lord adoration.
 His honor speed by word and deed
 to ev'ry land, ev'ry nation.
 So shall his love give us above,
 from misery and death set free,
 all joy and full consolation.

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GREETING

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.


And also with you.

KYRIE

(Setting 3 / S 138)




In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.




For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



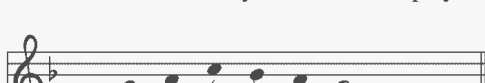
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



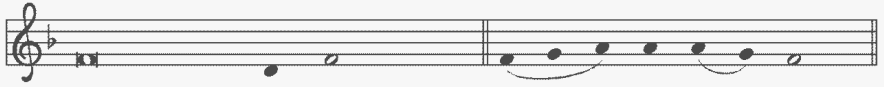
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

(Setting 3 / S 139)

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



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.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



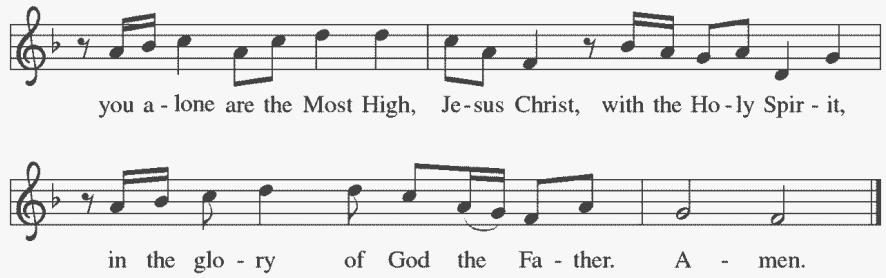
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



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



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

FIRST READING

Introduction: “A reading from Acts.”

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?¹³ The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the

dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

After the First Reading the following will be said:

Conclusion: “The word of the Lord.”

Response: (“Thanks be to God.”)

(ELW - Tone 7)

PSALM

(Choir verses in yellow highlight)

Psalm 4

(Psalm Tone: ELW - Tone 7 - 0 Flats)



**¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender | of my cause;
you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me
and | hear my prayer.**

²“You mortals, how long will you dishon- | or my glory;
how long will you love illusions and seek | after lies?”

**³Know that the LORD does wonders | for the faithful;
the LORD will hear me | when I call.**

⁴Tremble, then, and | do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence up- | on your bed.

**⁵Offer the appointed | sacrifices,
and put your trust | in the LORD.**

⁶Many are saying, “Who will show us | any good?”
Let the light of your face shine upon | us, O LORD.

**⁷You have put gladness | in my heart,
more than when grain and | wine abound.**

⁸In peace, I will lie | down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me | rest secure

SECOND READING

Introduction: “A reading from First John .”

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he

is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

After the Second Reading the following will be said:

Conclusion: “The word of the Lord.”

Response: (“Thanks be to God.”)

(Verses 1 and 2 for Easter)

Hail Thee, Festival Day!

Refrain

Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;

day when our Lord was raised, break-ing the king - dom of death.

Easter 1 All the fair beau - ty of earth from the

death of the win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - 'ry good

gift of the year now with its mas - ter re - turns: *Refrain*

Refrain

Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;

day when our Lord was raised, break-ing the king - dom of death.

life and cre - a - tion. Tread-ing the path - way of

death, new life you give to us all: *Refrain*

Refrain



Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;



day when our Lord was raised, break-ing the king - dom of death.

GOSPEL

Introduction: “The Holy Gospel According to Luke .”

Announcement Response: (“Glory to you, O Lord.”)

^{36b} Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

³⁷ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

⁴¹ While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴² They gave him a piece

of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴ Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.”

After the Gospel Reading the following will be said:

Conclusion: “The Gospel of the Lord.”

Concluding Response: (“Praise to you, O Christ.”)

SERMON

As We Gather at Your Table



1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
 2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
 3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
 send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
 where tri - umphant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
 Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;
 There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
 may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
 as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

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NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

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,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped
and glorified,
who 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.

PRAYERS AND SQUARES MINISTRY: QUILT MINISTRY:

NAME: _____

(Presented by Xxxxxxx Xxxxxxx)

(Sunday: 10x:x0 AM Liturgy)

Loving God, we thank you for the gifts you have given to our Prayers and Squares Ministry: the talent, the gifts of fabric, the time, the gifts we use to create these quilts that are given with love and prayer to those who are struggling. We ask that you continue to help those involved in this ministry to use these gifts to honor you.

We ask your blessing upon the recipient of this quilt, _____.
May this quilt wrap _____ with comfort and love.
This we pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's
creation.

We pray for those within the Trinity family who are sick,
hospitalized, or in special need, especially . . .

We pray for those who are serving in the armed forces, especially .

We pray for those outside the Trinity membership who are sick,
hospitalized, or in special need, especially . . .

A brief silence.

*(Intercessions to be edited and added from
Lutheran CORE website)*

Glory be to you, Lord Jesus Christ! By your Cross and precious
blood you have redeemed the whole world. Hosanna in the highest!
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You were called Son of David and Son of God by pilgrims in
Jerusalem. Let your Church add its voice to theirs, until all people
sing, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna
in the highest!" Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You were met by people crying "Hosanna," – Lord, save! Grant
your salvation to your followers who are persecuted for naming you
as Lord. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

You accepted the praises of the crowds who worshipped in
Jerusalem. Teach this congregation to gladly worship you, humbly
do your will, and lovingly serve our neighbor in your name. Lord, in
your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You were greeted with children's sweet Hosannas. We pray for our little ones, and for children throughout the world, that their mouths might be made perfect in praising your name. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You entered Jerusalem as the Prince of Peace. Fill our earthly leaders with a hunger for peace, a thirst for justice, and a love for the people entrusted to their care. Teach us all to do your will and to long for the day when you return in glory as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You entered Jerusalem on a donkey, not a war horse. Fill all places of violence with your peace. Protect and bless those who stand in harm's way. Bring them safely home to their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You were greeted with joy as you entered the Holy City. Fill with joy the hearts of all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit. Turn their sorrow into joy, and their cries for help into shouts of praise. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You open the gates of the New Jerusalem for all who die trusting in you. Thank you for receiving them into that glorious city. Bring peace and hope to all who grieve. Fill us with imperishable hope, so that we gladly follow where you lead us – until you lead us safely home. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.
Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Intercessions for the Ministries of the NALC

(Number 2)

We pray for our bishop, Dan (Selbo), for the staff of the North American Lutheran Church, for our Northeast Mission District, for our Atlantic Mission Region, for each of the congregations of the NALC, and especially today for Vinemont Community Lutheran Church in Reinholds, Pennsylvania.

We pray that embracing the Good News, we might together faithfully be a beacon light of the Gospel within our increasingly secular society. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

As the Trinity family continues to plan for pastoral transition, grant your wisdom to discern your will for our congregation. Open our hearts and minds to your will that in faith Trinity might follow where you lead us. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

Create in Me a Clean Heart
Offering Song



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

[EASTER]

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,

the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so,
[with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the
resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures, and]

with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

(Setting 31 / S 144b)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table:

Thanksgiving at the Table

(The Season of Easter)

Holy, living, and loving God,
we praise you for creating the
heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his
family through the waters of the flood,
for freeing your people Israel
from the bonds of slavery,
and for sending your Son to be our
Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus
who, living among us,
healed the sick,
fed the hungry,
and with a love stronger than death,
gave his life for others.

*In the night in which our Lord Jesus
was betrayed,
we recall how He took bread and wine
and promised his disciples that
they were about to receive
his very body and blood.*

*In like manner,
as we partake of these consecrated
elements of bread and wine,
we too are recipients of that
very same promise
of the forgiveness of our sins
and the promise of everlasting life.*

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving
death and glorious resurrection,
we await your promised life for all this
dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us
and on this bread and cup:
carry us in your arms from death to
life,
that we may live as your chosen
ones,
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all honor and glory is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

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.

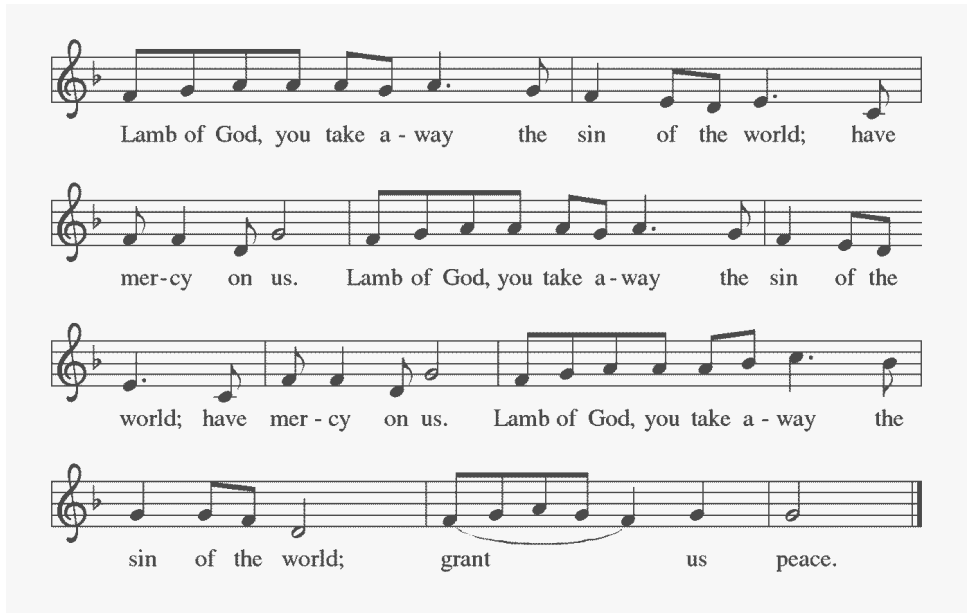
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us
in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION SONG

(Setting 3 / S 146)



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
Amen.

Depart in peace and the Lord go with you.
Amen.

BLESSING FOLLOWING THE DISTRIBUTION

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

SONG AFTER COMMUNION

(Setting 3 / S 204)

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

BLESSING

People of God,
we are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.
May the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
bless us now and forever.

Amen.

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
 teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
 gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in us.

Thanks be to God.